

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

Form 990

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

2017

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Do not enter Social Security numbers on this form as it may be made public. Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07/01, 2017, and ending 06/30, 2018

Form 990 header section containing organization name (OPERA AMERICA, INC.), EIN (20-3520577), address (330 SEVENTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10001), principal officer (MARC SCORCA), and tax-exempt status (501(c)(3)).

Part I Summary

Summary table with columns for Activities & Governance, Revenue, Expenses, and Net Assets or Fund Balances. Includes rows for mission statement, membership counts, revenue (Total: 5,846,989), expenses (Total: 6,899,139), and net assets (Total: 16,981,798).

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

Signature block section with fields for officer signature, preparer name (CANDICE METH), date (5/13/2019), and firm information (EISNERAMPER LLP).

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) [X] Yes [] No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

Form 990 (2017)

Application for Automatic Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

► **File a separate application for each return.**
► **Information about Form 8868 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form8868.**

Electronic filing (e-file). You can electronically file Form 8868 to request a 6-month automatic extension of time to file any of the forms listed below with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, for which an extension request must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit www.irs.gov/efile, click on Charities & Non-Profits, and click on e-file for Charities and Non-Profits.

Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time. Only submit original (no copies needed).

All corporations required to file an income tax return other than Form 990-T (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.

Type or print <small>File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions.</small>	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions. OPERA AMERICA, INC.	<small>Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions</small> Employer identification number (EIN) or 20-3520577
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions. 330 SEVENTH AVENUE	Social security number (SSN)
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. NEW YORK, NY 10001	

Enter the Return Code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return) 0 1

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	Form 4720 (other than individual)	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

SUSAN SCHULTZ

- The books are in the care of ► 330 SEVENTH AVENUE NEW YORK NY 10001

Telephone No. ► 212 796-8620

Fax No. ► 212 796-8631

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) _____ . If this is for the whole group, check this box . If it is for part of the group, check this box and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

1 I request an automatic 6-month extension of time until 05/15, 2019, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

- calendar year 20____ or
- tax year beginning 07/01, 2017, and ending 06/30, 2018.

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason: Initial return Final return Change in accounting period

3a If this application is for Forms 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$ 0.
b If this application is for Forms 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit.	3b	\$ 0.
c Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	3c	\$ 0.

Caution. If you are going to make an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions.

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

ATTACHMENT 1

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? [] Yes [X] No

[] Yes [X] No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? [] Yes [X] No

[] Yes [X] No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses \$ 1,395,625. including grants of \$ 1,188,472.) (Revenue \$)

INNOVATIONS AND CIVIC PRACTICE - OPERA AMERICA'S AUDIENCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM SUPPORTS PROFESSIONAL COMPANY MEMBERS IN IMPLEMENTING INNOVATIVE PROJECTS IN OPERA'S MOST IMPORTANT AREAS OF PRACTICE, INCLUDING AUDIENCE EXPERIENCE, COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS AND ARTISTIC VITALITY. THE PROGRAM ENABLES COMPANIES TO INCREASE THEIR INVESTMENT IN EXPERIMENTATION AND INNOVATION, AND CONTRIBUTE TO FIELD-WIDE LEARNING.

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 1,898,266. including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 973,108.)

NATIONAL OPERA CENTER - OPERA AMERICA'S NATIONAL OPERA CENTER IS A STATE-OF-THE-ART RENTAL FACILITY FOR THE OPERA COMMUNITY AND ALSO HOUSES THE ORGANIZATION'S ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES. CUSTOM-BUILT TO RESPOND TO THE INDUSTRY'S NEED FOR SUITABLE AUDITION, REHEARSAL AND RECORDING FACILITIES, SPECIALLY EQUIPPED ROOMS FACILITATE CO-PRODUCTION MEETINGS, DESIGN PRESENTATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES, AS WELL AS A WIDE RANGE OF ARTISTIC WORK - FROM PERFORMANCES TO READINGS OF NEW WORKS AND LECTURES. STATE-OF-THE-ART ELECTRONIC MEDIA TECHNOLOGY FOR STREAMING AND VIDEO CONFERENCE OVERCOMES THE BARRIER OF GEOGRAPHY FOR THIS WIDELY DISPERSED, YET HIGHLY COLLABORATIVE, INDUSTRY.

4c (Code:) (Expenses \$ 958,837. including grants of \$ 504,400.) (Revenue \$ 45,756.)

ATTACHMENT 2

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.) ATTACHMENT 3 (Expenses \$ 1,524,580. including grants of \$ 12,988.) (Revenue \$ 1,048,957.)

4e Total program service expenses 5,777,308.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 19 regarding organizational requirements and reporting.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, and Yes/No checkboxes. Rows include questions 20a through 38 regarding hospital facilities, financial statements, grants, compensation, tax-exempt bonds, and organizational transactions.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V [X]

Table with columns for question number, question text, sub-questions (1a-14b), Yes, and No. Includes questions about Form 1096, Form W-2G, Form W-3, Form 990-T, Form 8886-T, Form 8282, Form 8899, Form 1098-C, Form 4966, Form 720, and Form 702.

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI [X]

Section A. Governing Body and Management

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include 1a (38), 1b (37), 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7b, 8a, 8b, 9.

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include 10a, 10b, 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b, 12c, 13, 14, 15a, 15b, 16a, 16b.

