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## 24 OPERA IN MUNICH AND BREGENZ

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Get a year's worth of culture in a single performance-packed week with this trip to two of the biggest opera festivals in Europe, led by John Deathridge, a professor of music at King's College London. The show starts in Munich on July 20, with morning lectures and evening performances of Rossini's *Semiramide*, Shostakovich's *Lady Macbeth of Mtsensk* and Verdi's *The Force of Destiny*. Then it's off to Bregenz, on the shores of Lake Constance, which has a magnificent floating stage: an art installation in its own right. Its charmingly democratic opera festival crowds in sandwich-munching families beside champagne-sipping toffs, and you'll be there for Bizet's *Carmen*. Prices start at £2,935, half-board (0330 160 7471, [aceculturaltours.co.uk](http://aceculturaltours.co.uk)).