

The production of "Madama Butterfly" was donated to the San Francisco Opera Association by the San Francisco Opera Guild in 1966.

# Madama Butterfly (Student)

(in Italian)

Opera in three acts by Giacomo Puccini

Libretto by Luigi Illica and Giuseppe Giacosa

Based on the work of John Luther Long and David Belasco

*Conductor*

Aldo Faldi

*Production*

Nathaniel Merrill

*Staged by*

Matthew Farruggio

*Designer*

Toni Businger

Davis L. West (resident designer)

*Costumers*

Goldstein & Co.

## CAST

*Lt. B.F. Pinkerton* Nicholas Di Virgilio

Vahan Khanzadian (11/6)

*Goro* Alan Crofoot

*Suzuki* Sylvia Anderson

*Sharpless* Ingvar Wixell

*Cio-Cio-San, Madama Butterfly* Radmila Bakocevic (10/30, 11/13)

Jeannette Pilou (10/23, 11/26)

*The Imperial commissioner* Stephen Janzen

*The official registrar* Colin Harvey

*The Bonze* Clifford Grant

*Prince Yamadori* Howard Fried

*Cio-Cio-San's child* Laurelle Gutierrez

*Kate Pinkerton* Sheila Nadler

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: Nagasaki, Japan, at the time of the Great White Fleet

Act I -- Nagasaki, Japan

Act II -- Three years later

Act III -- The following morning

Wednesday, October 23 1968, at 1:30 PM

Wednesday, October 30 1968, at 1:30 PM

Wednesday, November 6 1968, at 1:30 AM

Wednesday, November 13 1968, at 1:30 PM

Tuesday, November 26 1968, at 1:30 PM

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