

# Octavio Cardenas, stage director

## OPERATIC REPERTOIRE DIRECTED

La rondine	Puccini	Minnesota Opera	2018
The Tender Land	Copland	Des Moines Metro Opera	2018
Falstaff	Verdi	Intermountain Opera	2018
Turandot	Puccini	Mississippi Opera	2018
Bless Me, Ultima (world premiere)	Armienta	Opera Southwest	2018
Lucinda y las Flores de la Nochebuena	Mack	Opera in the Heights	2017
María de Buenos Aires	Piazzolla	Pensacola Opera	2017
La fille du régiment	Donizetti	Opera in the Heights	2017
María de Buenos Aires	Piazzolla	Des Moines Metro Opera	2017
La bohème	Puccini	Minnesota Opera	2017
La finta giardiniera	Mozart	Baylor Opera	2017
Galileo Galilei	Glass	Des Moines Metro Opera	2016
Carmen	Bizet	Opera Santa Barbara	2016
María de Buenos Aires	Piazzolla	Opera Grand Rapids	2016
Florencia en el Amazonas	Catán	Tulsa Opera YAP Program	2016
Die Fledermaus	J. Strauss	Baylor Opera	2016
As One	Kaminsky	UrbanArias	2015
Rappaccini's Daughter	Catán	Des Moines Metro Opera	2015
Silent Night	Puts	Lyric Opera of Kansas City	2015
L'elisir d'amore	Donizetti	Baylor Opera	2015
The Magic Flute	Mozart	Opera NEO	2014
Silent Night	Puts	Fort Worth Opera	2014
The Turn of the Screw	Britten	Baylor Opera	2013
Dialogues of the Carmelites	Poulenc	Baylor Opera	2013
Rita	Donizetti	Baylor Opera	2012
The Giver	Kander	Minnesota Opera	2012
Susannah	Floyd	Loyola University, New Orleans	2011
Opera Scenes	Various	Chautauqua Opera	2010
Opera goes underground	Various	Minnesota Opera Cabaret	2010
Les pêcheurs de perles	Bizet	Minnesota Opera (Sinclair production)	2009
Opera Scenes	Various	Chautauqua Opera	2009
Brundibár	Krásá	Minnesota Opera	2009
The Impresario	Mozart	Butler Opera Center	2008

## POSITIONS HELD

Director of Baylor Opera	School of Music, Baylor University	2012-2017
Head of Directing Staff	Des Moines Metro Opera	2014-2018
Resident Artist Stage Director	Minnesota Opera	2008-2012

## ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Moby-Dick (Kristine McIntyre)	Heggie	Utah Opera	2018
Billy Budd (Kristine McIntyre)	Britten	Des Moines Metro Opera	2017
Falstaff (Tomer Zvulun)	Verdi	Des Moines Metro Opera	2016
Jenufa (Kristine McIntyre)	Janacek	Des Moines Metro Opera	2015

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Dead Man Walking (Kristine McIntyre)	Heggie	Des Moines Metro Opera	2014
Tosca (Michael Cavanagh)	Puccini	Austin Lyric Opera	2014
Peter Grimes (Kristine McIntyre)	Britten	Des Moines Metro Opera	2013
Silent Night (Eric Simonson)	Puts	Opera of Philadelphia	2013
Eugene Onegin (Kristin McIntyre)	Tchaikovsky	Des Moines Metro Opera	2012
Madame Butterfly (E. Reed Fisher)	Puccini	Minnesota Opera	2012
Lucia di Lammermoor (James Robinson)	Donizetti	Minnesota Opera	2012
Werther (Kevin Newbury)	Massenet	Minnesota Opera	2012
Silent Night (Eric Simonson)	Puts	Minnesota Opera	2011
Così fan tutte (Peter Rothstein)	Mozart	Minnesota Opera	2011
Don Pasquale (A. Scott Parry)	Donizetti	Des Moines Metro Opera	2011
Wuthering Heights (Eric Simonson)	Floyd	Minnesota Opera	2011
La Traviata (Lawrence Edelson)	Verdi	Minnesota Opera	2011
La Cenerentola (Doug Varone)	Rossini	Minnesota Opera	2010
Cavalleria rusticana/Pagliacci (Jay Lesenger)	Mascagni/Leoncavallo	Chautauqua Opera	2010
Norma (Jay Lesenger)	Bellini	Chautauqua Opera	2010
Salome (David Lefkovich)	R. Strauss	Minnesota Opera	2010
La bohème (Justin Way)	Puccini	Minnesota Opera	2010
Roberto Devereux (Kevin Newbury)	Donizetti	Minnesota Opera	2010
Casanova's Homecoming (James Robinson)	Argento	Minnesota Opera	2009
Les pêcheurs de perles (Andrew Sinclair)	Bizet	Minnesota Opera	2009
Tosca (Henry Akina)	Puccini	Chautauqua Opera	2009
Il barbiere di Siviglia (Kevin Newbury)	Rossini	Minnesota Opera	2009
The Adventures of Pinocchio (Martin Duncan)	Dove	Minnesota Opera	2009
Faust (Doug Varone)	Gounod	Minnesota Opera	2008
Die Entführung aus dem Serail (Elise Sandell)	Mozart	Minnesota Opera	2008
Il trovatore (Kevin Newbury)	Verdi	Minnesota Opera	2008
Così fan tutte (Jay Lessenger)	Mozart	Chautauqua Opera	2008
La Traviata (A. Scott Parry)	Verdi	Chautauqua Opera	2008

## TRAINING

Master of Fine Arts in Acting  
Master of Music in Vocal Performance  
Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance

UCLA School of Theater Film and Television  
University of South Carolina  
Centenary College of Louisiana