

Thu 20 August 2026, 4 to 11 p.m.

Open House on the Night of the Arts

The box office and Opera shop are open from 4 to 10 p.m. | The Opera Restaurant cafés are open in both ends of the Main Foyer and in the Almi Hall Foyer from 4 to 10 p.m. | The bar in Aino Lobby and the bar by the main entrance are open from 4 to 10 p.m. | The Tex-Mex food truck in the courtyard on the Mannerheimintie side is open from 3 to 11 p.m.

A ticket is required for the following events:

Admission is free for the following events:

Mini Opera: The Barber of Seville



Duration: 30 minutes, Almi Hall

A lively and joyful version of Rossini's classic opera, suitable for all ages from pre-schoolers upwards. The Mini Opera is performed in Finnish. Tickets are given out in advance online the day before. Any remaining tickets will be allocated on the day, just before each performance. Tickets are checked at the Almi Hall entrance.

Schedule:

Arrival by 4 p.m.,
performance at 4:15 p.m.

Arrival by 5:30 p.m.,
performance at 5:45 p.m.

Arrival by 7 p.m.,
performance at 7:15 p.m.

Guided tours

Duration: 60 minutes, Opera House

Look behind the scenes of the Opera House on a guided tour. Tickets are distributed at the ticket point in Aino Lobby on the day of the event, 30 minutes before each tour begins. See the map for the location of the ticket point. Each tour group is limited to 20 participants. Maximum 2 tickets per person.

Tour schedule:

4:30 p.m. 2 Finnish language groups,
tickets from 4 p.m.

6 p.m. 2 groups, one in Finnish
and one in Swedish,
tickets from 5:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m. 2 groups, one in Finnish
and one in English,
tickets from 7 p.m.

CRAFT WORKSHOP

**Alfons Lobby, cloakroom D,
4 to 8 p.m.**



A drop-in craft workshop for children, inspired by the Magic Moment performance. Make your own magic wand!

CHILDREN'S BALLET CLASS

**Almi Hall Foyer, 5 to 5:25 p.m.
and 6:30 to 6:55 p.m.**



Children's own ballet class to explore the steps and skills of ballet. No prior experience needed!

PROPS STATION: STEP INTO THE WORLD OF ILLUSION

Almi Hall Foyer, 4 to 8 p.m.



Discover props: the different items used on stage in Opera and Ballet productions.

COSTUME FITTING AND PHOTO WALL

Balcony Foyer, 4 to 7 p.m.

Try on costumes from the Opera and Ballet wardrobe and snap a happy selfie as a souvenir.

VIRTUAL STAGE

Main Foyer, 4 to 9 p.m.

Try out our Virtual Stage tool and step onto a digital stage.

HANDEL HITS – LIVE WITH FIBO!

**Main Foyer, 4:15 to 4:45 p.m.,
5:15 to 5:45 p.m. and 6:15 to 6:45 p.m.**
Enjoy baroque music performed by the musicians of FiBO.

FINNISH NATIONAL BALLET'S DANCE CHALLENGE

Main Foyer, 4:45, 6, 7 and 8 p.m.

Master a dance challenge choreographed by Reija Wäre, led by the vocational students of the Ballet School.

JAVIER'S BALLET CLASS

**Outdoor stage (Mannerheimintie side),
5 to 5:45 p.m.**

Join a ballet class with Javier Torres, Artistic Director of the Finnish National Ballet. No prior experience needed! Trainers recommended.

FLEA MARKET

**Costume storage, from 5 p.m.
(open until 8 p.m. or until sold out)**

Come and find unique treasures at the flea market of the Finnish National Opera and Ballet costume department. Entrance on the Töölönlahti side.

MAKE-UP DEMONSTRATION

Aino Lobby, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Watch how professionals apply stage make-up and prepare wigs for performers. Wig exhibition open until 8 p.m.

OAF

Main Foyer, 4 to 8 p.m.

Outsider Art Festival OAF invites everyone to create HOPE. What gives you hope? Look inside and out! Programme provided by OAF.

OAF X AMPHITHEATRE

Amphitheatre, 6 to 8 p.m.

Programme includes an outsider art tour around Töölönlahti Bay, a drum tribute by park drummer Jarmo, and Dash Che / Pekka Suomalainen – An Ordinary Finnish Man. Programme provided by OAF.

MAGIC MOMENT



**Outdoor stage (Mannerheimintie side),
6:15 to 6:45 p.m. and 7:15 to 7:45 p.m.**

Discover the magic of dance with Cinderella! Magic Moment is an interactive performance based on the beloved story of Cinderella.

SING-ALONG

Main Foyer, 7:15 to 7:45 p.m. and 8:30 to 9 p.m.

Sing the greatest hits from the world of opera with the singers of the Finnish National Opera.

