

A color portrait of Milena Kitic, a woman with blonde, wavy hair, smiling. She is wearing a dark strapless top and a multi-strand pearl necklace with a large blue gemstone pendant. The background is dark and textured.

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# MILENA KITIC

Milena Kitic is making a comeback. The former Opera Pacific favorite, a resident of Newport Beach, took a few years off from the stage to raise her child. The Serbian mezzo-soprano, who matches a rich and flexible voice with strong acting chops, is beginning to appear here and there again, though, and Saturday, for one night only, she slips into the title role of Los Angeles Opera's production of "Carmen," one of her signature roles. Grant Gershon conducts.

## If you go

7:30 p.m. Saturday. Tickets are \$20-\$276. Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, 135 N. Grand Ave., Los Angeles. 213-972-8001 or [laopera.com](http://laopera.com)

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Mezzo-soprano Milena Kitic appears Saturday in "Carmen."