

Bésame Mucho

Live Auction Sneak Peek!



Fine Bordeaux Dining with Chip and Vicki Emery

Chip and Vicki Emery will welcome five couples to their home for a glamorous black tie evening of wine, sumptuous cuisine, and perhaps even a guest artist (or two). A vintage first-growth Bordeaux from Chip's cellar and wonderful food from one of the best chefs in the Twin Cities will make for an unforgettable evening. Celebrate summer on Saturday, June 11, with the bouquet of French wine and the perfect view of the city from the terrace!



Experience *The Shining* from the Pit!

Includes Backstage Tour and Drinks with Maestro Christie
Experience the world premiere of *The Shining* on a whole new level! Become immersed in the music as you take your place in the pit while Michael Christie conducts the Minnesota Opera Orchestra during a live performance. This up-close and personal experience is a once in a lifetime event. Complete the evening with drinks and backstage tour with Maestro Christie after the show.



Meet the Principle Artists of *Tosca* Over Dinner at Trattoria Tosca with Wine Magnum

Immerse yourself and nine of your friends on Tuesday, March 15 in a Tuscany inspired evening of great food at Trattoria Tosca with the stars of Minnesota Opera's production of *Tosca*. Your tour of Italy is complete with wine from Montepulciano of DEI Vineyards in Tuscany.



Private Turtle Bread Wood-Fired Pizza Making Class with Harvey McLain

Get fired up for a wood-fired pizza class led by Harvey McLain. You and seven of your friends will be taught how to make pizza dough and sauce as you prepare your pizza for a wood-fired oven. Harvey will provide food and wine to enhance the learning experience.



Original 30" x 40" Painting by Resident Artist, Shannon Prickett

Inspired by the poem, "In My Sky At Twilight," Prickett combines colors and gestural marks to depict the romantic prose of celebrated Spanish poet, Pablo Neruda. Through this beautiful and dramatic piece, Shannon demonstrates that she is truly a multi-talented artist.



Walk on Role for the Production of *La Bohème* in the 16-17 Season

Experience opera as a professional without having to sing a note! Become a star on stage for the night in a walk-on supernumerary role in next season's *La Bohème*. Be fitted for your costume, attend a rehearsal, and step on stage as you make your debut on the Ordway proscenium. May 20, 2017



Private Ghost Tour of Minneapolis and Dinner for Four with Opera Star Kelly Kaduce

You just saw her blow *Rusalka* out of the water and will see her next as Wendy in the world premiere of *The Shining*. Explore the supernatural with Kelly Kaduce for a private ghost tour of Minneapolis and dinner on Friday, April 14 or Saturday, April 15. This is an experience drawing on real legends and ghosts in actual places along the Mississippi. Today's modern technology brings these stories to life in a tour that you will never forget.



Dinner for 4 at Tosca with *Tosca* Director, Andrea Cigni

Join Italian Stage Director Andrea Cigni, for an intimate dinner while he is in town directing *Tosca* as you learn about his creative experiences with acting, dancing and directing. Andrea graduated from the University of Bologna (School of Arts, Music and Performance). He is currently the Artistic Director of the Orizzonti Festival for Performing Arts in Chiusi (Siena) and teaches stage arts, poetic literature, drama, and law and legislation for performing arts at the Claudio Monteverdi Music Institute for Academic Studies in Cremona.



Weekend Ghost Package for Two at The Stanley Hotel in Estes Park, CO with Dinner and Ghost Tour (Miles Included)

You and a guest will fly out to beautiful Estes Park, CO to stay at the historic Stanley Hotel, known for its architecture, magnificent setting and famous visitors. Yet is mostly known for its inspirational role in Stephen King's novel, *The Shining*. The hotel has been featured as one of America's most haunted hotels and with the numerous stories from visitors and staff, The Stanley Hotel continues to "shine" today, as it did in 1909 when it first opened. You will take part in an evening ghost tour, which will lead you through the hotel's most haunted spaces—from the basement rooms of the concert hall to the famous tunnel where the original owners are still said to be seen. Includes miles from Delta Airlines.



Interactive Cooking Experience for Six with Ryan Taylor at the Home of Shelli Chase

Known for her delightful cuisine and wonderful hospitality, join Shelli Chase and our new General Director, Ryan Taylor, in an evening sure to be a recipe for fun! Bring some friends and sit back and relax with a glass of wine while Shelli and Ryan prepare a dinner to remember. Mutually agreed upon date to be determined.



Drawing: Vintage Heart-Locket Bracelet

Enter to win this beautiful 9k rose-gold vintage Victorian style bracelet! Intricate woven links fastened with a heart-shaped lock charm.

Donation of \$20 per entry or six entries for \$100.
There is no limit to the number of entries per person.
The drawing will take place after dinner.