

The Phantom of the Opera Activities



Phantom Mask Make customized [Phantom mask](#) for your residents or staff to wear during *The Phantom of the Opera* celebration activities at your community.

Masquerade The masquerade gala comes at a turning point in the opera. The masks and costumes are unique and beautiful. Purchase inexpensive plain masks from a craft store. Provide your residents with paint, jewels, feathers and other embellishments to decorate their own masks.



Photo Booth Create a photo booth with a backdrop and provide props such as boas, beads, gloves, hats, champagne flutes, etc. along with their personalized masks. Have a staff member or volunteer take digital pictures to share with residents and their families.

Rose Garden The red rose is a recurring theme in *The Phantom of the Opera*. If you have space outdoors, why not plant a beautiful rose garden? Have residents choose which particular roses they would like to include. Do some research on the care and planting of roses.



Filmfest Some of the most popular operas of all time have been made into movies. Here are some suggestions: *The Barber of Seville*, *Carmen*, *The Magic Flute*, *The Marriage of Figaro*, *Don Giovanni*, *Madame Butterfly*, *La Bohème*.



Engagement Ring Christine’s engagement ring serves as a symbol of love and loyalty throughout *The Phantom of the Opera*. Reminisce with your residents about their engagement ring and their engagement stories. Were they surprised? Have they been engaged more than once? Have they ever broken an engagement? Why?



Ice Cream Floats Just for fun make “Fanta of the Opera floats” with your residents. Scoop vanilla ice cream in a tall glass and add Fanta orange soda. Serve with a spoon and a straw.

Candles Candles were the only source of light for most people during the late 19th century. There are many different types of candles. Make these unique, yet easy to make [ice candles](#) with your residents. Use them as center pieces for special occasions.



Backstage Tour Is there a local Opera company in your town? If possible arrange for your residents to get a backstage tour of their theater. Allow them access to dressing rooms, orchestra pit and backstage area. Check out the catwalks and lighting overhead. How is this similar to *The Phantom of the Opera* set? How is it different?



Opera for Children Give your residents an opportunity to introduce local children to the opera through stories and music. Your residents can read stories to the children and then listen to musical recordings. A wonderful resource comes from the Metropolitan Opera, [Sing Me a Story: The Metropolitan Opera's Book of Opera Stories for Children](#).