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Intimate and Immersive Dracula Takes Over CityArts this October

ORLANDO – (September 6, 2023) The lush melodies of Frank Wilhorn underscore Bram Stoker's literary masterwork in Opera del Sol's production of *Dracula, the Musical* coming to downtown Orlando this October.

Best known as the composer of hit Broadway shows *Jekyll & Hyde, Wonderland,* and *The Civil War,* Wildhorn's *Dracula* brings the centuries-old vampire to London. But rather than the story of a one-dimensional monster driven purely by hunger, Wildhorn presents a thrilling and seductive drama of dreamlike temptation. Returning to Opera del Sol's roots, this production will break from a theatrical venue, opting instead for the non-traditional space in CityArts gallery. This immersive experience will explore the audience's deepest fears and darkest desires, while questioning reality itself.

Stage Director Theresa Smith-Levin will lead a deliciously talented cast alongside Music Director Bert Rodriguez and Producer Danielle Ziss. David Bracamonte, most recently seen in the role of Count Carl Magnus in CFVA's production of *A Little Night Music*, returns to the stage in the title role, alongside veteran company talent including Kit Cleto as Jonathan Harker and Sean Powell as Quincey Morris. Angela Tims as Mina Murray and Kayla Kelsay Morales will be making their company debut among other beloved local talent. This extraordinary cast will be enhanced by immersive projections, live percussive elements and original video elements

This season's offerings are presented under the banner "Where The Voice Takes Center Stage." This tagline is meant to shine a spotlight on what Central Florida Vocal Arts and Opera del Sol do best - offer compelling vocal performances that inspire audiences.

Due to the unique venue, this intimate performance can only accommodate 90 patrons per performance. With a limited six performance run, this production is expected to sell out quickly as have the company's last two productions of *A Little Night Music* and *The Secret Garden*.

WHAT Opera del Sol presents *Dracula, the Musical*

WHEN Select evenings Friday, October 20th through Sunday, October 29th at 8:00 PM

WHERE CityArts Gallery - 39 S. Magnolia Ave. Orlando, FL 32801

TICKETS https://www.CentralFloridaVocalArts.org

About Central Florida Vocal Arts & Opera del Sol

We use our platform to build a better Central Florida community through education, performance and appreciation. Opera del Sol is on a mission to help opera find its edge; a forum for social discussion and a space to re-imagine who an opera enthusiast or performer is and what a performance can be. We believe all people deserve the opportunity to have a rich life through meaningful arts experiences.