

RECORDED BOOKS **PRESS RELEASE**

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RECORDED BOOKS OFFERS “BLACK DOG OPERA LIBRARY” – UNABRIDGED AUDIO PRODUCTIONS

All-Audio Productions of Some of the World’s Greatest Operas, from the Black Dog Opera Library, Feature Full Background Information and Expert Commentary.

Prince Frederick, MD, March 15, 2007—Recorded Books, the world’s premiere publisher of unabridged audiobooks since 1979 and a Hights Cross Communications company, said today it is now offering school and public libraries audio recordings from the famed Black Dog Opera Library, all of which were originally published by Black Dog & Leventhal Publishers.

Recorded Books said the high quality audio productions feature accomplished vocalists, conductors, choirs, and orchestras. Each title consists of three CDs – an introductory CD that includes rich background information about the composer and librettist, historical and cultural information about the period, character analysis and plot synopsis, and biographical information on each lead performer. The complete opera in its original language follows on two discs.

Currently available are unabridged audio recordings of “Aida,” “The Barber of Seville,” “Carmen,” “Il Trovatore,” “La Boheme,” “La Traviata,” “Madame Butterfly,” and “The Marriage of Figaro.” Additional titles will be introduced during 2007.

About Recorded Books:

Recorded Books, a Hights Cross Communications company, produces and distributes unabridged audiobooks and other audio products to public and university libraries and schools, in cassette, CD, and downloadable formats. Over 8,000 titles are available for adults, children, and young adults in English and Spanish languages narrated by professional, award-winning actors. Recorded Books also distributes music, educational lectures, independent films, and nonfiction films on DVD. Packaging is designed for high circulation. One-year warranty, cataloging, processing, and free marc records are available. For more information, visit www.recordedbooks.com.

About Hights Cross Communications:

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