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Cleveland's Helen Todd To Star In Hong Kong's Musica Viva Production of *Turandot*

Cleveland, OH (October 9, 2014) -- Sugar Creek Opera is pleased to announce that General & Artistic Director, Soprano Helen Todd has been engaged to sing the title role in Giacomo Puccini's *Turandot*, with Musica Viva in Hong Kong December 2014. Ms. Todd, a resident of Cleveland Heights, OH, sang the role of Norma Desmond in *Sunset Boulevard* at **Mercury Summer Stock** in Cleveland this past summer.

Ms. Todd founded Sugar Creek Opera in 2002, a professional opera company based in her Illinois hometown. For the past 12 Seasons, she has presented fully staged opera in Iroquois County, drawing opera lovers from across the Midwest. She was honored with the Opera America Service Award in 2013 for this work.

Todd is currently **expanding the company to Cleveland**, Ohio, where there will be a second and separate base of operations. Sugar Creek Opera Cleveland will debut with a special production and Opera Ball next year, fall 2015.