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed NY,
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records:
MICHAEL MANDIC 330 SEVENTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10001 212-796-8620

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII.

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1)TIMOTHY O'LEARY CHAIRMAN	1.00 0.	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(2)KATHRYN SMITH VICE CHAIRMAN	1.00 0.	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(3)PERRYN LEECH VICE-CHAIRMAN	1.00 0.	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(4)SUSAN MORRIS VICE-CHAIRMAN	1.00 0.	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(5)MARC A. SCORCA PRESIDENT & CEO	40.00 0.	X		X			281,680.	0.	39,180.	0.
(6)EVAN J. HAZELL TREASURER	1.00 0.	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(7)WILLIAM FLORESCU SECRETARY	1.00 0.	X		X				0.	0.	0.
(8)DANIEL BIAGGI DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(9)NED CANTY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(10)MICHAEL W. EGEL DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(11)LAURA KAMINSKY DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(12)BILL PALANT DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(13)JANE DIRENZO PIGOTT DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(14)CHRISTOPHER HAHN DIRECTOR	1.00 0.	X						0.	0.	0.

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15) YUVAL SHARON ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(16) BARBARA LEIRVIK ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(17) ROBERT ELLIS ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(18) WAYNE S. BROWN ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(19) JOHN G. TURNER ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(20) LARRY DESROCHERS ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(21) ESTHER NELSON ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(22) RENA M. DE SISTO ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(23) CHARLES MACKAY ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(24) FRANCESCA ZAMBELLO ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
(25) JAMES A. FELDMAN ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X					0.	0.	0.	
1b Sub-total							281,680.	0.	39,180.	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							321,626.	0.	33,506.	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							603,306.	0.	72,686.	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **▶ 4**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization **▶ 0.**

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(26) JOHN E. BAUMGARDNER, JR. ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(27) ZIZI MUELLER ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(28) NICOLE PAIEMENT ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(29) JILL STEINBERG ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(30) DONA VAUGHN ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(31) BARBARA GLAUBER ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(32) DAVID B. DEVAN ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(33) CAROL E. DOMINA ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(34) DENYCE GRAVES-MONTGOMERY ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(35) CAROL LAZIER ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(36) JOHN NESHOLM ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
1b Sub-total										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)										

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **▶** 4

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

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(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization **▶**

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(37) MATTHEW SHILVOCK ----- DIRECTOR	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(38) FRAYDA B. LINDEMANN, PH.D. ----- IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN	1.00 ----- 0.	X						0.	0.	0.
(39) MICHAEL MANDIC ----- DIR. OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS	40.00 ----- 0.			X				0.	0.	0.
(40) KURT HOWARD ----- MANAGING DIRECTOR	40.00 ----- 0.					X		114,995.	0.	11,753.
(41) DANIEL COOPERMAN ----- DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR	40.00 ----- 0.					X		106,057.	0.	13,564.
(42) KEVIN SOBCZYK ----- DIRECTOR OF IT	40.00 ----- 0.					X		100,574.	0.	8,189.
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1b Sub-total										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)										

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 4

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		X

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(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ▶

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII.

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b					
	c Fundraising events	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e	119,100.				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	2,921,646.				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f			3,040,746.			
Program Service Revenue		Business Code					
	2a SEMINARS WORKSHOPS AND ANNUAL MEETING	611430		333,758.	333,758.		
	b PUBLICATION AND WEB ADVERTISING	541800		82,731.	1,601.	81,130.	
	c MEMBERSHIP DUES	711190		759,354.	759,354.		
	d NATIONAL OPERA CENTER OPERATIONS	711190		973,108.	973,108.		
	e						
	f All other program service revenue						
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f			2,148,951.				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts).			426,056.			426,056.
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds			0.			
	5 Royalties			0.			
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal				
	6a Gross rents						
	b Less: rental expenses						
	c Rental income or (loss)						
	d Net rental income or (loss)			0.			
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other				
		5,140,338.					
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses			4,931,590.			
	c Gain or (loss)			208,748.			
	d Net gain or (loss)			208,748.			208,748.
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a					
	b Less: direct expenses	b					
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events			0.				
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a						
b Less: direct expenses	b						
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities			0.				
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a						
b Less: cost of goods sold	b						
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory			0.				
Miscellaneous Revenue			Business Code				
11a MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	900099		22,488.	22,488.			
b							
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d			22,488.				
12 Total revenue. See instructions.			5,846,989.	2,090,309.	81,130.	634,804.	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21	1,445,843.	1,445,843.		
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22	110,017.	110,017.		
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	150,000.	150,000.		
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0.			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	410,511.	284,699.	79,513.	46,299.
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0.			
7 Other salaries and wages	1,503,925.	1,223,804.	120,974.	159,147.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	30,825.	24,977.	2,192.	3,656.
9 Other employee benefits	150,710.	119,010.	15,822.	15,878.
10 Payroll taxes	237,490.	187,419.	20,154.	29,917.
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	0.			
b Legal	1,558.	1,558.		
c Accounting	34,000.		34,000.	
d Lobbying	16,505.	16,505.		
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.	0.			
f Investment management fees	126,406.		126,406.	
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	362,577.	302,522.	22,705.	37,350.
12 Advertising and promotion	71,556.	71,556.		
13 Office expenses	197,358.	103,162.	55,428.	38,768.
14 Information technology	32,645.	24,279.	3,471.	4,895.
15 Royalties	0.			
16 Occupancy	987,388.	985,084.	2,304.	
17 Travel	118,473.	84,136.	17,097.	17,240.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0.			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	133,082.	133,082.		
20 Interest	50,225.		50,225.	
21 Payments to affiliates	0.			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	358,095.	350,516.	7,579.	
23 Insurance	26,184.	25,876.	308.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a DUES & MEMBERSHIP FEES	2,863.	2,464.		399.
b SUBSCRIPTIONS	3,611.	3,352.	113.	146.
c MEALS AND RELATED COSTS	261,242.	77,255.	29,892.	154,095.
d PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	1,552.	1,120.	314.	118.
e All other expenses	74,498.	49,072.	13,745.	11,681.
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	6,899,139.	5,777,308.	602,242.	519,589.
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)	0.			

