



**EUGENE
OPERA**

AUDIENCE ETIQUETTE ... but HAVE A GOOD TIME!

The following list of DO's and DO NOT's will help you (and those around you) enjoy the experience of a night at the opera:

DO dress in whatever you are comfortable. However going to the opera can be an opportunity to get dressed up and snazzy.

DO be on time! Latecomers disturb everyone. They will only be seated at suitable breaks and often not until intermission.

DO find your seat with the help of your teacher or an usher.

DO not block your neighbors—if you are wearing a hat, take it off.

DO turn off cell phones, pagers, and all electronic devices (no texting, sorry!)

DO NOT take photos (even with your phone).

DO NOT chew gum, eat, drink, or talk. Be aware that you are an active participant in the theater magic.

DO get settled and comfortable prior to the performance beginning.

DO clap as the lights dim and the conductor appears and bows to the audience.

DO have a great time! Laugh when something is funny and applaud after an aria or suitable pause in the action.