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LA Opera Offers a Holiday Gift to the Community

**\$20 Tickets for All Seats to the Final Performance of
La Bohème on Sunday, December 16 at 8:00 PM**

**Plácido Domingo Will Conduct
Internationally Celebrated Cast Featuring
Virginia Tola and Arturo Chacón-Cruz**

Tickets Go on Sale Thursday, December 6th at 10:00AM

Los Angeles, CA (December 4, 2007) – “I am delighted to announce that LA Opera will offer \$20 tickets for all seats to the final performance of Giacomo Puccini’s *La Bohème* on Sunday, December 16 at 8:00pm,” said Plácido Domingo, Eli and Edythe Broad General Director. “After the unprecedented success of a similar special ticket offer last season, when it was introduced for sold-out performances of *Porgy and Bess* and *The Merry Widow*, we decided to repeat the offer again this season. I have long felt that it is important for LA Opera to make opera accessible to as many people as possible. This holiday season, many members of the community who might not otherwise be able to attend a performance of one of the world’s best known and beloved operas will now be able to do so.”

The \$20 tickets for all seats will be available for the final performance of *La Bohème* on Sunday, December 16 at 8:00pm. Tickets will go on sale Thursday, December 6th at 10:00am and are subject to availability. There is a four ticket limit per person. All seating locations throughout the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion will be available on a first come first served basis. Tickets can be purchased at the Los Angeles Opera Box Office, online at www.LAOpera.com, or by phone at (213) 972-8001.

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LA Opera's education and community-focused initiatives aim to reach out to new audiences and create opportunities for everyone to experience opera first-hand. This offer is the perfect opportunity for those who may be interested in attending an opera for the first time, or for opera fans to share *La Bohème* with family and friends, with great seats available to all for only \$20 a ticket.

The cast for the final performance of *La Bohème* on Sunday, December 16 includes soprano Virginia Tola as Mimi, Arturo Chacón-Cruz as Rodolfo, Hung Yun as Marcello, Nicole Heaston as Musetta, Brian Mulligan as Schaunard, Christian Van Horn as Colline, and Philip Cokorinos as Benoit/Alcindoro. Plácido Domingo will conduct.

Regular priced tickets are available for the remaining performances of *La Bohème* on December 5, 8, 11 and 14 at 7:30pm; and matinee performances on December 9 and 16 at 1:00 PM. All performances of *La Bohème* will be held at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, 135 North Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Tickets to *La Bohème* range from \$20 to \$238, and are on sale at the LA Opera Box Office, by phone at (213) 972-8001 or online at www.laopera.com. For disability access, call (213) 972-0777 or e-mail wehelpyou@laopera.com.

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