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## "Don Giovanni" Opens Michigan Opera Theatre's 2019-20 Opera Season

*Oct. 19-27 at the Detroit Opera House*

**DETROIT, Oct. 7, 2019** - Michigan Opera Theatre's (MOT) 2019-20 opera season opens Oct. 19 with Mozart's "Don Giovanni." The classic work features lavish period costumes and sets, designed by director John Pascoe.

Set in 18<sup>th</sup>-century Spain, the opera follows the philandering titular character on his relentless pursuit of women. When an attempted conquest ends in murder, Giovanni receives a ghostly visitor who delivers retribution.

"Mozart's take on the Don Juan legend has withstood the test of time, exploring the best and worst of human nature," said MOT President and CEO Wayne S. Brown. "With dramatic costumes, exquisite music and dark humor, 'Don Giovanni' is considered among the best operas of all time."

The opera features Daniel Okulitch in the title role, Ellie Dehn as Donna Anna, Nicole Cabell as Donna Elvira and Matthew Burns as Leporello and is conducted by Christopher Allen.

It is sung in Italian with English supertitles. MOT will offer a free opera talk on hour before the performance.

This production is made possible by 2019 Fall Opera Season Sponsor, Ford Motor Company.

Ticket prices range from \$39 to \$160. Tickets may be purchased online at [www.MichiganOpera.org](http://www.MichiganOpera.org), by calling (313) 237-7464 or in person at the Detroit Opera House (1526 Broadway, Detroit).

For full casting and additional information visit <https://michiganopera.org/season-schedule/don-giovanni/>.

## **"Don Giovanni"**

Music by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, libretto by Lorenzo Da Ponte

Performed at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit

Saturday, Oct. 19, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 23, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 25, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 27, 2:30 p.m.

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## **About Michigan Opera Theatre**

Michigan Opera Theatre, one of the nation's most vibrant nonprofit arts organizations, is committed to presenting opera and dance of the highest artistic caliber. Founded in 1971 by Dr. David DiChiera, the company's mission is to serve as a major cultural resource to the state of Michigan and the city of Detroit. The organization is led by President and CEO Wayne S. Brown and Chairman of the Board R. Jamison Williams. Visit the website at [www.michiganopera.org](http://www.michiganopera.org).