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Guerilla Opera Calls for Video Entries to be Featured in their 2022 Guerilla Underground Virtual Performance Series

Boston, MA (November 1, 2021) - In their 15th Anniversary Season, the Guerillas of Boston reopen The Guerilla Underground as a curated series of monthly virtual concerts and are inviting members of their community to participate in an online Call For Videos.

What is The Guerilla Underground? The Guerilla Underground is a virtual speakeasy experience that features new music and works of opera theater that explore the “operatic”. In The Guerilla Underground you will encounter encore broadcasts from live performances, new works interpreted through cinematic mediums of film, video and animation, invigorating musical concerts from the Guerilla All-Stars, previews of works in development for both stage and screen, and guest artists chosen from the online Call for Videos.

Why the call for videos? Guerilla Opera champions cutting-edge work and wants to feature and uplift other members of their community that investigate and explore themes that are operatic, which they define as when the musical score acts as the primary catalyst for the drama and the action of the work.

The Guerillas are looking for submissions featuring:

- Musical compositions from 1975 or later; and
- Featured artists or creators (performing artists, composers, librettists/writers, filmmakers, etc.) that identify as BIPOC, women, LGBTQIA, disabled, or other underrepresented groups.

Acceptable submissions are:

- HD Multi-Camera Recordings of live performances;
- Works interpreted through the cinematic mediums of film, video, animation or any combination thereof;
- Visual albums (a series of videos or a single film serving as a visual vehicle for a studio album with multiple tracks); and
- Genre-bending work that can contain any or all of the above.

Application Timeline:

Nov 8 Application Period Opens

Dec 5 Application Period Closes

Dec 12 Finalists Notified
Dec 17 Guerilla Opera Announces Guest Artists & Guerilla Underground Tickets Go on Sale
Jan 14 Guerilla Underground Grand Opening & Rumpelstiltskin Album Release Party

How to enter:

Videos must be submitted by online application starting on November 8th via FilmFreeway at <https://filmfreeway.com/GuerillaUndergroundCallForVideos>

Finalists:

The individuals, ensembles or organizations chosen from the submitted videos will receive one (1) live viewing of their featured virtual performance with their performance made available on demand through May 31, 2022; receive VIP Package level admission for one (1) to view all the virtual performances in the Guerilla Underground (including invites to all VIP After Parties); and a \$500.00 performance fee plus percentage of net virtual ticket sales. Percentage rate varies by video duration.

Terms:

The artists selected to participate in the Guerilla Underground must participate in the Zoom VIP After Party happening directly after the group live viewing.

Selected video submissions must not be available to watch online, in-person or any other method of viewing through the duration of the Guerilla Underground season (until May 31, 2022).

The artists or artist representative submitting videos must have the consent of all the musical, theatrical, technical and design artists whose work is represented in the video submission.

The artists or artist representatives submitting videos must have the appropriate rights to the materials incorporated in the video submission, including, but not limited to, music, quotes of individuals, poetry, text, speeches, transcripts, periodicals, newscasts, or other written or recorded material not in the public domain.

Submission Fee - \$25.00

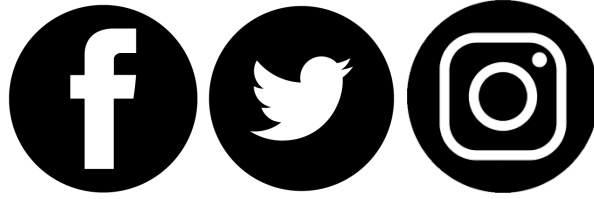
Guerilla Opera is a small organization doing huge things! The application fee supports the company's ability to continue this series and uplifts other artists who need help in order to apply.

Guerilla Opera is committed to equity in the arts and for artists, and they offer subsidies (discounts) and will waive application fees for those who truly need it in order to participate. Artists, ensembles, and organizations may contact submissions@guerillaopera.org, state if a subsidy (discount) or fee waiver is needed, and a Guerilla staff member will respond as soon as possible with the appropriate code.

Please contact submissions@guerillaopera.org with any questions regarding this application.

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WHO WE ARE

Guerilla Opera is one of Boston's most thrilling young companies creating brave new works. Founded in 2007, the ensemble has accumulated a repertoire of 40 new works, which continues to grow, by the most exciting composers of our generation. In daring performances, they have garnered a national reputation for innovative contemporary opera, with The Boston Globe raving that "radical exploration remains the cornerstone of everything it does."

This artist-led ensemble wields a mission to commission and envision new experimental works that are custom-tailored to their artists. They champion cutting-edge music, immerse audiences in profound experiences, are a model for creative authenticity and inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility (IDEA) in order to inspire, influence and amplify emerging generations of artists.

Their vision is to generate a unique body of work that ferociously confronts the status quo, eschews antiquated and stereotypical traditions of the art form of opera, examines stories through culturally focused and contemporary lenses, and brings new music to new audiences. (guerillaopera.org)