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Honoring Christopher Hahn: A Legacy of Vision and Leadership

A Special Campaign to Name Pittsburgh Opera's Rehearsal Hall

At the conclusion of the 2025–26 Season, Pittsburgh Opera will bid a fond farewell to General Director, **Christopher Hahn**, who will retire after 26 remarkable years.

Christopher has shaped Pittsburgh Opera into the vibrant, innovative, and sought-after company it is today. Under his leadership, Pittsburgh Opera has earned national acclaim for producing thought-provoking opera, nurturing the next generation of artists, and expanding access to opera for audiences of all ages. His legacy is one of vision, artistry, and community.



To honor Christopher's extraordinary service, we are embarking on a **special \$500,000 fundraising initiative** to name Pittsburgh Opera's **Rehearsal Hall** in his honor.

Why the Rehearsal Hall?

In the Rehearsal Hall, inspiration becomes reality. It is the heartbeat of our headquarters at the Bitz Opera Factory: a place where singers, musicians, and creative teams prepare for every performance. By dedicating this vital space to Christopher, we celebrate the countless hours of artistry and collaboration that define his tenure and secure his enduring presence at the center of Pittsburgh Opera.

Join Us

We invite you to be part of this unique opportunity to celebrate Christopher's legacy and honor a leader who has shaped Pittsburgh Opera and enriched our city's cultural life. Your gift will permanently link Christopher's name — and yours — to the space where music takes shape, creating a lasting tribute recognized by generations of artists and audiences to come.







Campaign Recognition and Benefits

Gifts to the **Christopher Hahn Rehearsal Hall Naming Campaign** will be recognized with the following benefits:

\$100,000+ Visionary Benefactor

- Premier recognition on the Rehearsal Hall Donor Plaque
- Featured tribute in the Christopher Hahn Tribute Book (full page, with photo option)
- Prominent name recognition in Pittsburgh Opera's Program Books for three seasons
- Invitation for six to the **Rehearsal Hall Naming Reception** with Christopher Hahn
- Opportunity to observe a private working rehearsal in the Rehearsal Hall

\$50,000+ Legacy Leader

- Lead Recognition on the Rehearsal Hall Donor Plaque
- Tribute in the Christopher Hahn Tribute Book (half-page)
- Name recognition in Pittsburgh Opera's Program Books for three seasons
- Invitation for four to the Rehearsal Hall Naming Reception with Christopher Hahn

\$25,000+ Artistic Champion

- Special Recognition on the Rehearsal Hall Donor Plaque
- Tribute listing in the Christopher Hahn Tribute Book (quarter-page)
- Name recognition in Pittsburgh Opera's Program Books for two seasons
- Invitation for two to the Rehearsal Hall Naming Reception

\$10,000+ Maestro's Circle

- Recognition on the Rehearsal Hall Donor Plaque
- Tribute listing in the Christopher Hahn Tribute Book (name only)
- Name recognition in Pittsburgh Opera's Program Books for one season
- Invitation for two to the Rehearsal Hall Naming Reception

\$5,000+ Artists' Ensemble

- Tribute listing in the **Christopher Hahn Tribute Book** (name only)
- Name recognition in Pittsburgh Opera's Program Books for one season
- Invitation for two to the Rehearsal Hall Naming Reception

\$1,000+ Friend of Christopher

- Recognition in the Christopher Hahn Tribute Book (name only)
- Invitation for two to the Rehearsal Hall Naming Reception

Special Tribute Book for Christopher Hahn

As part of this campaign, we are creating a **special tribute book** for Christopher that will include photos, stories, and memories spanning his 26 years at Pittsburgh Opera. All campaign donors will be recognized in this book, which will be presented to Christopher at the **Rehearsal Hall Naming Reception** in late spring 2026. Donors will also receive a digital copy of the tribute book.







Together, let us celebrate Christopher's extraordinary legacy while investing in the future of Pittsburgh Opera.

For more information or to make your gift, please contact:

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