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Different garden, different opera: Opera al Fresco includes varied repertoire

At this summer garden party, there's something for everyone.

The fourth annual Opera al Fresco is a combination of operatic performances and the opportunity to wander through the Devonian Botanic Garden, while enjoying wine and appetizers on the summer solstice, June 21.

Each of the three gardens will feature performances — the Edmonton Opera chorus at the Pine Pavilion, bass-baritone Bertrand Malo and Zoryana Orlova at the Primula Dell, and Cara Brown (who sang the High Priestess in *Aida*) and Robert Clark (who will sing Narraboth in *Salome*) at the Alpine Garden.

Repertoire includes selections from Gilbert and Sullivan, Johann Strauss II, Puccini, Verdi, Mozart and other engaging operatic pieces. The varied selections are a great introduction for those who haven't been to an opera before, while still providing something different for patrons who attended mainstage productions.

Together, the Edmonton Opera and the Devonian Botanic Garden have established a unique finish to the Edmonton Opera's season each year, providing community-based opera in a memorable setting.

The event runs from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on June 21, 2013. Tickets are available through edmontonopera.com, our new mobile app for iOS and Android, or by calling the box office at 780.429.1000.