WYSONG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Dear Grade 5 Parents and Students,

Wysong and the New York Metropolitan Opera have partnered to offer a unique opportunity for 5th grade students. Through a program called HD at the Met, tickets are provided to students FREE OF CHARGE to watch a live performance at the Ross Theater on the UNL campus as it is performed in New York. Curriculum materials are provided to us to study the opera, as well as music arranged just for students so that they have the opportunity to sing/perform the music.

Our next performance of the season is **Saturday, March 31 at 11:55 a.m**. and runs @3 hrs. 30 min. The opera is ”Cosi Fan Tutte” by Mozart. See the synopsis below:

*A winning cast comes together for Phelim McDermott’s clever vision of Mozart’s comedy about the sexes, set in a carnival-esque environment inspired by 1950s Coney Island. Manipulating the action are the Don Alfonso of Christopher Maltman and the Despina of Tony Award–winner Kelli O’Hara, with Amanda Majeski, Serena Malfi, Ben Bliss, and Adam Plachetka as the pairs of young lovers who test each other’s faithfulness. David Robertson conducts.*

Tickets are free to students but we will need parents to help provide transportation either by driving your own student or carpooling.  **Tickets are given out on a first come/first served basis** aswe will be sharing available tickets with a couple of other schools so getting your permission slip in quickly is important. Anyone who doesn’t get a ticket this time will automatically be put on the next opera list or may purchase a ticket to see this opera with us for $17. **The** **deadline to turn in permission slips is Friday, March 23**. Parents can always purchase tickets at the Ross for $24 each and join us. Students may bring money to purchase snacks and drinks at the concessions but need to arrive early so they do not enter the opera late. For parents staying and parking, there are a couple of parking garages within a short walking distance. Parking meters are available around the theater, but would need to be filled several times during the opera, so I would suggest the parking garage instead.

Please fill out the permission slip on the back and return to Mrs. Bush as soon as possible. Remember, the **deadline to turn in permission slips is Friday, March 23.** We’re excited about this experience for our students and thank you for your help.

Musically yours,

Judy Bush,

Wysong Elementary Music

**HD at the Met Permission Slip**

**(Deadline to return to me is Friday, March23 )**

I give permission for my student \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

to attend the performance of the opera Cosi Fan Tutte at the Ross Theater on the UNL Campus on Saturday, March 31, 2018. (Address is 313 N. 13th St.) (Opera begins promptly at 11:55 a.m. and will be finished by @3:30 p.m.)

**Please choose one of the following for your student:**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I will drive my student to the theater by 11:40 a.m. and pick them up @3:30 p.m. (These are live performances so times are not exact but usually close)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I am willing to drive in a carpool. I can take \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ additional passengers. (If we need to carpool we will meet in the Wysong driveway in front of the school at 10:10 and leave shortly after)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ I give permission for my child to ride in a carpool.

**Parent only:**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I plan to stay for the opera and will buy a ticket to attend for $24.00.

Phone number(s) to contact parent/guardian \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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