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CHARLESTON, IL--The Eastern Illinois University Opera Theatre will present two one-act operas, La Cantarina and The Old Maid and the Thief, at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 28 - March 1 in the Fine Arts Theatre.

Admission is \$4.50 for adults, \$2.50 for students and senior citizens. Ticket information can be obtained at 581-3010.

La Cantarina, by Franz Joseph Haydn, is about an aspiring young singer, Gasparina, and the relationship with her singing teacher, Don Pellagio, and a wealthy young man, Don Ettore.

The Old Maid and the Thief was originally written as a radio opera in 1939 and then first staged in 1941. The plot involves a middle-aged spinster, Miss Todd, and her servant, Laetitia, who befriend a handsome young beggar.