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X.

		(A)		(B)		
		Beginning of year		End of year		
Assets	1 Cash - non-interest-bearing	908,543.	1	2,026,244.		
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	18,494.	2	537,678.		
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	5,193,327.	3	3,576,081.		
	4 Accounts receivable, net	336,319.	4	538,762.		
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	5	0.		
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	6	0.		
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	0.	7	0.		
	8 Inventories for sale or use	0.	8	0.		
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	84,925.	9	115,571.		
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 6,346,646.				
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 2,419,683.	4,281,754.	10c	3,926,963.	
	11 Investments - publicly traded securities	12,483,244.	11	11,767,074.		
	12 Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0.	12	0.		
	13 Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0.	13	0.		
	14 Intangible assets	0.	14	0.		
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	132,170.	15	132,170.		
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	23,438,776.	16	22,620,543.			
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	133,873.	17	279,940.		
	18 Grants payable	2,251,326.	18	2,232,012.		
	19 Deferred revenue	26,076.	19	39,056.		
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	0.	20	0.		
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D	0.	21	0.		
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L	0.	22	0.		
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0.	23	999,500.		
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	1,544,141.	24	500,000.		
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	1,544,959.	25	1,588,237.		
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	5,500,375.	26	5,638,745.		
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.					
	27 Unrestricted net assets	622,473.	27	718,465.		
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	6,415,721.	28	5,344,559.		
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	10,900,207.	29	10,918,774.		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.					
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30			
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31			
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32			
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	17,938,401.	33	16,981,798.		
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	23,438,776.	34	22,620,543.			

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI.

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	5,846,989.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	6,899,139.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-1,052,150.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	17,938,401.
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	47,438.
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	0.
7	Investment expenses	7	0.
8	Prior period adjustments	8	0.
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	48,109.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	16,981,798.

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII.

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual Other _____
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- c** If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- 3a** As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?
- b** If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits.

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a		X
3b		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

OPERA AMERICA, INC.

Employer identification number

20-3520577

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ).)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**.
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 8 A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**. (Complete Part II.)
- 9 An agricultural research organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix)** operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or university: _____
- 10 An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3 % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3 % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III.)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4)**.
- 12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2)**. See **section 509(a)(3)**.
Check the box in lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g.
 - a **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
 - b **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
 - c **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
 - d **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
 - e Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations.

g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-10 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2013, (b) 2014, (c) 2015, (d) 2016, (e) 2017, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 4 Total; 5 The portion of total contributions by each person; 6 Public support.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2013, (b) 2014, (c) 2015, (d) 2016, (e) 2017, (f) Total. Rows include: 7 Amounts from line 4; 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 9 Net income from unrelated business activities; 10 Other income; 11 Total support; 12 Gross receipts from related activities; 13 First five years.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Percentage. Rows include: 14 Public support percentage for 2017 (51.20%); 15 Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 (52.14%); 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2017 (checked); 16b 33 1/3% support test - 2016; 17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2017; 17b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2016; 18 Private foundation.

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.
If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2013, (b) 2014, (c) 2015, (d) 2016, (e) 2017, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 7c Add lines 7a and 7b; 8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2013, (b) 2014, (c) 2015, (d) 2016, (e) 2017, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 10c Add lines 10a and 10b; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b; 12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets; 13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.); 14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here.

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Description, 2017, 2016. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2017 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)). Row 16: Public support percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 15.

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 3 columns: Description, 2017, 2016. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2017 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)). Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2016 Schedule A, Part III, line 17.

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2017. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.

19b 33 1/3% support tests - 2016. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions.

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked 12a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 12b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 12c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 12d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.</i>		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked 12a or 12b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.</i>		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.</i>		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.</i>		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).</i>		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ).</i>		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer 10b below.</i>		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

		Yes	No
11	Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a	A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
b	A family member of a person described in (a) above?		
c	A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI .		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.		
2	Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

		Yes	No
1	Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2	Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).		
3	By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.		

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

1	Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).		
a	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
b	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
c	<input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2	Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a	Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.		
b	Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.		
3	Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a	Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in Part VI .		
b	Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1 Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970 (explain in Part VI). **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E.

