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KAISER PERMANENTE VOLUNTEERS JOIN THE SAN FRANCISCO OPERA IN HELPING SCHOOL CHILDREN SING

Sets and Props To Be Built Onsite for School Opera Performances

SAN FRANCISCO, **Calif.**, **May 2**, **2019** – Kaiser Permanente volunteers are joining with the San Francisco Opera and around 100 school children to build sets and props at Argonne Elementary School this Friday, May 3, as part of a year-long journey through the creative process of opera. Students have composed their music, written their libretti (words used in opera), and now it's time to build a stage set.

This year's projects range from building large sets and treasure boxes to pirate hats and underwater lagoons. As part of this program, the SF Opera partners with more than 35 classrooms from 10 different schools around the Bay Area. Three classrooms at Argonne are taking part. Their efforts will culminate in a mini-opera performance later this year. Kaiser Permanente is dedicated to supporting the community and programs that help people live more full and healthy lives, so our volunteers are excited to join efforts with SF Opera Production Artists as we help school children make their original mini-operas come alive.

<u>Argonne Elementary School - San Francisco</u>

When: Friday, May 3, 2019

11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Where: Richmond District, San Francisco: 680 18th Avenue

Visuals: Kids painting large backgrounds, assembling props, and constructing sets.

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