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OPERA CANDY:

THE GOURMET ADVENTURE OF HANSEL AND GRÆTEL

A Jeunesses Musicales Canada concert

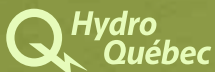
16th edition

7 June 2026 – 11 a.m.

Multi-purpose centre

Saint-Lambert

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The Gourmet Adventure of Hansel and Gretel

Program

(55 mins without intermission)

The program includes excerpts from the following works:

Engelbert Humperdinck (1854–1921)

Hansel and Gretel

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840–1893)

The Queen of Spades

George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

Alcina

Léo Delibes (1836–1891)

Lakmé

Georges Bizet (1838–1875)

Carmen

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756–1791)

The Magic Flute

Giuseppe Verdi (1813–1901)

Rigoletto

Artists

Cécile Muhire, soprano – Gretel

Charlotte Gagnon, mezzo-soprano – Hansel

Guillaume Rodrigue, actor, singer – Narrator

Xavier Rousseau, pianist

Stage direction: **Alain Gauthier**

Texts and opera libretto adaptation: **Pascal Blanchet**

Scenography: **Pierre-Luc Boudreau**

Lighting design: **Élise Neil-Bernier**

About

A Jeunesses Musicales Canada concert

A delightful introduction to opera and the lyrical voice, to be savoured like a piece of candy!

Once upon a time—so ti do mi fa!—two merry singers wanted to tell the tale of Hansel and Gretel in music. Their mischievous pal tried to lend a hand, but he was so greedy and easily distracted that he kept putting his foot (or was that candy?) in his mouth. Our two singers tried to think of a way to keep his attention on the task at hand... Aha! What if they gave him a major role to play in the story?

Relive the tale savoured by candy lovers everywhere with this fanciful, playful concert. What better way to discover one of the most satisfying art forms in the world: opera!

Recommended for ages 6–12

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Soprano – Gretel



Charlotte Gagnon
Mezzo-soprano –
Hansel



**Guillaume
Rodrigue**
Actor, singer –
Narrator



Xavier Rousseau
Pianist



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