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1		
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4 Add lines 1 through 3.	4		
5 Depreciation and depletion	5		
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4).	8		

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year):			
a Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d		
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI):			
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2		
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3		
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4		
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5		
6 Multiply line 5 by .035.	6		
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7		
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8		

Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1		
2 Enter 85% of line 1.	2		
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3		
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4		
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6		

7 Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	
9 Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2017	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2017
1 Distributable amount for 2017 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2017 (reasonable cause required-explain in Part VI). See instructions.			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2017			
a			
b From 2013			
c From 2014			
d From 2015			
e From 2016			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2012 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f.			
4 Distributions for 2017 from Section D, line 7: \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2017 distributable amount			
c Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2017, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2017. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2018. Add lines 3j and 4c.			
8 Breakdown of line 7:			
a Excess from 2013			
b Excess from 2014			
c Excess from 2015			
d Excess from 2016			
e Excess from 2017			

Part VI **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

OTHER INCOME

OTHER INCOME REPRESENTS AMOUNTS EARNED IN THE CONDUCT OF THE
ORGANIZATION'S EXEMPT MISSION.

Schedule of Contributors

2017

▶ Attach to Form 990, Form 990-EZ, or Form 990-PF.
▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for the latest information.

Name of the organization
OPERA AMERICA, INC.

Employer identification number
20-3520577

Organization type (check one):

Filers of:

Section:

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)(3) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

Note: Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

General Rule

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

Special Rules

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3 % support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000; or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I, II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ▶ \$ _____

Caution: An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

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Part I Contributors (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1		\$ 150,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2		\$ 325,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3		\$ 360,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4		\$ 150,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5		\$ 110,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6		\$ 100,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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Part I **Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7		\$ 90,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
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		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
		\$	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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Part II Noncash Property (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
_____	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____

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Part III *Exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this information once. See instructions.) ► \$ _____
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
_____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____ _____ _____		_____ _____ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
_____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____ _____ _____		_____ _____ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
_____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____ _____ _____		_____ _____ _____	
(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
_____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
_____ _____ _____		_____ _____ _____	

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2017

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For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

- ▶ **Complete if the organization is described below.**
- ▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**
- ▶ **Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV. (see instructions for definition of "political campaign activities")
- 2 Political campaign activity expenditures (see instructions) ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities (see instructions)

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955. ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$ _____
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? Yes No
- 4a Was a correction made? Yes No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities. ▶ \$ _____
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$ _____
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$ _____
- 4 Did the filing organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year? Yes No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

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Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2017

Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

A Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).

B Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)														
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)														
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)														
d Other exempt purpose expenditures														
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)														
f Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width:35%; text-align:left;">If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</th> <th style="width:65%; text-align:left;">The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:													
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.													
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.													
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.													
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.													
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.													
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)														
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0-														
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0-														
j If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below.

See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column (e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots nontaxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

Table with 3 main columns: Description, (a) Yes/No, and (b) Amount. Rows include: 1 During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation...; a Volunteers?; b Paid staff or management...; c Media advertisements?; d Mailings to members...; e Publications...; f Grants to other organizations...; g Direct contact with legislators...; h Rallies, demonstrations...; i Other activities?; j Total...; 2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?; b If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912; c If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912; d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?

Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1 Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?; 2 Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?; 3 Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year?

Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No," OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members; 2 Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid); a Current year; b Carryover from last year; c Total; 3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues; 4 If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?; 5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)

Part IV Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions); and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

SEE PAGE 4

Part IV Supplemental Information *(continued)*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OPERA AMERICA EMPLOYS A PART-TIME GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS DIRECTOR, WHO IS A REGISTERED LOBBYIST, BASED IN WASHINGTON, D.C. ADDITIONALLY, OPERA AMERICA IS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE PERFORMING ARTS ALLIANCE, A LOBBYING ORGANIZATION BASED IN WASHINGTON, D.C. OPERA AMERICA'S PRESIDENT/CEO SERVES ON THE BOARD OF THE PERFORMING ARTS ALLIANCE. OPERA AMERICA IS NOT INVOLVED IN ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT POLITICAL CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES.

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No. 1545-0047

2017

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.

Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization

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Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 2 columns: (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include: 1 Total number at end of year, 2 Aggregate value of contributions to (during year), 3 Aggregate value of grants from (during year), 4 Aggregate value at end of year, 5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?, 6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 2 columns: Held at the End of the Tax Year. Rows include: 1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply), 2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year, 3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year, 4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located, 5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?, 6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year, 7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year, 8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?, 9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Table with 2 columns: Revenue, Assets. Rows include: 1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items. 1b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items: (i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1. (ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X. 2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items: a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1. b Assets included in Form 990, Part X.

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Schedule D (Form 990) 2017

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Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

- 3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
a Public exhibition
b Scholarly research
c Preservation for future generations
d Loan or exchange programs
e Other
4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?
b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
Table with columns: Amount, 1c Beginning balance, 1d Additions during the year, 1e Distributions during the year, 1f Ending balance
2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?
b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided on Part XIII

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

Table with 6 columns: (a) Current year, (b) Prior year, (c) Two years back, (d) Three years back, (e) Four years back. Rows include: 1a Beginning of year balance, b Contributions, c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses, d Grants or scholarships, e Other expenditures for facilities and programs, f Administrative expenses, g End of year balance.

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
a Board designated or quasi-endowment 1.3000 %
b Permanent endowment 13.2000 %
c Temporarily restricted endowment 85.5000 %
The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

- 3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

Table with 2 columns: Yes, No. Rows: 3a(i) unrelated organizations, 3a(ii) related organizations, 3b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

- 4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Table with 5 columns: (a) Cost or other basis (investment), (b) Cost or other basis (other), (c) Accumulated depreciation, (d) Book value. Rows include: 1a Land, b Buildings, c Leasehold improvements, d Equipment, e Other, Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c.)

