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(in Italian)

Opera in three acts by Giacomo Puccini Libretto by Illica and Giacosa Based on works by John L. Long and David Belasco

Conductor Nicola Rescigno

Stage director Armando Agnini

Chorus Director

Kurt Herbert Adler

CAST

Madama Butterfly (Cio-Cio-San)

Dorothy Kirsten Eugene Conley

Pinkerton, Lieutenant in the U.S. Navy Suzuki, Cio-Cio-San's servant

Herta Glaz

Sharpless, U.S. consul at Nagasaki

Francesco Valentino

Goro, a marriage broker

Alessio De Paolis

The Bonze, Cio-Cio-San's uncle

Yi-Kwei Sze

Prince Yamadori Kate Pinkerton George Cehanovsky Yvonne Chauveau

The Imperial Commissioner

Demy Trevor

The Official Registrar

Colin Harvey

Michele Tracy

*Role debut

†U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: About 1900; Nagasaki, Japan

Act I -- Exterior of Pinkerton's House

Act II -- Interior of Butterfly's Home Act III -- Same as Act II, next morning

Saturday, September 29 1951, at 8:00 PM

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