

Matching Grants - 2014

Shreveport Opera

OPERATIZERS provide educational programming and outreach to children and youth in the Ark-La-Tex region. The program utilizes the power of the arts, opera and young professional singers.

Artisti Affamati (Chattanooga)

To address the changing face of the operagoer, the company brings opera out of the theaters and into unusual spaces to encourage new audiences to attend. A MIGHTY CASEY, written by William Schuman, will be performed inside the historic Engel Stadium. The opera revolves around the baseball team from fictional Mudville and their star player, Casey. Chorus, musicians, concessions, greeters, ushers, publicity staff and administrators will all be volunteers. Eighty volunteers will be involved in this production.

Peach State Opera (Lawrenceville GA)

Social Media Strategy and Implementation: Employing a consultant to provide a plan for consistent communication which produces results. The consultant will write and edit our newsletter and will train our volunteers to use the systems in order to make them sustainable.

Marble City Opera (Knoxville)

The BRAND NEW OPERA PROJECT is dedicated to producing fresh new works biennially. One world premier and one southeastern premier by composer Larry Dellinger, *Amelia* and *Talk to Me Like the Rain*. The project will use local and emerging singers and musicians. Approximately 15 volunteers will be used for the production.

Young Patronesses of the Opera (Miami)

Approximately 25 YPO committee volunteers will be trained for the Opera Voice Competition, held every two years. Additionally, 6 Jr. Opera Guild volunteer members who will assist in ushering. Training will be done through a series of educational and training meetings starting summer 2014. The committee is responsible for creating and reviewing applications and reviewing recent audiotapes from which the semi-finalists are selected. They are also responsible for the judges. Committee members assist in helping with accommodations and are available for any help the finalists need.