

# CIVICURE

Fundraiser on Saturday, July 26 at The Hoosac School

## Metropolitan Opera Star Presents Benefit Concert in Hoosick

Oren Gradus will present a concert of arias and show tunes to benefit CiviCure on Saturday, July 26, 2014. CiviCure is a Hoosick Falls non-profit organization driven by the mission of community revitalization through active stewardship of Hoosick's rich heritage and rural environs, and the various art forms inspired by them. Gradus' performance will support restoration of the live performance space in the Wood Block Building at 5 Main Street, where traveling and local artists once graced the two stages.



Oren Gradus

Oren Gradus, whose rich bass voice has been lauded as "full-bodied and sensitive", has appeared in some of the world's greatest opera houses. Notable venues in North America include New York's Metropolitan Opera, San Francisco Opera, Houston Grand Opera, Washington National Opera and the Canadian Opera in Toronto. European appearances include Teatro Comunale in Bologna, Opera Marseilles and the Liceu Opera House in Barcelona. Gradus can be seen in the *Great Performances* at the Met broadcast of *La Bohème*, televised by PBS affiliates on Friday, June 27 at 9:00pm.

Joining Gradus is lyric soprano Mariona Pallach, from Catalonia, Spain. A graduate of Barcelona Conservatory, she is an award-winning vocalist and voice instructor who has sung feature performances on the premier stages of Spain. In addition to singing arias, show tunes, Pallach will also perform music from her native land.



Mariona Pallach

The singers will be accompanied by Jennifer Peterson, a gifted pianist, opera coach, and accomplished conductor. She is the founder and director of *operamission*, based in New York City.

The concert is hosted by the Hoosac School which is celebrating its 125<sup>th</sup> year as an independent preparatory school in Hoosick. Reservations include a 7:00 pm reception with hors d'oeuvres on the East Lawn of the Tibbits Mansion, with its sweeping views. The concert begins at 8:00 pm in the auditorium. Please join us afterward for dessert and coffee, and an opportunity to meet the artists.

Tickets for the event are \$20. To attend this event, [please register online](#), or by phone at (518) 686-4258, or by email at [civicure@gmail.org](mailto:civicure@gmail.org).



### Donations

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