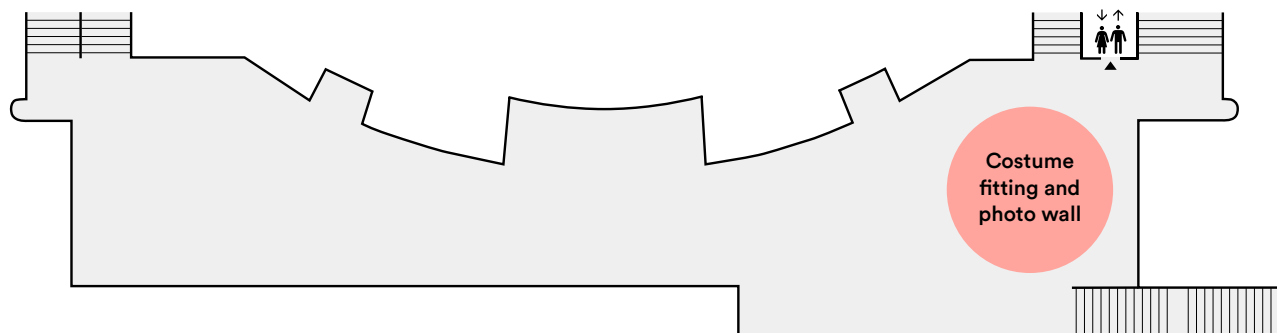
NIGHT OF THE ARTS AT THE FINNISH NATIONAL OPERA AND BALLET

Outdoor stage (Mannerheimintie side), 10 to 11 p.m.

The Night of the Arts culminates in a selection of highlights from the season's programme. Hosted by the Artistic Directors of the Opera and Ballet, Javier Torres and Thomas de Mallet Burgess.

Host: Christoffer Strandberg.

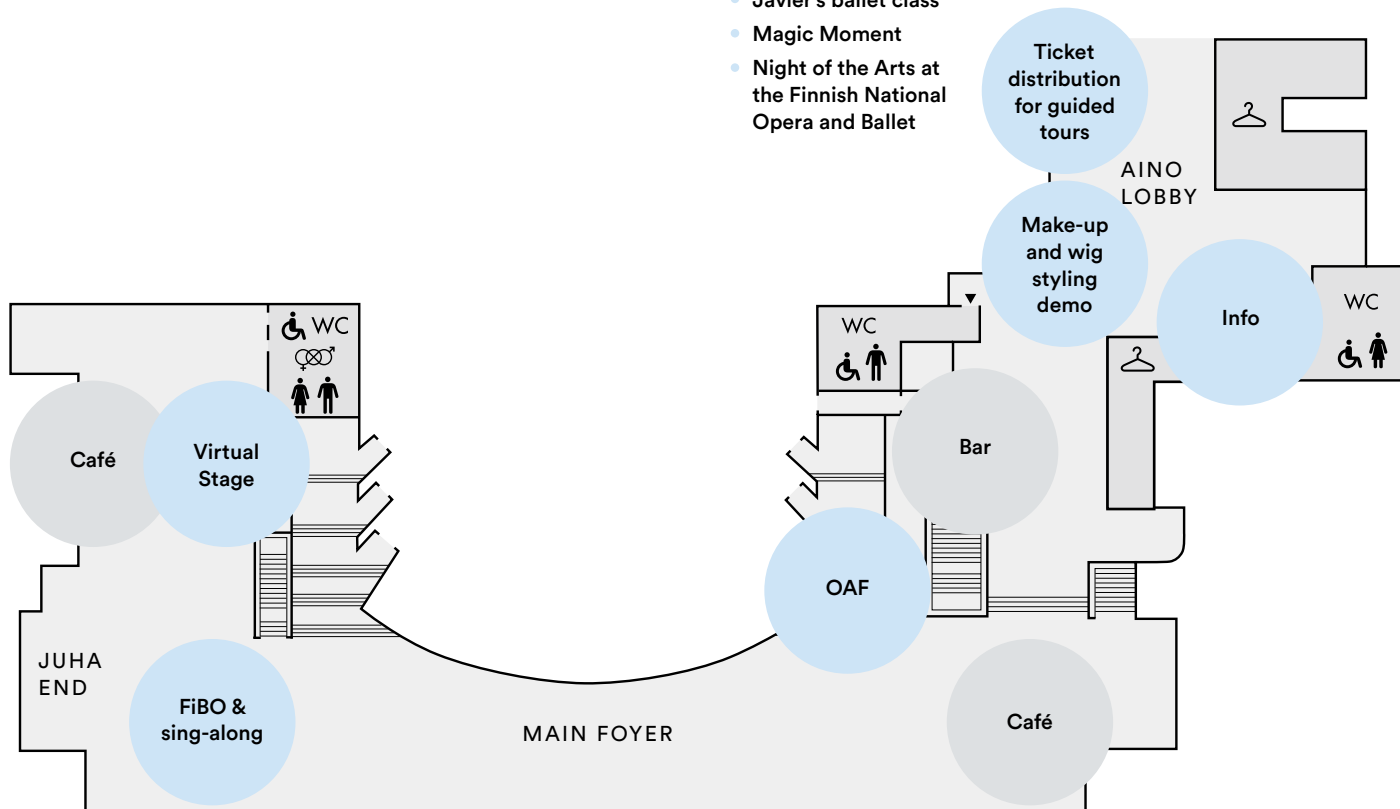
Please note: The programme is subject to change.



OUTDOOR STAGE

ENTRANCE
Mannerheimintie

- **Javier's ballet class**
- **Magic Moment**
- **Night of the Arts at the Finnish National Opera and Ballet**



ALMI HALL