Part VII Investments - Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other _____		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ►		

Part VIII Investments - Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ►		

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ►	

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value	
(1) Federal income taxes		
(2) DEFERRED RENT	1,588,237.	
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
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Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ►		

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

FORM 990, SCHEDULE D, PART V

THE ORGANIZATION'S ENDOWMENT CONSISTS OF VARIOUS DONOR-RESTRICTED FUNDS, AND A BOARD-DESIGNATED FUND ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSES OF FUNDING THE NATIONAL OPERA CENTER AND FOR ARTISTIC PROGRAMS.

FORM 990, SCHEDULE D, PART X, LINE 2

THE ORGANIZATION IS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD'S (THE "FASB") ACCOUNTING STANDARDS CODIFICATION ("ASC") TOPIC 740, INCOME TAXES, AS IT RELATES TO ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES. THE ORGANIZATION IS SUBJECT TO POTENTIAL EXCISE TAXES RELATING TO ITS ADVERTISING ACTIVITIES; HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF THE ORGANIZATION'S GENERAL TAX-EXEMPT STATUS, MANAGEMENT BELIEVES ASC TOPIC 740 HAS NOT HAD, AND IS NOT EXPECTED TO HAVE, A MATERIAL IMPACT ON THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

FORM 990, SCHEDULE D, PART XI, LINE 2D

RETURN OF GRANTS \$127,453.

FORM 990, SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 2D

THE ORGANIZATION INCURRED A LOSS ON UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS OF \$79,344 DURING THE FISCAL-YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018.

**SCHEDULE F
(Form 990)**

Statement of Activities Outside the United States

OMB No. 1545-0047

2017

Open to Public Inspection

- ▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.
- ▶ Attach to Form 990.
- ▶ Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

OPERA AMERICA, INC.

Employer identification number

20-3520577

Part I **General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

1 For grantmakers. Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of its grants and other assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? **Yes** **No**

2 For grantmakers. Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of its grants and other assistance outside the United States.

3 Activities per Region. (The following Part I, line 3 table can be duplicated if additional space is needed.)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees, agents, and independent contractors in the region	(d) Activities conducted in the region (by type) (such as, fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in the region	(f) Total expenditures for and investments in the region
(1) NORTH AMERICA	0.	0.	GRANTMAKING		150,000.
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
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(14)					
(15)					
(16)					
(17)					
3a Sub-total					150,000.
b Total from continuation sheets to Part I					
c Totals (add lines 3a and 3b)					150,000.

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Schedule F (Form 990) 2017

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Part II **Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of noncash assistance	(h) Description of noncash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)			NORTH AMERICA	INNOVATIONS	150,000.	CHECK			
(2)									
(3)									
(4)									
(5)									
(6)									
(7)									
(8)									
(9)									
(10)									
(11)									
(12)									
(13)									
(14)									
(15)									
(16)									

2 Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter **1.**

3 Enter total number of other organizations or entities

Part III **Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 16.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Region	(c) Number of recipients	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Manner of cash disbursement	(f) Amount of noncash assistance	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
(1)							
(2)							
(3)							
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(12)							
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(14)							
(15)							
(16)							
(17)							
(18)							

Part IV Foreign Forms

- 1 Was the organization a U.S. transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926, Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation (see Instructions for Form 926)* Yes No
- 2 Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 3520, Annual Return To Report Transactions With Foreign Trusts and Receipt of Certain Foreign Gifts, and/or Form 3520-A, Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust With a U.S. Owner (see Instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A; don't file with Form 990)* Yes No
- 3 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons With Respect To Certain Foreign Corporations (see Instructions for Form 5471)* Yes No
- 4 Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Information Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund (see Instructions for Form 8621)* Yes No
- 5 Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships (see Instructions for Form 8865)* Yes No
- 6 Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to separately file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see Instructions for Form 5713; don't file with Form 990)* Yes No

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide the information required by Part I, line 2 (monitoring of funds); Part I, line 3, column (f) (accounting method; amounts of investments vs. expenditures per region); Part II, line 1 (accounting method); Part III (accounting method); and Part III, column (c) (estimated number of recipients), as applicable. Also complete this part to provide any additional information (see instructions).

FORM 990, SCHEDULE F, PART I, LINE 2

THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES WRITTEN PROPOSALS FOR REQUESTS OF GRANTS FOR ARTISTIC PROGRAMS. THE GRANT REQUESTS ARE REVIEWED FOR COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLISHED GRANT GUIDELINES AND ARE APPROVED BY AN INDEPENDENT PANEL OF INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES.

FORM 990, SCHEDULE F, PART I, LINE 3 COLUMN (F)

AMOUNT REPORTED ON THE ACCRUAL BASIS.

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**

OMB No. 1545-0047

2017

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Name of the organization

OPERA AMERICA, INC.

