The State Opera and Ballet Theatre “Astana Opera” was founded on the initiative of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan in 2013.

It is built based on the traditions of classical architecture of the world, while its theatre architecture underline the Kazakh national character. The orchestra pit is designed for 120 musicians and, if necessary, can be used to expand the stage area. The Theatre’s chamber music hall can accommodate 250 people. It is designed for chamber music concerts, performances of various music ensembles, chamber choir, or small symphony orchestra performances and more.

The Opera House hosts its own orchestra and ballet and opera troupe, playing mostly classical opera. Their repertoire includes majors classical pieces, such as the opera La Traviata or Tosca and the ballet The Nutcracker, but also national pieces, such as the opera Abai. The orchestra is composed at 90% of young musicians.

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