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MINNESOTA OPERA CELEBRATES SIX DECADES WITH RELEASE OF COMMEMORATIVE BOOK

The MN Opera at Sixty offers a look back on more than six decades of musicmaking in the Twin Cities

MINNEAPOLIS (April 3, 2025) – Minnesota Opera is proud to announce the release of *The MN Opera at Sixty: The Unlikely Rise of America's Most Surprising Opera Company*, a commemorative book by veteran music critic **Michael Anthony** and published by Wise Ink.

Several years in the making, *The MN Opera at 60* presents a striking visual and narrative journey through MN Opera's first six decades. Featuring interviews with dozens of current and former staff, board members, and supporters—as well as production photography from generations of MN Opera productions—the book captures the company's artistic evolution and its transformative impact on the Twin Cities cultural landscape. The project was made possible through the generous support of **Lucy Rosenberry Jones**.

"Minnesota Opera's story is one of bold ideas, visionary artists, and a community that has supported innovation from the very beginning," says Ryan Taylor, President and General Director. "We are deeply grateful to Michael Anthony for documenting this journey with such care and insight, and to Lucy Rosenberry Jones for her generosity and commitment to preserving the impact this company has had on the Twin Cities and beyond.

More information about The MN Opera at Sixty is available here.

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