Employer identification number

20-3520577

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) AMERICAN LYRIC THEATER 410 W. 42ND ST. NEW YORK, NY 10036	20-2990023	501(C)(3)	7,500.				NEW WORKS PRESENTATI
(2) AMERICAN OPERA PROJECTS 138 S. OXFORD ST. BROOKLYN, NY 11217	13-3081486	501(C)(3)	11,600.				INNOVATIONS
(3) ANCHORAGE OPERA 1507 SPAR AVE ANCHORAGE, AK 99501	51-0175124	501(C)(3)	10,000.				INNOVATIONS
(4) BETH MORRISON PROJECTS 666 OCEAN AVE., #D1 BROOKLYN, NY 11226	20-8422447	501(C)(3)	15,000.				REPERTOIRE DEVELOPME
(5) DALLAS OPERA 2403 FLORA ST., STE. 500 DALLAS, TX 75201	75-6004746	501(C)(3)	200,000.				INNOVATIONS
(6) GLIMMERGLASS FESTIVAL PO BOX 191 COOPERSTOWN, NY 13326	16-1053970	501(C)(3)	30,000.				REPERTOIRE DEVELOPME
(7) LONG BEACH OPERA 507 PACIFIC AVE LONG BEACH, CA 90802	95-3387074	501(C)(3)	20,000.				REPERTOIRE DEVELOPME
(8) MINNESOTA OPERA 620 N 1ST ST. MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	41-0946789	501(C)(3)	25,000.				REPERTOIRE DEVELOPME
(9) OPERA MEMPHIS 6745 WOLF RIVER PKWY. MEMPHIS, TN 38120	62-0785544	501(C)(3)	27,972.				INNOVATIONS
(10) OPERA PHILADELPHIA 1420 LOCUST ST., STE. 210	23-1504706	501(C)(3)	75,000.				INNOVATIONS
(11) PITTSBURGH OPERA 2425 LIBERTY AVE PITTSBURGH, PA 15222	25-1073139	501(C)(3)	150,000.				INNOVATIONS
(12) SAN DIEGO OPERA 233 A ST., #500 SAN DIEGO, CA 92101	95-6044429	501(C)(3)	150,000.				INNOVATIONS

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

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Schedule I (Form 990) (2017)

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
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Name of the organization

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

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Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) WASHINGTON OPERA 2700 F ST NW WASHINGTON, DC 20566	53-0237707	501(C)(3)	9,000.				COMMISSIONING
(2) HAYMARKET OPERA 1920 N. SEMINARY AVE. CHICAGO, IL 60614	27-4348359	501(C)(3)	20,000.				INNOVATIONS
(3) NASHVILLE OPERA 3622 REDMON ST. NASHVILLE, TN 37209	62-1119830	501(C)(3)	34,160.				INNOVATIONS
(4) NAUTILUS MUSIC-THEATER 308 PRINCE ST., STE 190 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	41-1721692	501(C)(3)	10,000.				INNOVATIONS
(5) NEW ORLEANS OPERA 935 GRAVIER ST., STE 140	72-0272897	501(C)(3)	83,720.				INNOVATIONS
(6) ON SITE OPERA PO BOX 231480 NEW YORK, NY 10023	46-3203280	501(C)(3)	10,000.				INNOVATIONS
(7) OPERA COLUMBUS 55 EAST STATE ST. COLUMBUS, OH 43215	31-1020676	501(C)(3)	37,990.				INNOVATIONS
(8) OPERA IN THE HEIGHTS PO BOX 7887 HOUSTON, TX 77270	76-0499709	501(C)(3)	11,330.				INNOVATIONS
(9) OPERA NORTH 20 WEST PARK ST. LEBANON, NJ 03766	22-2519789	501(C)(3)	26,700.				INNOVATIONS
(10) OPERA ON TAP 190 OCEAN PKWY., #3 BROOKLYN, NY 11218	20-4554125	501(C)(3)	10,000.				INNOVATIONS
(11) OPERA SAN LUIS OBISPO PO BOX 14760 SAN LUIS OBISPO, CA 93406	77-0086873	501(C)(3)	10,000.				INNOVATIONS
(12) OPERA THEATRE OF ST. LOUIS 210 HAZEL AVE. ST. LOUIS, MO 63119	43-0821958	501(C)(3)	150,000.				INNOVATIONS

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

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Schedule I (Form 990) (2017)

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
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Name of the organization

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) PACIFIC OPERA PROJECT 5040 ONTEORA WAY LOS ANGELES, CA 90041	45-3321212	501(C)(3)	10,000.				INNOVATIONS
(2) AMERICAN OPERA PROJECTS 138 S. OXFORD ST. BROOKLYN, NY 11217	13-3081486	501(C)(3)	25,000.				REPERTOIRE DEVELOPME
(3) BOSTON LYRIC OPERA 11 AVE DE LAFAYETTE BOSTON, MA 02111	04-2469627	501(C)(3)	16,000.				REPERTOIRE DEVELOPME
(4) METROPOLITAN OPERA LINCOLN CENTER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10023	13-1624087	501(C)(3)	34,000.				REPERTOIRE DEVELOPME
(5) OPERA COLUMBUS 55 E. STATE ST. COLUMBUS, OH 43215	31-1020676	501(C)(3)	20,000.				REPERTOIRE DEVELOPME
(6) OPERA THEATRE OF ST LOUIS 210 HAZEL AVE. ST. LOUIS, MO 63119	43-0821958	501(C)(3)	35,000.				REPERTOIRE DEVELOPME
(7) BETH MORRISON PROJECTS 666 OCEAN AVE. #D1 BROOKLYN, NY 11226	20-8422447	501(C)(3)	15,000.				COMMISSIONING
(8) ON SITE OPERA PO BOX 231480 NEW YORK, NY 10023	46-3203280	501(C)(3)	10,000.				COMMISSIONING
(9) OPERA ON TAP 190 OCEAN PARKWAY BROOKLYN, NY 11218	20-4554125	501(C)(3)	14,000.				COMMISSIONING
(10) OPERA PHILADELPHIA 1420 LOCUST ST. STE. 210	23-1504706	501(C)(3)	50,000.				COMMISSIONING
(11) TRI-CITIES OPERA 315 CLINTON ST BINGHAMTON, NY 13905	15-0544166	501(C)(3)	7,000.				NEW WORKS PRESENTATI
(12) NAUTILUS MUSIC-THEATER 308 PRINCE ST., #250 ST. PAUL, MN 55101	41-1721692	501(C)(3)	7,000.				NEW WORKS PRESENTATI

