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**World-renowned Opera Soprano, Sarah Arneson, to perform in Red Cloud**

(RED CLOUD, NEB.)– Sarah Arneson is a Red Cloud native who has harnessed her astounding singing talents and followed her dreams. Arneson, accompanied by her husband pianist George Kern, will perform at the Red Cloud Opera House on Saturday, October 3, at 7:00 p.m. The show will be preceded by an artist reception for Patricia Sarborough, whose work is currently on display in the Art Gallery. After viewing the awe-inspiring paintings and hearing the breathtaking performance, guests are encouraged to attend a meet and greet with Arneson and Kern.

The one hour concert features many composers who were alive during Willa Cather's lifetime, including one of her favorite composers, Giacomo Puccini. Arneson and Kern will perform songs and piano music of Brahms, Liszt, and Mozart, as well as arias from Weill's *Street Scene* and Puccini's *Madama Butterfly*.

Sarah Arneson has been an Associate Professor of Voice at many prestigious educational institutions across the United States. She has been a regular soloist in the opera houses of Berlin, Cologne, Dresden, Dusseldorf, Frankfurt, Munich, and Stuttgart. She has appeared with the Boston and Detroit Operas and was a soloist in the world premiere of Pulitzer Prize winner William Bolcom's *Songs of Innocence and Experience*. Sarah also founded an award-winning chamber opera program for young singers with stage director Marc Andre Angelini. Arneson and her husband George Kern have performed all over the globe and have won countless awards. They have gained recognition from some of the most respected names in the opera community.

Please join us in welcoming Sarah Arneson to her hometown stage. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 day of show. For more information please call the Red Cloud Opera House at 402-746-2641 or visit [www.WillaCather.org](http://www.WillaCather.org). Programming for the Cather Foundation's Red Cloud Opera House is made possible with the support of Aleck & Frances Arneson Family Farms, Rick and Barb Kudrna, Heritage Bank, the Nebraska Arts Council, the Nebraska Cultural Endowment, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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