



OPERA VOLUNTEERS INTERNATIONAL

Focus Meeting in Tucson

October 13-15, 2017

Opera Volunteers International invites you to the Fall Focus Meeting!! Discover Tucson's unique attractions and explore the operatic, cultural and gastronomic scene that makes this city so unique and comfortable.

Friday Evening-Cocktail Party 5:00 to 7:00 internationally known artist Barbara Rogers will host us in her home. Joe Specter, General Director of Arizona Opera and members of the Opera League-Tucson will welcome you. Meet and mingle with members of the Valley Friends of Phoenix and Prescott Friends of AZ Opera as well as other OVI members from across the country.

Saturday Morning-OVI Board Meeting 9:00 to noon Patrick Morganelli, the composer of [Hercules vs Vampires](#), will be our special guest speaker.

Saturday Afternoon-Sonora Desert Museum 12:30 to 5:00 A guided tour of this museum which is regularly listed as one of the top 10 zoological parks in the country. Enjoy a box lunch before the tour at this amazing place.

Sunday Morning-San Xavier Mission 10:00 to 12:30 A National Historic Landmark, San Xavier Mission was founded by Father Eusebio Kino in 1692. The oldest intact European structure in Arizona, the church interior is filled with marvelous original statuary and mural paintings. The museum features an informative video and gift shop.

Sunday Afternoon-Hercules vs Vampires 1:00 to 4:00 Commissioned by the Opera Theater Oregon, the work had its world premiere in Portland in March 2010. In April 2015 the work was staged by the Los Angeles Opera. The work is written as a companion piece to the 1961 film *Hercules in the Haunted World*. The work integrates the 1961 film by projecting the film in its entirety behind the action on stage.

Sunday After the Opera-El Charro Café for dinner Established in 1922, this original Tucson restaurant is famous for Carne Seca, which is an air dried beef. It is one of many authentic ingredients included in their famed Mexican dishes. Margaritas and other beverages are included.

Hotel Beautiful Westin La Paloma Resort and Spa Located in the Catalina foothills this magnificent property provides amazing views and service as well as a spa and golf. Room rate is \$189.00 plus resort fee and tax and this rate applies 3 days before and 3 days after the meeting. The cutoff date for this rate is September 13th.

Our days will be full but our evenings are free for you to explore Tucson and what it has to offer.

Registration form is attached. Please fill out and mail with your check to:
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