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

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**SCHEDULE I
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Name of the organization

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? Yes No
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section (if applicable)	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of noncash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) JUVENTAS NEW MUSIC PO BOX 230015 BOSTON, MA 02123	26-2583870	501(C)(3)	7,000.				NEW WORKS PRESENTATI
(2)							
(3)							
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2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶ 37.

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table ▶

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Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1 COMPOSER GRANTS	8.	100,000.			
2 TRAVEL GRANTS	31.	10,017.			
3					
4					
5					
6					
7					

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b); and any other additional information.

PART I, QUESTION 2

MONITORING OF GRANTS

THE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES WRITTEN PROPOSALS FOR REQUESTS OF GRANTS FOR ARTISTIC PROGRAMS. THE GRANT REQUESTS ARE REVIEWED FOR COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLISHED GRANT GUIDELINES AND ARE APPROVED BY AN INDEPENDENT PANEL OF INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES.

**SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

OPERA AMERICA, INC.

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

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20-3520577

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as, maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? **4a**
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? **4b**
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? **4c**
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.

5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization? **5a**
- b** Any related organization? **5b**
- If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization? **6a**
- b** Any related organization? **6b**
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III.

9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?

	Yes	No
1a		
1b		
2		
3		
4a		X
4b	X	
4c		X
5a		X
5b		X
6a	X	
6b		X
7		X
8		X
9		

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2017

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
MARC A. SCORCA 1 PRESIDENT & CEO	(i)	281,680.	0.	0.	28,429.	10,751.	320,860.	
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	
2	(i)							
	(ii)							
3	(i)							
	(ii)							
4	(i)							
	(ii)							
5	(i)							
	(ii)							
6	(i)							
	(ii)							
7	(i)							
	(ii)							
8	(i)							
	(ii)							
9	(i)							
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10	(i)							
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Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

PART I, LINE 4B & 6A

THE ORGANIZATION HAS A 457(B) PLAN FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES. THE PLAN WILL HAVE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS BUT THERE WILL BE NO CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY THE EMPLOYER. DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 2017 THE ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED A 457(F) PLAN FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES. THE ASSETS OF THE PLAN ARE RETAINED BY THE ORGANIZATION AND ARE PAYABLE ONLY UPON FULFILLMENT OF A CONTRACTUAL TERM OF SERVICE. CONTRIBUTION AMOUNTS, IF ANY, ARE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. NET EARNINGS IS ONE OF THE FACTORS USED WHEN MAKING THIS DETERMINATION. THE AMOUNT ACCRUED BUT NOT FUNDED DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2017 FOR THE PRESIDENT AND CEO WAS \$14,285.

**SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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FORM 990, PAGE 1, PART I, QUESTION 5, AND PART V, QUESTION 2A

OPERA AMERICA CURRENTLY EMPLOYS 50 INDIVIDUALS. PAYROLL AND BENEFITS ARE PROCESSED THROUGH A PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATION (PEO) WHICH FILES THE FORM W-3 ON OPERA AMERICA'S BEHALF UNDER THE PEO'S FEDERAL EIN#. THEREFORE OPERA AMERICA DOES NOT FILE A FORM W-3.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6

MEMBERS, ELECTION OF MEMBERS, AND DECISIONS OF THE GOVERNING BODY:

A MAJORITY OF THE DIRECTORS IN OFFICE SHALL BE NECESSARY TO CONSTITUTE A QUORUM FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS, AND THE ACT OF A MAJORITY OF THE DIRECTORS PRESENT AT A MEETING, AT WHICH A QUORUM IS PRESENT, SHALL BE THE ACT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. IF ALL THE DIRECTORS SHALL SEVERALLY OR COLLECTIVELY CONSENT IN WRITING TO ANY ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY THE ORGANIZATION, SUCH ACTION SHALL BE AS VALID A CORPORATE ACTION AS THOUGH IT HAD BEEN AUTHORIZED AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. VACANCIES ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, RESULTING FROM EITHER RESIGNATION, DEATH, INCAPACITY OR REMOVAL, MAY BE FILLED BY A MAJORITY OF THE REMAINING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AT ANY MEETING.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B

REVIEW OF FORM 990:

PRIOR TO ITS ELECTRONIC FILING, A PUBLIC DISCLOSURE DRAFT OF FORM 990 IS EMAILED TO THE MEMBERS OF THE FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE AS AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT. UPON SATISFACTORY REVIEW, THE

