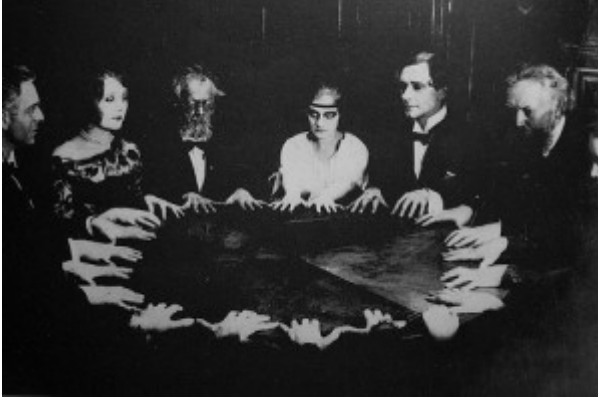




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Wicked: Composer Stephen Schwartz (of “Wicked,” “Enchanted,” and “Pippin” fame) is writing an opera, and a spooky one at that. [“Seance on a Wet Afternoon”](#) is about a married couple and the spirit of their dead 11-year-old. It sounds reminiscent of [Menotti’s “The Medium”](#) (incidentally, From the Top featured a [wonderful performance of “Monica’s Waltz”](#) from that opera a few years ago). Anyway, [Culture Monster reports](#) the opera will open in Santa Barbara in September, directed by Stephen’s son. Via [Culture Monster](#).