

# La Forza del Destino

(in Italian)

Opera in four acts by Giuseppe Verdi  
Libretto by Francesco Maria Piave  
Based on a play by the Duke of Rivas

## Conductor

Francesco Molinari-Pradelli

## Production

Paul Hager

## Designer

Leni Bauer-Ecsy

Thomas L. Colangelo, Jr. (resident designer)

## Chorus Director

Vincenzo Giannini

## Choreographer

Lew Christensen

## Costumers

Goldstein & Co.

## CAST

<i>Marchese di Calatrava</i>	Joshua Hecht
<i>Leonora di Vargas</i>	Leontyne Price*
<i>Curra, her maid</i>	Dorothy Cole
<i>Don Alvaro, a young nobleman of Inca origin</i>	James McCracken
<i>Alcalde</i>	Peter van der Bilt
<i>Don Carlo di Vargas, Leonora's brother</i>	Julien Haas
<i>Preziosilla, a Gypsy fortuneteller</i>	Janis Martin
<i>Trabuco</i>	Howard Fried
<i>Fra Melitone</i>	Elfego Esparza
<i>Padre Guardiano, superior of the convent</i>	Walter Kreppel †
<i>The Surgeon</i>	Daniel McCaughna
<i>Solo dancer</i>	Virginia Johnson
	Robert Gladstein

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: About the middle of the eighteenth century; Spain  
and Italy

Tuesday, October 8 1963, at 8:00 PM

Thursday, October 24 1963, at 8:00 PM

Act I, Scene 1 -- Room in the house of the Marchese di Calatrava

Scene 2 -- Inn at Hornachuelos

Act II, Scene 1 -- In front of the monastery of Hornachuelos

Scene 2 -- In the monastery of Hornachuelos

Act III, Scene 1 -- Ruins of a house near Velletri, Italy

Scene 2 -- Soldiers' camp at Velletri

Act IV, Scene 1 -- Cloister of the monastery of Hornachuelos

Scene 2 -- Solitary spot near the monastery

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**Notes:**

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