

# INDIANAPOLIS OPERA



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## **FULL HOUSES FOR ALL THREE “MAN OF LA MANCHA” PERFORMANCES**

*2017 – 2018 Season to be Announced in April*

INDIANAPOLIS, IN – The Schrott Center for the Arts at Butler University was filled with people and applause last weekend as the Indianapolis Opera’s production of “Man of La Mancha” played to three near-capacity crowds.

Indianapolis Opera brought together seasoned professionals from across the country, alongside talented Hoosier artists in this new production of the award-winning musical. David Malis, who played ‘Don Quixote’ spent 12 seasons at The Metropolitan Opera as a leading baritone and his performance of “La Mancha” was superb. His loyal sidekick, ‘Sancho’, played by Scott Wichaël, received many laughs and high praise for his stunning tenor voice and amusing antics. As ‘Dulcinea’, Karin Mushegain, melted hearts with her gorgeous soprano voice. From the Muleteers and Quixote’s family, to the priest and the doctor, not one of the well-rounded cast of 16 disappointed. The pit orchestra, conducted by John Clanton of Atlanta, sounded duly dynamic and commanding.

With a new General Director and a relatively new staff, Indianapolis Opera has gained momentum in recent months, building upon its successful return to the stage in 2015. Matt Mindrum, Opera board president said, “The show was tremendous and it was great to see a sell-out crowd enjoying it. No doubt the Indianapolis Opera is back and excitement is building for our ‘17 – ‘18 season!”

The new season will be announced in April.

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