



## WHAT TO BOOK: INTIMISSIMI OPERAPOP

Featuring figure skating, music and pyrogenics, OPERAPOP will be a unique spectacular

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The Arena di Verona. Picture: Rex Features

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Picture the scene: Verona in autumn, a battle of fire and ice, some of the world's greatest performers taking to the stage to showcase the triumphant power of love. No, it's not Romeo and Juliet but the Intimissimi on Ice OPERAPOP gala. Combining champion-level figure skating, opera, pop and pyrogenics, OPERAPOP is the only show of its kind.

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Drawing its inspiration from the coldness of ice and the fire of passion, the show brings together top athletes, musicians and creatives. International skating star Carolina Kostner will play the heroine, while costumes are inspired by Intimissimi's autumn/winter 14 lingerie collection. John Metcalfe – a British composer who has worked with Blur, Coldplay and Paul McCartney – is also involved. Marco Balich, the genius behind numerous Olympic events and spectacles, has come on board as creative director.

During the course of the show, the Arena di Verona will transform from a lake and a waterfall into an iceberg lit by the fiery tails of meteorites. The finale will be unlike anything seen before, a visual and aural explosion of light, music and reverberations.

*Intimissimi on ice: OPERAPOPOP runs Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 September in Verona, Italy. For more information and to book tickets, visit [operapoponice.com](http://operapoponice.com)*



*The Arena di Verona as imagined for OPERAPOPOP. Picture courtesy of Intimissimi*

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