

# Elektra

(in German)

Opera in one act by Richard Strauss

Libretto by Hugo von Hofmannsthal

*Conductor*

Georg Solti†

*Stage director*

Carlo Piccinato

*Chorus Director*

Kurt Herbert Adler

*Set designer*

Harry Horner

*Settings painted by*

Julius Dobe

## CAST

<i>Queen Klytemnestra</i>	Margarete Klose †
<i>Aegisthus, her paramour</i>	Ludwig Suthaus †
<i>Elektra, the Queen's elder daughter</i>	Inge Borkh †
<i>Chrysothemis, her sister</i>	Ellen Faull
<i>Orestes, the Queen's son</i>	Paul Schoeffler
<i>Guardian of Orestes</i>	Desire Ligeti
<i>The Confidant</i>	Eloise Farrell
<i>The Trainbearer</i>	Ruth Roehr
<i>A Young Servant</i>	Cesare Curzi
<i>An Old Servant</i>	Jan Gbur
<i>The Overseer of the Servants</i>	Yvonne Chauveau
<i>First maidservant</i>	Margaret Roggero
<i>Second maidservant</i>	June Wilkins
<i>Third maidservant</i>	Janice Moudry
<i>Fourth maidservant</i>	Lois Hartzell
<i>Fifth maidservant</i>	Beverly Sills
<i>A servant</i>	Rochelle Field
	Sophie Karras
	Frances Oliver
	Donna Petersen
	Lorraine Smith
	Sherry Stevens

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: Antiquity; Greece

Scene -- Court of the Palace

Friday, September 25 1953, at 8:15 PM

Wednesday, September 30 1953, at 8:15 PM

**Sponsors:**

**Notes:**

The Company General Director Gaetano Merola died on August 20th, while conducting Butterfly's "Un bel di" in San Francisco's Stern Grove. The entire 1953 season was labeled "Gaetano Merola, 1879-1953 -- In Memoriam."