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FILING OF THE FINAL FORM 990 IS AUTHORIZED BY THE SUB-COMMITTEE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C

CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY:

ALL BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN A CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AT THE BEGINNING OF THEIR TERM. THERE IS AN ANNUAL ANNOUNCEMENT AT A DESIGNATED BOARD MEETING REGARDING THE NECESSITY TO REPORT ANY SUBSEQUENT OR POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IMMEDIATELY TO THE APPROPRIATE BOARD OFFICERS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A & 15B

DETERMINATION OF COMPENSATION OF KEY EMPLOYEES:

THE COMPENSATION OF THE PRESIDENT/CEO IS REVIEWED BY THE OFFICERS OF OPERA AMERICA'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS. ANOTHER BOARD MEMBER, NOT AN OFFICER, IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF OTHER NATIONAL ARTS SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS' CEO SALARIES IS USED AS A POINT OF COMPARISON. ALSO USED FOR REFERENCE, IS A STUDY OF OPERA COMPANY CEO SALARIES. A REPORT CONCLUDING THE REASONABLENESS OF COMPARABILITY IS PRESENTED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND THEN TO THE FULL BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR APPROVAL. THE COMPENSATION OF OTHER KEY EMPLOYEES IS DETERMINED BY THE PRESIDENT/CEO USING A STUDY OF OPERA COMPANY KEY EMPLOYEE SALARIES AND GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COMPENSATION OF OTHER KEY EMPLOYEES ARE RATIFIED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DURING THE BUDGET PROCESS AND DOCUMENTED ALONG WITH BUDGET APPROVAL.

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19

AVAILABILITY OF ORGANIZATIONAL DOCUMENTS AND STATEMENTS:

THE ORGANIZATION'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FORM 990 ARE PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE AND ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9

OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS:

THE ORGANIZATION INCURRED \$79,344 IN LOSS ON UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS FOR THE FISCAL-YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018, AND RECEIVED A RETURNED GRANT OF \$127,453 FOR A NET CHANGE OF \$48,109.

FORM 8868

THE ORGANIZATION'S APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE FOR AN EXEMPT ORGANIZATION, FORM 8868, WAS ELECTRONICALLY FILED.

ATTACHMENT 1

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1 - ORGANIZATION'S MISSION

OPERA AMERICA WAS FOUNDED TO: (I) PROMOTE GROWTH AND EXPANSION OF THE OPERATIC ART FORM; (II) FOSTER AND IMPROVE THE EDUCATION, TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF OPERATIC COMPOSERS, SINGERS AND ALLIED TALENTS; (III) ASSIST IN DEVELOPING RESIDENT PROFESSIONAL OPERA COMPANIES THROUGH COOPERATIVE ARTISTIC AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO ITS MEMBERSHIP; (IV) ENCOURAGE AND ASSIST IN THE IMPROVEMENT OF QUALITY OF OPERATIC PRESENTATION; AND (V) ENCOURAGE GREATER APPRECIATION AND ENJOYMENT OF OPERA BY ALL SEGMENTS OF SOCIETY.

ATTACHMENT 2

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ATTACHMENT 2 (CONT'D)FORM 990, PART III - PROGRAM SERVICE, LINE 4C

OPERA FUND PROGRAM AND ARTISTIC INITIATIVES - REPERTOIRE
DEVELOPMENT GRANTS ASSIST OPERA AMERICA PROFESSIONAL COMPANY
MEMBERS IN MEETING THE SPECIAL COSTS INCURRED BY DEVELOPING AND
PRODUCING NEW NORTH AMERICAN OPERA AND MUSIC-THEATER, AND OPERA
GRANTS FOR FEMALE COMPOSERS PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT
AND PRODUCTION OF NEW OPERAS BY WOMEN. THESE PROGRAMS SUPPORT
EXPERIMENTAL METHODS OF PRESENTING OPERA AND ENCOURAGE ETHNIC,
CULTURAL AND GENDER DIVERSITY IN ALL DIMENSIONS OF A PROJECT. THE
NEW WORKS FORUM CONVENES COMPOSERS, LIBRETTISTS, DESIGNERS,
PRODUCERS AND PUBLISHERS TO SHARE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT METHODS FOR
ENSURING THE SUCCESSFUL CREATION AND PRODUCTION OF NEW OPERATIC
WORKS. THE ONSTAGE PROGRAM IS A SERIES OF EVENTS OFFERING THE
PUBLIC AN OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR FROM AND INTERACT WITH MAJOR TALENTS
WITHIN THE OPERA WORLD. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS OFFER
TOOLS AND ADVICE TO SINGERS TO HONE THEIR SKILLS AND FURTHER THEIR
CAREERS.

ATTACHMENT 3FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D - OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>GRANTS</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
INFORMATION SERVICES/PUBLICATIONS		343,208.	
ANNUAL CONFERENCE	12,988.	474,133.	259,410.
MEMBERSHIP SERVICES		253,057.	759,354.
PUBLIC RELATIONS/MARKETING		240,724.	30,193.
EDUCATION		137,496.	

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ATTACHMENT 3 (CONT'D)

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4D - OTHER PROGRAM SERVICES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>GRANTS</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
PUBLIC AFFAIRS		75,962.	
TOTALS	<u>12,988.</u>	<u>1,524,580.</u>	<u>1,048,957.</u>