



**MEROLA
OPERA PROGRAM**

MEROLA OPERA PROGRAM CONCLUDES 2018 SUMMER FESTIVAL WITH THE

MEROLA GRAND FINALE

August 18 in San Francisco

WHAT: San Francisco's acclaimed **Merola Opera Program**, one of the most prestigious and selective opera training programs in the world, wraps up its Summer Festival with the **Merola Grand Finale**, a program that will feature the 2018 Merola young artists in a dazzling array of opera's most exciting arias and ensembles. Conducted by Dean Williamson, the acclaimed conductor now completing his third season as music director at Nashville Opera, and directed by 2018 Merola Apprentice Stage Director Marcus Shields, this evening showcases the hard work and burgeoning talent of the Merolini.

WHEN: **7:30pm, Saturday, August 18**

SHOWS: War Memorial Opera House, 301 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco

TICKETS: *San Francisco tickets: \$25-\$50*
Reception tickets: \$75

INFO: For information or to order tickets visit <http://merola.org> or call the San Francisco Opera Box Office at **415-864-3330**. The box office is open Monday, 10am-5pm, and Tuesday through Friday, 10am-6pm.

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