

Commissioned & Developed by Ardea Arts

Development & Premiere Partner: University of Kentucky Opera Theatre (UKOT)

Concept & Direction: Grethe Barrett Holby

Music: Glen Roven

Additional Music: Tomás Doncker, Ansel Elgort

Story & Libretto: Charles R. Smith, Jr. Additional Libretto: Beth Gutcheon

Lyrics: Frank X Walker

Additional Libretto Contributions: Maria S. Schlatter

APAP Showcase, NYC	2018
World Premiere in Lexington KY with UKOT & Community Engagement	2017
Two workshops: Spring-Summer in NYC	2017
Full Workshop & 3 Performances, East Flatbush, Brooklyn	2016
Act I and II Workshop University of Kentucky Opera Theater	2015-2016
Libretto Reading & Dramatization: WNYC-livestreamed and WQXR-broadcast	2015
Community Engagement Performance Event: Coney Island with City Parks Foundation	2014
Major Support: J. Speed Carroll, National Endowment for the Arts, OPERA America, Jody and John Arnhold,	
Pam & Bill Michaelcheck, Richenthal Foundation, Lynn Schneider, Laurie M. Tisch Illumination Fund,	
and many individual donors	



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Music: Kitty Brazelton Libretto: George Plimpton

Origin, Direction & Dramaturgy: Grethe Barrett Holby

Development Partners: Atlantic Center for the Arts, Montclair State University

World Concert Premiere in partnership with Garden State Philharmonic, NJ	2017	
Semi-Staged Presentations, Ardea Arts/FOI, Chelsea Studios, NYC	2008	
Act II Workshop: Montclair State University, NJ – Peak Performances	2006	
Act I Workshop: Atlantic Center for the Arts, FL	2005	
DJ Workshop, Family Opera Initiative, NYC	2004	
Major Support: The Jaffe Family Foundation, Opera America, and many individual donors		



Commissioned & Developed by Family Opera Initiative & American Opera Projects

Music: Kitty Brazelton

Story & Libretto: Billy Aronson

Hunter College Opera Theater, Kaye Playhouse, NYC 2017 **World Premiere, American Opera Projects & FOI, Fort Greene Park, Brooklyn, NY 2002**

Major Support: Jaffe Family Foundation, NY State Council for the Arts



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based on the book by Umberto Eco & Eugenio Carmi

Music: Ye Xiaogang, Alexander Tchykovskiy, (U.S. composer TBA)

Libretto: Liu Sola, Dimitry Glukhovsky, Yusef Komunyakaa, Daniel L. Everett

Sneak Preview, International Symposium for 2014
Personal and Commercial Space, Las Cruces, NM
Libretto Reading & Workshop #2 2014
Libretto Workshop #1 2013

Major Support: National Endowment for the Arts, Lynn Schneider, Robert Turner, Pam & Bill Michaelcheck, and many individual donors

One Christmas Long Ago... **Produced by Ardea Arts**

Music & Libretto: William Mayer Direction: Grethe Barrett Holby Conductor: Richard Cordova

Based on the story "Why the Chimes Rang" by Raymond MacDonald Alden

Semi-staged concert and recording, Performed at Metro Baptist Church, NYC **Major Support:** Amy Guttman, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Elgort, J. Speed Carroll



Co-produced by Ardea Arts & The French Institute NYC (FI·AF)

Music: Francis Poulenc

Based on the book by Jean de Brunhoff

Direction: Grethe B. Holby

Choreography: Jane Comfort and Dancers

Premiere in partnership with The French Institute NYC (FI:AF), Florence Gould Hall, NYC

Major Support: Amy Guttman and J. Speed Carroll



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Music & Libretto: David Wolfson

World Premiere: Metro Baptist Church, New York City, NY 2013

Developmental Readings & Filming, Ardea Arts

Major Support: J. Spood & Martha Carroll

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Origin & Direction: Grethe Barrett Holby

World Premiere Performances: The Central Park Zoo, NYC, Infinity Music Hall, CT
Additional Performances: Botelle School Norfolk CT, REDS School NYC
2010
Workshop Performances: Parrish Art Museum, The Fresh Air Home, Southampton, NY
2010

Major Support: Jane A. Gross & Jaffe Family Foundation



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Music: Glen Roven

Story: Margaret Wise Brown

Plums-Poems by William Carlos Williams, Christopher Logue, and Walt Whitman •

World Piano Premiere: Southampton Historical Society, Southampton, NY

Co-produced by Ardea Arts & Center for Contemporary Opera

The True Last Words of **Dutch Schultz**

Music: Eric Salzman Libretto: Valeria Vasilevski Direction: Grethe Barrett Holby

American Premiere at Symphony Space, NYC

2007

2009

2014

2011-2012

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Music: Richard Peaslee Libretto: Kenneth Cavander Direction: Grethe Barrett Holby

Playfest, Orlando Shakespeare Theater 2006
World Premiere, Co-producer: TADA! New York City 2001

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FLURRY TALE

Music: Rusty Magee

Story & Lyrics: Billy Aronson Music Director: Steven Osgood Direction: Grethe Barrett Holby

World Concert Premiere: Clarke Studio Theater, Lincoln Center, NYC

NY Public Library – Celeste Bartos First Night Forum

1998

Workshops at AOP, NYC area schools & NY Public Library

1995-1998

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