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WHAT The 75th anniversary touring production of "Porgy and Bess" salutes the groundbreaking American opera that opened on Broadway with an all-black ensemble at a time when white performers in blackface usually took "Negro" roles. George Gershwin's masterpiece (brother Ira co-wrote the libretto) also broke new ground by combining opera, jazz and show-tune styles. Performed with a full orchestra.

WHEN | WHERE Tonight at 8, preceded at 6:45 by a "Performance Plus!" interview with Michael Capasso, producer of the tour, by WLIU radio host Bonnie Grice, at Tilles Center, Brookville

INFO \$36.50-\$76.50, **sold out**; \$5 for Performance Plus! (concert ticket holders only); tillescenter.org, 516-299-3100

— STEVE PARKS



The 75th anniversary tour of "Porgy and Bess," at Tilles