

PERFORMANCE ACTIVITY

Opera Review: *Porgy and Bess*

Have you ever wanted to be a music and theater critic? Now's your chance!

As you watch *Porgy and Bess*, use the space below to keep track of your thoughts and opinions. What did you like about the performance? What didn't you like? If you were in charge, what might you have done differently? Think carefully about the action, music, and stage design, and rate each of the star singers. Then, after the opera, share your opinions with your friends, classmates, and anyone else who wants to learn more about the opera and this performance at the Met!

THE STARS	STAR POWER	MY COMMENTS
Eric Owens as Porgy	☆☆☆☆☆	
Angel Blue as Bess	☆☆☆☆☆	
Golda Schultz as Clara	☆☆☆☆☆	
Alfred Walker as Crown	☆☆☆☆☆	
Donovan Singletary as Jake	☆☆☆☆☆	
Latonia Moore as Serena	☆☆☆☆☆	
Denyce Graves as Maria	☆☆☆☆☆	
Frederick Ballentine as Sportin' Life	☆☆☆☆☆	
Conductor David Robertson	☆☆☆☆☆	

THE SHOW, SCENE BY SCENE	ACTION	MUSIC	SET DESIGN / STAGING
A summertime lullaby MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
A dice game goes awry MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
The community mourns one of its own MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
Porgy sings of his simple life MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆

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Bess obtains a "divorce" from Crown MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
Porgy and Bess pledge their love MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
High spirits at the church picnic on Kittiwah Island MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
An unwelcome intruder detains Bess MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
Bess's delirium and a fervent prayer for healing MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
Bess confesses her fears to Porgy MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
A desperate vigil during the hurricane MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
Crown returns for Bess and meets his end MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
The authorities investigate Crown's murder MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
Sportin' Life tempts Bess again MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆
Porgy finds Bess gone and sets out after her MY OPINION OF THIS SCENE:	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆	☆☆☆☆☆