

A Short History of OperaExtravaganza Cultural Association

Founded in 2005, the musical group was incorporated as a Cultural Association in November 2006. Besides producing shows the Association is dedicated to the promotion and organization of musical and cultural events in the territory of Tuscia -Viterbo region, grouping together the area's already existing realities and promoting the formation of new cultural realities. Thanks to different work groups created within the Association, new, very successful shows have been performed in Italy and abroad.

2006-December- the Association's first performance of "Dinner at the Opera"

The Association has participated in numerous musical events including

- 2007,2008,2009 –Participation in "Tramonti musicali at Castello Ruspoli" and "Domeniche di Dialoghi e Musica" with their own shows , also as promoter for "La Musica Brasiliana, radici e frutti " in 2007
- 2007-Participation in the celebration for the visit of Archbishop of Mombasa to Vetralla, organized by the Vetralla Red Cross,
- Participation at local festivals in various towns of the Tuscia area including Fabrica di Roma (2007), Soriano nel Cimino (2007,2008), Borgia Castle, Nepi (2007,2008), Ronciglione (2007), Vetralla (2009, June and September 2010)
- Musical shows at conference gala dinners held in Rome (2007, 2008) and Lake Maggiore (2008)
- Musical evening at Castello di Proceno (VT) for the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), (2007)
- 2007, 2008 Tournée in Holland with shows at the prestigious Geelvinck Museum in Amsterdam and at the Chateau Neercanne in Maastricht
- 2008 first performance of the group's second original show "The Gran Ballo of Principe Orlovsky"
- October 2008 tournée in England in collaboration with the English elementary schools for a project of interactive introduction of the Opera to children
- 2008-Participation in the theatrical laboratories of Piermaria Cecchini in Viterbo
- December 2008- organization of monthly "salotti musicali " in the Association's headquarters in Vetralla giving the opportunity for local artists to meet and perform
- January 2009 the beginning of monthly encounters "Scopriamo il Melodramma" seminars explaining the masterpieces of melodrama inserting live music and multimedia formats. These presentations of lyric operas to a wide audience ,as well as the "salotto musicale" have continued on a monthly basis for the past two years
- October 2009 Collaboration with teachers and students of the G. Briccialdi Music Conservatory of Terni (Umbria) in presenting theatrical concert for the 250th anniversary of G.F. Handel
- December 2009 -presentation of new opera show " Il Lato Rosa della Vita"
- May 2009 -presentation of new opera show "In Vino Veritas ossia Ubriachi d'Opera" at Castello di Proceno for the program "Convivio in Musica 2010"
- September 2010 Tournée in Holland with performances for the *European Conference on Surface Science* (ECOSS) at University of Groningen and during the Avril McDonald Fund benefit dinner
- November 2010 Concert "Rendez-vous all'Opera" presented in occasion of the national "Museums in Music" celebration, held at the National Etruscan Museum in Viterbo.