

Nevada Opera Theatre Events



Nevada Opera Theatre Artist — Suzanne Farace.

Summer festivities continues for Nevada Opera Theatre. On July 29, a bus excursion to the Shakespearean Festival will leave Las Vegas at 9:00 a.m. A box lunch and refreshments will be served enroute. A relaxed, festive atmosphere welcomes you to the complimentary Greenshow preceding the performance of "The Tempest." Immediately following the production, patrons will travel to St. George to tour the Brigham Young home in St. George, Utah and will be served a gourmet dinner at the Gable House Restaurant. The price is \$95 per person.

The fourth annual "Midsummer Opera Festival"

will be held on Friday, August 4 at the historic Boulder Dam Hotel featuring the Nevada Opera Theatre Artists. Beginning at 7:00 p.m., patrons will be served refreshments and at 7:30 p.m. the dinner and recital will take place in the main dining room. It is \$30 per person.

The "Midsummer Opera Festival Concert" will be performed at the Henderson Convention Cen-

Saudis Get \$850 Million In Arms, Before Congress Can Bat An Eye

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Three arms sales to Saudi Arabia, totaling \$850 million, have been pushed through Congress by the Bush administration in the last two months, with scarcely a mumble of opposition.

But now one member of Congress, Rep. Mel Levine (D-Calif.), is complaining that Secretary of State James Baker has not been seeking the customary congressional input in advance of proposing arms sales to Saudi Arabia.

Congress has 30 days to pass resolutions blocking arms sales proposed by the White House. If no such resolutions are passed, the arms sales automatically go through.

That was the case with three recent arms sales totaling \$850 million in parts used mainly to upgrade Saudi

Arabia's F-5 and F-15 fighter planes.

At a House Foreign Affairs Committee hearing June 22, Baker said the administration plans to propose additional sales in the coming months.

Levine sent a letter to Baker that same day, charging "there has not been an adequate dialogue" between the administration and Congress on its proposed arms sales to the Middle East. He accused Baker of continuing the "reckless arms sale policy of the previous administration."

Levine did not indicate that any of the sales that had gone through threatened Israel's security. "That was not the issue that we were raising," an aide to the congressman said recently.

Indeed, Jewish groups were largely silent when asked if they were concerned about any of the arms sales already initiated.

But Levine did ask Baker to consult with Congress "much earlier" in advance of proposing arms sales. And he requested that the secretary provide a list of the imminent

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ter, Sunday, August 6 at 2:00 p.m. The Nevada Opera Theatre Orchestra will be conducted by Dr. James Stivers. Joined by the Nevada Opera Theatre Artists and Chorus, selections include "Musetta's Waltz" from "La Boheme," "Dance of the Blessed Spirits," from "Orpheus," "Villia" from "The Merry Widow," Other Lehar selections include, "Yours Is My Heart Alone," "Un bel di" from Puccini's beloved opera, "Madama Butterfly" will be performed by Elaine Manley-Chance. Other Nevada Opera Theatre artists include Suzanne Farace, Richard de Franco and Utah Opera artist, David Arnold. Musical Theatre medleys include "Tribute to Richard Rodgers" and selections from "Oklahoma" and "South Pacific."

Instrumental music for this concert is made possible through the Music Performance Trust Fund supplied by the Recording Companies of America. Co-sponsors are the Boulder City Cultural Center and the Nevada Opera Theatre. The concert is free to the public.

"Phantom of the Opera" patrons will travel to Los Angeles on August 19 and 20. The excursion includes round trip video equipped VIP bus service, box lunch and refreshments served enroute, overnight lodging at the Los Angeles Biltmore Hotel and sightseeing at the Huntington Museum. The price is \$189 per person and is non-refundable.

Season tickets are now available for the 1989-90 season that includes "Amahl and the Night Visitors," "La Traviata," and "Carmen." For information and reservations call 451-6331.

Rebbetzen's Corner

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deed.

We now have the opportunity to reason, to weigh all the factors in a situation, then make the decision for ourselves as to how we will act. We have been made "partners" with G-d in Tikun Ha'Olam, the Perfection of the World.

Adam and Eve made a choice in Gan Eden (the Garden of Eden) to eat the fruit of the Tree Of Knowledge. Our sages tell us that inside of the Tree Of Knowledge was the Tree Of Life. Thus inferring that you cannot truly live life without first obtaining knowledge and understanding. They were then able to discern between good and evil, right and wrong, and the choices were theirs to make.

The gifts of reason, understanding and choice are ours to use as we wish — they are truly Gifts from G-d. How we use them are our gifts to G-d. May we indeed each use them well...

Shalom,
Micki D. Hecht
Rebbetzen, Temple Beth Am



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