

KANSAS CITY
LYRIC OPERA GUILD

Roberto Alagna 🎵 Elina Garanča 🎵 Jonas Kaufmann
New York in October with the Lyric Opera Guild!

October 16-19, 2018
Reservation deadline: July 1, 2018

October is a great time to be in New York, and why not take advantage of some terrific music performances while you are there? The Guild has chosen a great schedule for our trip to New York this fall.

We plan to enjoy the Metropolitan Opera's new production of Saint-Saëns' romantic opera *Samson et Delilah* with



Roberto Alagna and Elina Garanča sing the title roles in Camille Saint-Saëns' opera Samson et Delilah at the Met.

two great stars, **Roberto Alagna** and **Elina Garanča**. There should be vocal fireworks aplenty.

We also will see Puccini's *La Fanciulla del West* (*Girl of the Golden West*) with stars **Eva Marie Westbroek** and **Jonas Kaufmann**. The great German tenor rarely appears in the United States, as he devotes almost all of his career to Europe. But



Eva Marie Westbroek and Jonas Kaufmann perform in Puccini's La Fanciulla del West.

this is your chance to catch him here on American soil. If you prefer, we have two other options that night: a **New York Philharmonic concert** with the great violinist **Joshua Bell**, or a Broad-



way play (to be selected).

The trip also includes the Met's spectacular production of Verdi's grandest opera, *Aida*, starring **Tamara Wilson**, **Anita**

Rachvelishvili and **Aleksandrs Antonenko**.

Plus, you get lots of free time to explore New York or engage in some early holiday shopping!

Here is our itinerary:

Tuesday, October 16. We travel to New York and transfer to the **Empire Hotel**, located just across the street from the Metropolitan Opera. That evening we will stroll to the New York Metropolitan Opera for the company's new production of Saint-Saëns' classic opera *Samson et Delilah* starring the great tenor **Roberto Alagna**, along with mezzo **Elina Garanča**, one of today's leading performers.

Wednesday, October 17. The day is free for you to enjoy the sights of New York. That evening we will enjoy a group dinner at Gabriel's, our favorite Lincoln Center-area restaurant, and then see Puccini's *La Fanciulla del West* at the Metro-

RESERVATIONS - New York Trip - October 2018 (please print legibly)



Full Names (as on driver's licenses): _____

Date(s) of birth (required by the airline): _____

Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____ E-mail address: _____

On Wednesday evening do you choose [check one] the Metropolitan Opera performance of *La Fanciulla del West*, or New York Philharmonic concert with Joshua Bell or a Broadway play (to be determined).

[check one] Single Room Double Room, sharing with _____

Any special dietary restrictions? _____

To reserve your spot on this trip, please send this form and a deposit of **\$1,000 per person by July 1, 2018**. The remainder of your payment will be due on **September 1, 2018**. Please make your check payable to **Lyric Opera Guild Trips** and mail it to Bob Wise, 10615 West 97th Street, Overland Park KS 66214. If you wish to make your own air arrangements, let us know and deduct the air fare cost from your final payment (see trip cost summary on reverse side).

politan Opera featuring the outstanding dramatic soprano **Eva Marie Westbroek** in the title role, with ringing tenor **Jonas Kaufmann** in one of his few appearances in this country. Many consider Kaufmann to be the leading tenor on today's opera stage. If you prefer, we will substitute a **New York Philharmonic** concert with the famed violinist **Joshua Bell** playing John Corigliano's violin concerto *The Red Violin*, which he composed for the movie of the same name several years ago (on which Bell played for the soundtrack). Another alternative for that evening is a **Broadway** show of your choice, which you can select at the time we order the tickets. If there is a difference in ticket prices, we will make the appropriate adjustment.



Joshua Bell appears in concert with the New York Philharmonic.

Thursday, October 18. After another day on your own in New York, we will have a reception at the Phillips Club near the Metropolitan Opera House (there will be plenty of food to make it your dinner), then attend Verdi's great grand opera *Aida* at the Met, featuring **Tamara Wilson** in the title role, along with **Anita Rachvelishvili** as Amneris with **Aleksandrs Antonenko** as Radames.

Friday, October 19. Today is our return trip to Kansas City, with the sights and sounds of these outstanding performances in our memories.

If you have any questions please call our tour guide, Bob Wise at 816-392-8619, or e-mail him at jrwise60@hotmail.com. Thanks!

Cancellation Policy

Your deposit and reservation constitute a contract for you to go on this trip. Upon receiving your deposit we will expend substantial sums to pay for your costs of this trip. If you must cancel, you will still owe the balance of the trip charge, but we will return whatever portion of your trip costs we are able to recover. We strongly recommend trip cancellation insurance to protect your investment in this trip. Please call your travel agent or check with trip insurance providers online.

Tour Cost:

Land Arrangements	\$1,700
Airfare from and to Kansas City	\$360
Total	\$2,060
Added single supplement (if you want a single room at the hotel).....	\$435

Scene from the Metropolitan Opera's spectacular production of Verdi's *Aida*.



Change Policy

We are happy to accommodate any changes you want to make for this trip, but all change requests must be made in writing at the time of the reservation and are subject to availability and price adjustments. The tour leader must acknowledge all changes in writing for the requested changes to be confirmed.

This trip includes:

- ♪ Round trip air fare between Kansas City and New York.
- ♪ Bus transportation to and from the airport and the Empire Hotel.
- ♪ Accommodations at the Empire Hotel for three nights.
- ♪ Orchestra section seats to *Samson et Delilah*, *La Fanciulla del West* (or the New York Philharmonic or a Broadway play, if you so choose) and *Aida*. All operas are at the Metropolitan Opera. As always, you can drop a performance or substitute another available performance if you like; just let us know.
- ♪ Group meal at Gabriel's Restaurant and a private reception at the nearby Phillips Club.
- ♪ All baggage and portorage fees, except for any baggage fees the airline charges, which you must pay on your own.
- ♪ Tax deductible contribution to the Kansas City Lyric Opera Guild, the exact amount of which will be calculated at the conclusion of the trip when we have reconciled all trip costs.