



HANSEL & GRETEL



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PROGRAM SYNOPSIS

Once upon a time, a brother and sister named Hansel and Gretel lived with their father and mother, at the edge of a huge forest. The family is poor and struggles to keep food on the table.

After a stressful day, Mother sends the children into the forest to pick strawberries for their next meal. Day turns to night, and the children wake the next morning and see an enormous gingerbread house off in the distance.

Hungrier than ever, Hansel and Gretel break off a piece of the house and eat it. Just then, they hear a voice in the distance saying, "What little mouse is nibbling on my house?" Suddenly, an evil witch pops out of the house and tells the children she is going to fatten them up and eat them!

The witch locks Hansel in a cage. But when she asks him to stick his finger through the cage to see if he's fat enough to eat, Hansel puts a stick through the cage bars. The witch, nearly blind, touches the stick thinking it's Hansel's finger. She decides that he's too skinny to eat, and leaves him there.

The witch asks Gretel to check the oven to see if it's ready. Cunning Gretel tries to distract the witch by asking, "I don't know what you mean. Can you show me how?" Meanwhile, Hansel quietly sneaks out of the cage. The witch, frustrated with Gretel, sticks her head in towards the oven to show her how to do it. Hansel and Gretel swiftly push the witch into the oven and slam the door!

Hansel and Gretel are free and they run back into the Gingerbread House and take all the food they can find! The oven explodes, the spell is broken, and all the little gingerbread boys and girls suddenly come back to life! The children pull the witch out of the oven to see her completely made out of gingerbread.

Finally, Hansel and Gretel are reunited with their mother and father, and they all live happily ever after.

HANSEL & GRETEL

MUSIC BY ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK
LIBRETTO BY KATHLEEN KELLY

60 MINUTE RUNTIME
SUNG IN ENGLISH WITH PIANO ACCOMPANIMENT

AUGUST 4th | 5:30pm
AUGUST 5TH | 5:30PM
AUGUST 6TH | 3:00PM & 5:30PM

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TIFFANY HO | GRETEL | [BIO](#)
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