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ANNOUNCING THE 2020 DIGITAL OPERA SERIES

Comprised of five operas—including *The Shining*— the series will be available for listening online at mnopera.org/opera-series and three of the titles will be broadcast on Classical MPR.

MINNEAPOLIS (May 12, 2020) - Minnesota Opera is pleased to announce the 2020 Digital Opera Series in partnership with Classical Minnesota Public Radio. Including radio broadcasts and ondemand audio streams, the series begins May 14 and a new title is released weekly through June 11.

The series beings on May 14 with Wagner's *Das Rheingold*, Minnesota Opera's first presentation of one of the titles of *The Ring Cycle*. May 21, the series continues with the smash-hit production of composer Paul Moravec and librettist Mark Campbell's *The Shining*, a Minnesota Opera original based on the famous horror novel by Stephen King. Massenet's gorgeous *Thais* is released May 28, Minnesota Opera's world premiere of *The Fix* is released June 4 and the final title, Mozart's popular opera *The Marriage of Figaro*, is released June 11.

The on-demand, full-length audio of the five operas that comprise the series will be available for 45-days each at mnopera.org/opera-series as titles are released. In addition, listeners can tune in to on-air broadcasts of *Das Rheingold* (Thursday, May 14 at 7 p.m.), *Thaïs* (Thursday, May 28 at 7 p.m.) and *The Marriage of Figaro* (Thursday, June 11 at 7 p.m.) at Classical MPR or listen online at classicalmpr.org.

Broadcast & Streaming Schedule

WAGNER'S DAS RHEINGOLD

The epic Ring Cycle's prologue's first-ever performance at Minnesota Opera.

Thursday, May 14 at 7pm - Classical MPR Broadcast Thursday, May 14-Sunday, June 28 - Available for Streaming Online

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THE SHINING

Music by Paul Moravec Libretto by Mark Campbell



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Based on the novel by Stephen King

The critically acclaimed Minnesota original inspired by Stephen King's best-selling novel.

Thursday, May 21-Sunday, July 5 - Available for Streaming Online

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MASSENET'S THAÏS

A sensual and melodic creation that explores the passion of the flesh and salvation of the soul.

Thursday, May 28 at 7pm - Classical MPR Broadcast Thursday, May 28-Sunday, July 12 - Available for Streaming Online

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THE FIX

Music by Joel Puckett Libretto by Eric Simonson

A tale of epic proportions set against the backdrop of America's favorite pastime.

Thursday, June 4-Friday, July 19 - Available for Streaming Online

View full production details.

MOZART'S THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO

All is fair in love and war in this infectious rendition of Mozart's timeless comedy of errors.

Thursday, June 11 at 7pm - Classical MPR Broadcast Thursday, July 11-Sunday, July 26 - Available for Streaming Online

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