

Opera

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Performers Irina Chistyakova, Yevgenia Afanasieva and Svetlana Sumacheva taking part in "Cafe Socrate." The opera will be performed in French in the Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theater on Sunday. **Vadim Lapin**

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Thursday The 5th

FRENCH Carmen: Bizet's opera based on Merimee's short story about a man's tragic attraction to a woman he allows to escape from jail on purpose. Performed in French. Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

ITALIAN La Boheme (Bogema): Puccini's opera about slumming artistic types in Paris' Latin Quarter. Directed by Federik Mirdita. Performed in Italian. Bolshoi Theater Main Stage. 7 p.m.

Violist Danilov (Altist Danilov): Alexander Tchaikovsky's opera, based on Vladimir Orlov's 1980 novel, is dedicated to Yury Bashmet. Directed and choreographed by Mikhail Kislyarov. Pokrovsky Chamber Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

Friday The 6th

MT PICK **Eugene Onegin**: a simple and dazzling staging of Tchaikovsky's opera by Sergei Artsibashev with sets by Sergei Barkhin. Novaya Opera. 7 p.m.

ITALIAN **La Boheme** (see Thurs. listing). Bolshoi Theater Main Stage. 7 p.m.

Opera Night: opera arias, duets and jam session. Alexei Kozlov Club. 11:30 p.m.

ITALIAN **Siberia** (Sibir): Dmitry Bertman's staging of Umberto Giordano's opera on Russian themes set in 19th-century St. Petersburg and Siberia. Performed in Italian. Helikon Opera. 7 p.m.

Violist Danilov (see Thurs. listing). Pokrovsky Chamber Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

Saturday The 7th

FRENCH **Cafe Socrate**: Satie's symphonic drama "Socrate" and Milhaud's "Le Pauvre Matelot" (The Poor Sailor). Performed in French. Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theater small stage. 7 p.m.

Operatic Concert. Bolshoi Theater Beethoven Hall. 12:30 and 4 p.m.

ITALIAN **Siberia** (See Fri. listing). Helikon Opera. 7 p.m.

Sunday The 8th

FESTIVAL **Britten Seasons**: Moscow Conservatory Symphony Orchestra and Chamber Choir perform Britten's opera "Death in Venice." Soloists Ian Bostridge (tenor), Peter Coleman-Wright (baritone) and Iestyn Davies (countertenor). Gennady Rozhdestvensky conducts. Conservatory Great Hall. 7 p.m.

Eugene Onegin: Alexander Titel stages Tchaikovsky's masterpiece, based on Pushkin's novel about a Petersburg dandy who rejects the love of a provincial girl and is later rebuffed by her. Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

Operatic Concert. Bolshoi Theater Beethoven Hall. 12:30 and 4 p.m.

Prince Igor (Knyaz Igor): Alexander Borodin's opera about Prince Igor and his son Vladimir in captivity during the war with the Polovtsians. Novaya Opera. 7 p.m.

ITALIAN **Siberia** (See Fri. listing). Helikon Opera. 7 p.m.

Symptom of the Opera (Priznak Opery): a lighthearted multimedia show that features classic works of the world opera repertoire. Praktika. 2 and 5 p.m.

NEW **Tasty Tales** (Syedobniye Skazki): Mikhail Bronner's musical for kids and parents. Natalya

Sats Children's Musical Theater. 1 p.m.

Wednesday The 11th

Boris Godunov: Mussorgsky's opera based on Pushkin's tragedy about Tsar Godunov. Directed by Ivan Popovski. Galina Vishnevskaya Opera Center. 7 p.m.

ITALIAN **La Boheme** (Bogema): a moving production of Puccini's opera about the loves, passions and deceptions of a group of artists in the Latin Quarter of Paris in the 1830s. Performed in Italian. Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theater. 7 p.m.

Oh, Mozart, Mozart!: This operatic performance combines Rimsky-Korsakov's chamber opera "Mozart and Salieri" with Mozart's Requiem. Directed by Vladimir Vasilyev. Novaya Opera. 7 p.m.

and Beyond...

MT PICK **Lady Macbeth of Mtsensk District** (Ledi Makbet Mtsenskogo Uyezda): original version of Shostakovich's opera based on Nikolai Leskov's story. Staged by Dmitry Bertman. Helikon Opera. Dec. 12, 13, 14 and 15, 7 p.m.

FRENCH **Les Contes d'Hoffmann** (Skazki Gofmana): Offenbach's opera based on E.T.A. Hoffmann's stories about his three loves. Performed in French. Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theater. Dec. 12, 7 p.m.

ITALIAN **Rigoletto:** Verdi's opera based on Victor Hugo's play "Le Roi s'amuse." Performed in Italian. Novaya Opera. Dec. 13, 7 p.m.

Boris Godunov (see Wed. listing). Galina Vishnevskaya Opera Center. Dec. 14, 7 p.m.

ITALIAN **Don Carlo:** The Milan version of Verdi's opera as staged by British director Adrian Noble. Bolshoi Theater Main Stage. Dec. 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 at 7 p.m., Dec. 22 at 6 p.m.

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