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Opera A La Carte Brings “The Gondoliers” to the Mondavi Center

Davis, Calif.—Southern California’s **Opera A La Carte**, devoted to the works of **Gilbert and Sullivan**, brings an enthusiastic presentation of “**The Gondoliers**” to **Jackson Hall** of the **Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts** at UC Davis, **Saturday, April 25, at 8 p.m.** and **Sunday, April 26, at 2 p.m.** Set in Venice and the fictitious kingdom of Barataria in the mid-18th century, “The Gondoliers” boasts a sunny score and story full of the best Gilbertian ingredients with live orchestra.

Says **Don Roth**, Mondavi Center executive director, “Opera A La Carte are Gilbert and Sullivan experts, and the troupe is sure to bring its consistently exuberant style to “The Gondoliers.””

Pricing is \$60/50/30 for regular tickets and \$30/25/15 for students and children. Purchase tickets online at MondaviArts.org, through the Mondavi Center box office at 530-754-2787 or 866-754-2787 (toll-free), or at the door. Accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. This event is presented as part of the Mondavi Center’s **Classical Favorites Series**.

Opera A La Carte was founded in 1970 by noted British Gilbert and Sullivan specialist Richard Sheldon. Starting out as a small concert ensemble, with its first performance at the Idyllwild School of Music and the Arts in Southern California, the company soon opened at a dinner theater in Santa Monica, where instant success justified a five-month residency. Thereafter, the ensemble expanded its activities into schools and colleges with specially designed educational programs for all levels—still a prominent company feature.

In 1975, Opera A La Carte mounted its first full-scale production, “The Mikado,” with the initial performance at the Concord Pavilion in Northern California with the Oakland Symphony Orchestra. With several productions now in the repertoire as well as a wide variety of concert programs, the company is especially known for its authentic style. Through its nationwide tours, Opera A La Carte is constantly winning new audiences and rapidly earning recognition as the foremost Gilbert and Sullivan touring repertory company in the United States. Read more at operaalacarte.org.

- **Opera A La Carte: “The Gondoliers”**
- **Sat., Apr. 25, 8 p.m.**
Sun., Apr. 26, 2 p.m.
- **Mondavi Center, Jackson Hall**
- **9399 Old Davis Road, Davis, CA 95616 (GPS)**
- **\$60/50/30 regular; \$30/25/15 students, children**
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