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## **Pacific Opera Brings Opera to the Community This Spring**

Victoria, BC –This spring, Pacific Opera Victoria offers the community several opportunities to experience opera at locations throughout Greater Victoria. Civic Engagement Artists Camila Montefusco and Nicole Ross will be sharing their talents with audiences. Look for them at free recitals, surprise Pop Up Opera performances, and celebration concerts through mid-June. The two singers, both early career artists, were chosen by a panel that included Pacific Opera artistic staff and external artistic leaders for the residency program.

Both Civic Engagement Artists will perform recitals at the Baumann Centre’s Wingate Studio, with Q&As following. Camila Montefusco’s recital, *Tierra – an ode to freedom*, will be presented on Wednesday May 15 at 12:00 noon. Through a collection of Ibero-American folkloric music, the performer invites her audience on a journey inspired by the stories of her ancestors. In a world of hardship, themes of fear, strength, love and hope guide the narrative of this intimate and universal tale. Tickets are free, but please reserve your seats at: [Tierra RSVP](#)

Nicole Ross’ recital, *Frauenliebe*, will be presented at the Baumann Centre on Thursday May 30 at 12:00 noon. Nicole will explore a program that combines Schumann’s iconic Frauen-Liebe und Leben cycle and Sappho: Tell everyone by Danika Lorèn. These two contrasting works explore many of the same themes including: love, loss, innocence, and betrayal. Tickets are free, but please reserve your seats at: [Frauenliebe RSVP](#)

The Civic Engagement Artist Residency finale, *For All to Hear; Signature Concert and Auction*, will take place on June 15 at 7:00pm at the Baumann Centre. Join Pacific Opera for an unforgettable evening of music, art, and community, at this fundraiser for special artist initiatives and projects. Camila and Nicole, will be joined by Pacific Opera’s own Kimberley-Ann Bartczak, as they showcase dynamic works exploring the compositions of lesser-known and significant composers. Tickets for the evening are \$100 (with a \$50 tax-receipt), which includes signature cocktails, wine and appetizers, a live and silent auction. For more information and tickets visit: [For All to Hear](#)

During May and June, a series of Pop Op Opera performances will be appearing at sites throughout the community, including the Royal BC Museum on May 11 & 18 from 10:30am – 12:30pm, the Selkirk Waterfront Festival on May 25, and more locations to be announced! Look for Camila and Nicole at various locations, including some surprises, throughout the community.

For more information about Pacific Opera and the 2024/25 season, including tickets, visit: [Pacific Opera](#)

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