



WHAT TO WEAR? HOW DO I GET THERE? WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

Frequently asked questions about a visit to Opera Theatre of Saint Louis

Welcome to the Opera Theatre family. If you've never been to an opera here before, we've written this short guide with you in mind. We want to make sure that you enjoy yourself, and that you'll come back to see another opera here soon. If your questions aren't answered here, email us at info@opera-stl.org. We'll get back to you as soon as we can.

What to wear?

Opera Theatre's atmosphere has been called "blessedly casual." So, at any given performance you'll see long dresses and jackets, tee shirts and jeans, and even shorts at matinees. We want you to be comfortable so please, suit yourself!

What's the easiest way to get to OTSL?

FROM I-44

Exit north on Elm Avenue to Big Bend. Turn right on Big Bend. Turn right at Edgar Road. The Loretto-Hilton Center is located at 130 Edgar Road at the corner of Big Bend and Edgar on the campus of Webster University.

FROM I-64/U.S. 40

Please check your route on www.thenewi64.org during the I-64/U.S. 40 reconstruction due to road and bridge closures. As of June 1, 2009 both the Big Bend and Hanley Road bridges are closed for construction.

FROM I-270, I-70, I-55

Proceed to I-44 and follow directions above.

What about parking?

Free parking is available on Webster University student lots as well as in the garage on Garden Avenue. On subscription evenings the Big Bend Lot is reserved for prepaid parking, but a limited number of spaces are available for \$5.00 and spaces are available in Webster University Parking Lot L for \$3.00. Go to http://www.opera-stl.org/About_MapsLocation.aspx for a map.

Where can we go for dinner before the opera?

Picnics in the garden before our performances are part of the OTSL experience. You may bring your own meals, or order picnic boxes from Ces & Judy's catering. Call the box office at (314) 961-0644 or buy online at <http://ticketing.opera-stl.org/single/EventListing.aspx>. Orders must be received by 4:00 PM the day before each performance. Picnics will be delivered to the theater lobby by 6:00 PM each evening, 5:00 PM on Sundays, and 11:00 AM for matinees.

If you'd rather go out, we can recommend Robust, Cyrano's, and Big Sky Café in Webster Groves; Monarch in nearby Maplewood, Duff's in the Central West End, and Franco in Soulard. Or go to www.saucemagazine.com to search a wider variety of St. Louis restaurants.

Robust www.robustwinebar.com

Cyrano's <http://www.saucemagazine.com/cyranos/>

Big Sky Café www.allgreatrestaurants.com

Monarch <http://www.monarchrestaurant.com/>

Duff's www.dineatduffs.com

Franco www.eatatfranco.com