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Brothers Grimm Weaves Fairytales for Families

Calgary, AB – Brighten up your February with the family fun production of ***The Brothers Grimm*** by Dean Burry – **2pm, February 26** at the **Arrata Opera Centre**. Tickets available through Calgary Opera box office at (403) 262-7286 or online at www.calgaryopera.com.

“Calgary Opera’s *Opera in Schools* tour is a vital part of our outreach efforts. It brings opera to communities and schools across Alberta, as well as gives excellent performing experience to our young artists,” says General Director and CEO **W.R. (Bob) McPhee**. “Also, this year thanks to Cenovus Energy we are taking opera even farther a field with the communities of Wabasca, Lac La Biche, Bonnyville, and Cold Lake.”

In this musical retelling of the story of the Brothers Grimm, Wilhelm and Jakob Grimm dream of becoming published authors. In a quest to make this dream a reality, the two brothers set off to collect the very best folktales and end up putting their own twist on them. Along the way we meet Little Red Cap and the Big Bad Wolf, Rumpelstiltskin and Rapunzel as well as a host of other characters.

The Brothers Grimm is directed by **Rob Herriot**, with music direction and accompaniment by **Mel Kirby**. It is performed by Calgary Opera’s Emerging Artist Ensemble: Sopranos **Allison Cecilia Arends** and **Erin Armstrong**, Mezzo-Sopranos **Jennifer Sproule** and **Cassandra Warner**, Tenors **Adam Fisher** and **Martin Sadd** and Baritones **Brent Calis** and **J.P. Decosse**.

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