

Carmina Burana by the Finnish National Opera and Ballet streamed live

Carl Orff's masterpiece Carmina Burana will be performed in concert by the Finnish National Opera and Ballet on Thursday 19 May. The concert is sold out, but Helsingin Sanomat will be streaming the performance live online.

The live webcast from the FNOB will begin at 18.30. Before the performance, culture editor Vesa Sirén from Helsingin Sanomat will host a discussion about the work. The [Carmina Burana](#) concert will be streamed live on both the Helsingin Sanomat channel [HSTV](#) and the FNOB online channel [Stage24](#). The streaming is viewable worldwide.

This sold-out concert by the FNOB features a complete performance of *Carmina Burana*, the celebrated cantata by **Carl Orff** based on 24 Mediaeval secular songs. The concert is conducted by Norwegian conductor **Eivind Gullberg Jensen**, who made his début at the FNOB in *The Rake's Progress* this spring. The soloists are soprano **Hanna Rantala**, baritone **Ville Rusanen** and tenor **Sergey Balashov**, and the Orchestra of the FNO is joined by the Chorus and Children's Choir of the FNO.

Written in 1937, *Carmina Burana* is Carl Orff's best-known work by a wide margin. Its most famous movement, the opening chorus 'O Fortuna', has been used in at least 70 commercials and feature films, but complete performances of the work are rare. The FNOB last performed *Carmina Burana* 20 years ago. It is an indication of the popularity of the work that the concert was sold out months in advance.

Carl Orff: Carmina Burana

Finnish National Opera and Ballet, main auditorium

19 May 2016 at 19.00.

Live streaming broadcast on HSTV and Stage24 from 18.30

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