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**In Festive Voice**

**The Royal Opera House Thurrock Community Chorus  
at the High House Production Park Christmas Market**

**Friday 4 November**

**Performance 7pm Carols 8pm**

**Free event**

**High House Production Park, Purfleet, RM19 1RJ**

**The Royal Opera House Thurrock Community Chorus will be lending their voices to a special festive event at High House Production Park on Friday 4 December when the site holds a Christmas Market.**

The Royal Opera House Thurrock Community Chorus will perform a selection of opera and choral music at 7pm in the courtyard of the High House Production Park off Vellacott Close. At 8pm, everyone can take part as the Chorus perform some favourite and festive Carols

There'll be handmade gifts, activities and refreshments available at the market. For more information about the Christmas Market, please go to <http://thebackstagecentre.com/whats-on>

To find out more about the Royal Opera House Thurrock community Chorus, please go to [www.roh.org.uk/communitychorus](http://www.roh.org.uk/communitychorus).

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### Notes for Editors

#### **Royal Opera House Learning and Participation in Thurrock**

Royal Opera House Learning and Participation in Thurrock has been offering innovative and creative projects and programmes in schools, colleges and across communities in the Thames Gateway since 2006.

Since then, more than 60,000 people have participated in activities ranging from schools projects to teacher training, from work-based learning to fully-staged community operas. People in Thurrock have both been able to watch special performances at the Royal Opera House in Covent Garden and gain a very special insight into the behind-the-scenes process.

The Learning and Participation team runs the Royal Opera House Thurrock Community Chorus which currently has over 140 members of all ages and regularly performs across Thurrock and at the Royal Opera House in Covent Garden. For further information, please go to: [www.roh.org.uk/learning/learning-in-thurrock/community-chorus](http://www.roh.org.uk/learning/learning-in-thurrock/community-chorus). Details of future performances and taster session for the Community Chorus can be obtained by emailing [getinvolved@roh.org.uk](mailto:getinvolved@roh.org.uk) or calling 01708 891200.

Regular public tours of the state-of-the-art Bob and Tamar Manoukian Production Workshop where the sets and scenery for the Royal Opera House stage in Covent Garden are built are now available. Please go to [www.roh.org.uk/visit/tours/thurrock-tours](http://www.roh.org.uk/visit/tours/thurrock-tours) for further details. Inspiration Days offer a more in-depth look at the work of the Production Workshop. More information can be found at [www.roh.org.uk/inspiration](http://www.roh.org.uk/inspiration)

In April 2012, the Royal Opera House agreed to become a [Bridge](#) organisation, working to connect children and young people to great art and culture across Essex, North Kent, Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire.

The Learning and Participation team is based at the High House Production Park in Purfleet which is supported by a unique partnership including Arts Council England, Creative & Cultural Skills, the Royal Opera House and Thurrock Council:  
[www.hhpp.org.uk](http://www.hhpp.org.uk)