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## **New Year's Eve with Pittsburgh Opera**

Back by popular demand, Pittsburgh Opera's New Year's Eve Gala returns to <u>Carnegie Music Hall</u> in Oakland to ring in 2017.

This glittery event – the only one of its kind -- takes place Saturday, December 31, 2016 beginning at 7:30PM.

For the second year in a row, Pittsburgh Opera is offering two party packages- the Soirée and the Fete. Both packages include admission to the 10:00 PM Pittsburgh Opera Resident Artist concert and the 11:00 PM – 1:00 AM party with drinks, dessert, dancing, and a midnight champagne toast.

- The Soirée starts at 7:30PM. It includes cocktails and a sit-down dinner prior to the Pittsburgh Opera Resident Artist concert.
- The Fete starts at 9:30PM, and includes cocktails prior to the Pittsburgh Opera Resident Artist concert.

You can order tickets online. The registration deadline is December 26<sup>th</sup>.

What:	Pittsburgh Opera's New Year's Eve Gala
Where:	Carnegie Music Hall, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Oakland
When:	7:30 PM December 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2016 – 1:00 AM January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2017
Resident Artist Performance Details:	The evening's musical entertainment is an ingenious blend of grand opera, operetta, and musical theater, with an overarching narrative, recalling the Christmas Television Specials of the 1950's.
	Featuring Pittsburgh Opera's Resident Artists and members of the Pittsburgh Opera Orchestra, and conducted by Glenn Lewis, the program includes selections by Gilbert and Sullivan, other works from the American Songbook, as well as favorites by Johan Strauss and more.

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<i>Protégé</i> Band:	Starting at 11:00 PM, all guests will enjoy the energy and fabulous vocals of <i>Protégé</i> band.
	Protégé brings your favorite songs, past and present, to life. They'll have you on the dance floor and will keep the party going strong.
Pricing and Schedules:	Guests can register for either the Soirée or the Fete.
	Soirée
	The Soirée starts at 7:30 PM, and includes:  Cocktails in the Scaife Foyer - 7:30 - 8:30 PM  Dinner in the Music Hall Foyer - 8:30 - 10:00 PM  Concert by Pittsburgh Opera's Resident Artists in the Music Hall - 10:00 - 11:00 PM  Party in the Music Hall Foyer with desserts, dancing to the music of <i>Protégé</i> , and a midnight champagne toast - 11:00 PM - 1:00 AM  Pricing for the Soirée is:  VIP Table of 10: \$5,000*  VIP Table of 8: \$3,600*
	<ul> <li>VIP Tickets: \$500*</li> <li>Tickets: \$400</li> <li>*includes VIP Cocktail hour from 6:30 – 7:30 PM</li> </ul>
	Fete
	<ul> <li>The Fete starts at 9:30 PM, and includes:</li> <li>Cocktails in the Scaife Foyer - 9:30 - 11:00PM</li> <li>Concert by Pittsburgh Opera's Resident Artists in the Music Hall - 10:00 - 11:00PM</li> <li>Party in the Music Hall Foyer with desserts, dancing to the music of <i>Protégé</i>, and a midnight champagne toast - 11:00 PM - 1:00AM</li> <li>Single tickets to the Fete are \$125 each.</li> </ul>
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