

WONDERFUL EXPERIENCES

with your national opera company



Our story

Welsh National Opera was founded in the heart of South Wales in 1943.

From a dream of the local community, we have grown into a Company with a global reputation, firmly rooted in the many areas we serve across Wales, England and the world.

We aim to inspire and empower with our music and passion; contribute to the musical, cultural and educational life of our communities; and add to Wales's international reputation as the 'Land of Song'.

We believe in the power of opera to transform lives. Building on our 75-year history, we continue to encourage the next generation of talent and offer transformative experiences through our various offerings, both on and off the stage.









On your stage

From big opera performances to orchestral concerts and family shows, you will find us at a venue near you throughout the year.

Wonderful stories, sublime music, and incredible performers... We are here to share the magic of opera and classical music through our busy artistic calendar. We are committed to making our performances as accessible as possible, from offering surtitles in Welsh and English, touch tours, audio description and BSL interpretation*.

Delivering world-class performances and forming the musical and artistic backbone of the Company are WNO Chorus and WNO Orchestra.

^{*}Available at specific performances

In your community

From education and youth work to health, wellbeing and social care, we believe in shared experiences and creating art together.

We spark the imagination and creativity of pupils through school workshops, free schools' concerts and sensory experiences for students with profound and multiple learning disabilities and help boost the confidence of educators with our Teacher CPD Days.

For the budding young performers among us, WNO Youth Opera is the perfect place to help you find your voice, develop your performance skills, all while creating lifelong friendships.

We also aim to raise-awareness and enrich lives with the power of music through our health-based work, from our dementia-based intergenerational group, Cradle Choir, to our singing and breathing programme, Wellness with WNO.







Let's keep in touch

We'd love to send you information about upcoming events, news, how to support us and an exclusive glimpse behind the scenes at WNO.

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For your future

We are here to give a guiding hand to tomorrow's stars.

If you are a recent vocal graduate, then our Associate Artist programme might be the perfect next step for you. You will receive world-class training, year-long support and performance opportunities in operas, concerts and community work.

Even off the stage, we offer a range of different schemes, from vocal internships to student placements, work experience and opportunities to perform with WNO Orchestra through our Sideby-Side project.

We are invested in furthering careers and pursuing success.

Support us

For ways to support us and secure the future of live opera and music for everyone, visit wno.org.uk/donate







