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El Camino College Opera Workshop Spotlights Student Talent

The talented students of El Camino College's Opera Workshop will showcase what they've learned this semester in their final spring performance at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. May 14 in the Campus Theatre.

Opera Workshop director Vicki Muto will lead El Camino College opera students in their performance, with the help of pianists Kenner Bailey and Eun Nam.

Founded in 2004 by ECC music professor Hedley Nosworthy, the Opera Workshop is intended to teach aspiring opera singers the skills necessary to move, act, and sing simultaneously while performing on stage. Students learn to master the ability to sing complex operatic works that sometimes are in Italian, French or German.

Muto, an ECC music instructor who has performed with the Tri-Cities Opera in New York, is an accomplished and celebrated name in the opera community. She has won various honors, including the McAllister Awards, the Liederkrantz Competition, and the Metropolitan Opera. Along with winning recognition from prestigious opera organizations, she has captured audiences in leading roles with Richard Leech and Deborah Voight.

The Opera Workshop performance will feature works by Menken/Ashman, Mascagni, Mozart, Howland/Dickstein, Ashman, Bellini, and Sondheim.

Tickets to the Opera Workshop show are \$10 and may be purchased at www.centerforthearts.org, by phone at 310-329-5345 or toll-free at 800-832-ARTS. The Ticket Office is open Monday through Friday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Campus parking is \$3. The Campus Theatre is located at 16007 Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance.

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