

## **TASM VIRTUAL CULTURAL**

Theatres, museums, opera houses, orchestras and individual actors and musicians are stepping into the breach (once more, dear friends) to fill the gap opened up by the widespread closure of venues across the world.

They are opening up their digital archives and streaming services, free, so that everyone all around the globe can access archive and recent productions across the arts spectrum.

To access these performances, plus much more in the way of background videos, synopses and interviews go to the websites below.

If you discover more venues doing similar things - let us know!

### ***Opera Houses and Orchestras streaming free performances:*** (in no particular order)

#### **Paris Opera & Orchestra:**

**[www.operadeparis.fr/en/3e-scene](http://www.operadeparis.fr/en/3e-scene)**

Short art - related videos

**[www.operadeparis.fr](http://www.operadeparis.fr)** Replays of live performances in full including all the Tchaikovsky symphonies by the Opera orchestra, ballets such as Giselle & Swan Lake and operas such as Don Giovanni (available now) , with Il Barbiere de Siviglia, and Carmen coming soon.

#### **Metropolitan Opera, New York:**

**[www.metopera.org](http://www.metopera.org)** Nightly opera stream with different performances each night from 7.30pm EDT. Available for 23 hours thereafter. Schedule on the website which includes Don Carlo, Les Pêcheurs de Perles, Macbeth & Norma.

#### **Vienna State Opera:**

**[www.wiener-staatsoper.at](http://www.wiener-staatsoper.at)** Different opera every day with a schedule on this website. Then go to **[www.staatsoperlive.com](http://www.staatsoperlive.com)** to access free. Examples include Peer Gynt, Le Nozze de Figaro, La Boheme & Der Rosenkavalier.

#### **Royal Swedish Opera, Stockholm:**

**[www.operanplay.se](http://www.operanplay.se)** Opera and ballet performances from their archives including Orfeus & Euridyce and Madama Butterfly.

#### **Royal Opera House, London:**

**[www.roh.org.uk](http://www.roh.org.uk)** Clips and highlights from recent opera and ballet performances, rehearsals and masterclasses by Sir Antonio Pappano, Joyce DiDonato, Gwyneth Jones and Sir Mark Elder among many others all via the YouTube channel.

#### **Glyndebourne Festival Opera:**

**[www.glyndebourne.com/on-screen/](http://www.glyndebourne.com/on-screen/)** performances, clips and behind the scenes interviews from the Sussex countryside. Evening dress optional.

#### **Berliner Philharmoniker Orchestra:**

**[www.digitalconcerthall.com](http://www.digitalconcerthall.com)** 40 recent concerts and over 100 from the archives plus background videos, including interviews with famous conductors including Sir Simon

Rattle and Zubin Mehta among others. Normally a charge but currently there is a redeemable voucher on the website which makes it free.

**Seattle Symphony:**

[www.seattlesymphony.org](http://www.seattlesymphony.org) free streaming of recent concerts including Dvorak's 8th Symphony and other background information.

And locally here on Mallorca: Our collaboration partner:

**Acadèmia 1830, Palme de Mallorca:**

<https://www.facebook.com/fernando.marina.524/videos/10221553858493931/?d=n> A clip from a recent rehearsal of the Gloria from Bach's Mass in B minor performed in Saint Felip Neri in Palma. More clips promised soon.

And on a lighter note:

**Brighthouse & Rastrick Brass Band:**

<https://www.facebook.com/84352476121/posts/10158525832291122/?vh=e&d=n> The band play their signature adaptation of The Floral Dance, virtually.

***Worldwide Lists of Concerts:***

**NPR - National Public Radio:**

<https://www.npr.org/2020/03/17/816504058/a-list-of-live-virtual-concerts-to-watch-during-the-coronavirus-shutdown> Updated frequently and includes International Piano Day and Bach 'Cello Suites through links to Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts.

**IanVisits:**

<https://www.ianvisits.co.uk/blog/2020/03/28/isolationists-online-videos-of-theatre-plays-and-musicals/> Many more listings of musical performances, dance, plays around the world. Some are free to view, and some have a small charge.

***Theatres:***

**National Theatre Live:**

[https://www.whatsonstage.com/london-theatre/news/national-theatre-live-youtube-free-stream\\_51268.html?utm\\_source=facebook&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_campaign=26march2020&fbclid=IwAR2PwD5n1IkVGIMAHW-CM-OOVPwRN1Q0D7bTxQYHOI7IbHUVSl0yN4g29wY](https://www.whatsonstage.com/london-theatre/news/national-theatre-live-youtube-free-stream_51268.html?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=26march2020&fbclid=IwAR2PwD5n1IkVGIMAHW-CM-OOVPwRN1Q0D7bTxQYHOI7IbHUVSl0yN4g29wY)

Every Thursday, starting from April 2nd the National Theatre in London streams recent productions. The first is One Man Two Guvnors a highly acclaimed play starring James Corden. Later productions include Twelfth Night, a wonderfully refreshing and innovative production with the stunning Tamsin Greig in a gender-swapping role as Malvolia in yellow tights.

**Sir Patrick Stewart:** Distinguished British actor, equally at home on the Shakespearian stage or in space, reads A Sonnet a Day - on his Twitter feed (@SirPatStew).

***Museums:***

<https://www.timeout.com/travel/virtual-museum-tours>

Landmark museums across the world have opened their doors to virtual visitors including the British Museum in London, Rijks Museum in Amsterdam, MOMA and the Guggenheim in New York, Musée d'Orsay in Paris, the Picasso in Barcelona, the Prada in Madrid, the Uffizi in Florence and many others. All are listed on this website. A good way to avoid the queues.

### ***Radio:***

**BBC Sounds** is freely available via [www.bbc.co.uk](http://www.bbc.co.uk) or via the **BBC Sounds** app on your 'phone. All the BBC's radio stations are there and freely accessible. BBC Radio Three, which normally broadcasts a live Afternoon Concert is instead raiding the archives for concerts from around the UK, previously broadcast in this series.

### **And when we are all through this....**

Once live concerts are allowed, visit <https://www.meetup.com/Palma-Classical-Music-Meetup/>, sign up as a member (it's free and without obligation) to see what our local orchestras are planning. We normally follow Orquestra Simfónica Illes Balears, Acadèmia 1830 and SimfoVents Palma who, along with other orchestras, choirs and musicians put on seasons of concerts throughout the year, in Palma and throughout Mallorca.

All the above is constantly evolving as more arts venues realise the value of staying in touch with their patrons through virtual cultural offerings - so stay tuned for updates!

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