

Opera in a Day

*Discover what goes
in to making an opera*



Overview

Opera in a Day is a practical workshop that invites students to discover how opera is created by trying it for themselves. Through hands on activities led by Opera Australia artists, students explore singing and staging, costume, stage and set design, and the behind-the-scenes work of opera making, culminating in a short performance for teachers and staff at the end of the day.

Opera in a Day runs as half day incursion or full day excursion at The Opera Centre, Surry Hills.

“My son came to opera in a day and when he came home so excited it gave him the confidence to audition for the school musical.”

– Matthew’s mum yr 5 - Nth Strathfield

Opera in a Day - at The Opera Centre

Full Day Excursion



What Students Will Do:

- Learn and stage a song (aria or chorus) from an opera
- Explore character, movement and storytelling through music
- Try on costumes from Opera Australia productions
- Design and build a miniature set box
- Take a guided backstage tour of costume and scenery construction
- Perform their work in an informal presentation for teachers and staff

Learning Focus:

- Understand what an opera is and how it's unique
- Understand how music, drama and design work together to make an opera
- Experience some of the process of making and performing opera
- Collaborate to create their own concept for an opera

What's Included:

- Led by professional Opera Australia artists
- A complete opera experience from rehearsal to performance

DURATION:

Full day Excursion

Arrive 9.45 and depart 2pm

SUITABLE FOR:

Year 3 - 6 primary and secondary students

GROUP SIZE:

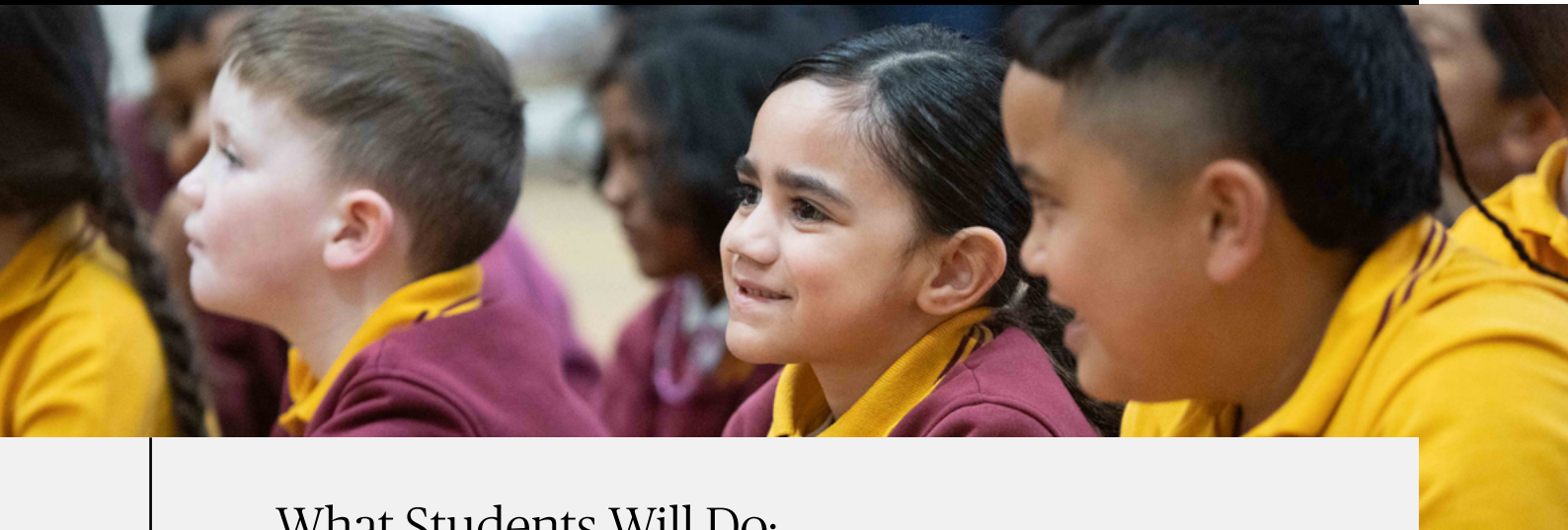
Typically 20-40 students

LOCATION:

The Opera Centre,
Surry Hills

Opera in a Day - at your school

Half Day Incursion



What Students Will Do:

- Learn and stage a song (aria or chorus) from an opera
- Explore character, movement and storytelling through music
- Understand what an opera is and how it's unique
- Try on costumes from Opera Australia productions
- Perform in a short show for teachers and students

Learning Focus:

- Collaboration, creativity and confidence building
- Understand how music, drama and design work together to make an opera
- Experience some of the process of making and performing opera

What's Included:

- Led by professional Opera Australia artists
- A complete opera experience from rehearsal to performance

DURATION:

90mins to 2 hrs

SUITABLE FOR:

Years K-6

GROUP SIZE:

Typically 20-40
students per workshop
(nb multiple workshops
can be held at your
school across a day)

LOCATION:

At your school hall
or large classroom

Contact our Education team to find out more and
book an Opera in a Day workshop for your students

Email: education@opera.org.au | Website: opera.org.au/education