

## STAGING REQUIREMENTS

# LOS ANGELES OPERA

## *Don't Be Afraid, It's Just Opera!*

**Suzanna Guzman** and the education staff of the Music Center would like your school/ organization to have as rewarding an arts education experience as possible. The success and safety of the artist depends a great deal on your help and preparation.

- Go over the Staging Requirements on this page carefully. If you do not meet the minimum requirements listed or have questions, please contact your Program Associate at the Music Center.
- Duplicate and distribute the attached Curriculum Connection to all teachers.

Your hard work and attention to detail will allow you and your students to enjoy the benefit of a complete performance, as well as creating a safe environment for the artist. Thank you for giving our staff and artists the opportunity to contribute to your arts education program.

*For information regarding programs related to this one, refer to the Music Center's education website.*

### SAMPLE INTRODUCTION:

"I would like to introduce today's performance which is presented by the Music Center of Los Angeles County and the Los Angeles Opera. This performance is entitled *Don't Be Afraid, It's Just Opera* and features acclaimed mezzo-soprano **Suzanna Guzman**. She is going to explore the wonderful world of opera with you in this exciting and interactive program. Please welcome **Suzanna Guzman!**"



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### PRIOR TO THE PERFORMANCE DAY:

#### Space:

- Auditorium or raised stage preferred
- Portable stages must be sturdy and securely lashed, with steps leading up to the stage.
- Students must be able get onstage
- Stage should have full lighting
- **NO OUTDOOR PERFORMANCES**

#### Surface:

- Freshly mopped (not waxed)
- Irregularities covered with tape
- Extraneous clutter removed.

#### Dressing Area:

- One dressing room near the stage will be needed.

### Equipment to be Provided by the School:

- Piano - tuned and playable
- Microphone (for double assemblies)

### ON PERFORMANCE DAY:

#### Arrival:

- 10-15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time.

#### Parking:

- Two spaces.

#### Assistance:

- Please have a school representative ready to welcome the performers and to stay and help as needed.

#### Start Time:

- Please prepare to start the program on time.
- Students should be in the venue, seated and ready to begin at the listed times.