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*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME:

Sunday, November 19 1978, at 7:00 PM

Sponsors:

Notes:

The San Francisco Opera Association
in conjunction with
The San Francisco Opera Guild

presents
THE ANNIVERSARY GALA

In celebration of the Gold and Silver Jubilees of Kurt Herbert Adler

Masters of Ceremonies:

Dorothy Kirsten
Regina Resnik
Lotfi Mansouri
Elisabeth Schwarzkopf
Sir Geraint Evans
Terry McEwen
Walter Slezak

Wagner, *Der Fliegende Holländer* -- Overture
Silvio Varviso, conductor

Wagner, *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg* -- Prize Song
Spas Wenkoff
Silvio Varviso, conductor

Charpentier, *Louise* -- *Depuis le jour*
Dorothy Kirsten
John Pritchard, conductor

Mozart, *Così fan tutte* -- *In uomini, in soldati*
Graziella Sciutti
John Pritchard, conductor

Mozart, *Le Nozze di Figaro* -- *Aprite un po' quegli occhi*
Cesare Siepi
John Pritchard, conductor

Leoncavallo, *Pagliacci* -- *Vesti la giubba*
James McCracken
Francesco Molinari-Pradelli, conductor

Verdi, *Un Ballo in Maschera* -- *Morrò, ma prima in grazia*
Lucine Amara
Janos Ferencsik, conductor

Giordano, *Andrea Chénier* -- *Nemico della patria*
Louis Quilico
Francesco Molinari-Pradelli, conductor

Humperdinck, *Hänsel und Gretel* -- *Childrens' prayer*
San Francisco Boys Chorus
Calvin Simmons, conductor

Monteverdi, *L'Incoronazione di Poppea* -- *Pur ti miro*
Carol Vaness
Barry McCauley
John Pritchard, conductor

Verdi, *Ernani* -- *Ernani, involami*
Leona Mitchell
Calvin Simmons, conductor

Gruber, *Mei' Muatterl war a' Wienerin*
Walter Berry
Janos Ferencsik, conductor

Verdi, *Macbeth* -- *Vieni, t'affretta!*
Gwyneth Jones

Francesco Molinari-Pradelli, conductor

INTERMISSION

Verdi, Nabucco -- Va, pensiero sull'ali dorate
San Francisco Opera Chorus
Richard Bradshaw, conductor

Verdi, Nabucco -- Del futuro nel buio discerno
Giorgio Tozzi
Richard Bradshaw, conductor

Brodiceanu, Pe sub flori ma leganai
Brodiceanu, S'a dus cucul de p' aiici
Ileana Cotrubas
Philip Eisenberg, piano

Mussorgsky, Song of the flea
Nicola Rossi-Lemeni
Calvin Simmons, conductor

Leoncavallo, Pagliacci -- Silvio, a quest'ora
Mary Costa
Allan Monk
Francesco Molinari-Pradelli

Donizetti, Anna Bolena -- Al dolce guidami castel natio
Leyla Gencer
Francesco Molinari-Pradelli, conductor

Anonymous, A new work
Regina Resnik
Calvin Simmons, conductor

Giordano, Fedora -- Amor ti vieta
Giacomo Aragall
Calvin Simmons, conductor

Lehár, Giuditta -- Meine Lippen, sie küssen so heiss
Leonie Rysanek
Janos Ferencsik, conductor

Verdi, Rigoletto -- Cortigiani, vil razza dannata
Ingvar Wixell
Silvio Varviso, conductor

Strauss, Die Aegyptische Helena -- Zweite Brautnacht
Leontyne Price
Janos Ferencsik, conductor

Verdi, Aida -- Finale, Triumphal Scene
Gwyneth Jones
Irene Dalis
James McCracken
Chester Ludgin
Giorgio Tozzi
Alexander Malta
San Francisco Opera Chorus
Francesco Molinari-Pradelli, conductor

NB: Not listed in the program were "honored guests" who did not perform, but were introduced on stage:

Licia Albanese
Lorenzo Alvary
Frances Bible
Heinz Blankenburg
Inge Borkh
Sona Cervena
Irene Dalis
Howard Fried
Colin Harvey
Hans Hotter
Frederick Jagel
Raymond Manton
Donna Petersen
Florence Quartararo
Stella Roman

Bidú Sayão
Giulietta Simionato
Blanche Thebom
Claramae Turner
Ramon Vinay

In the audience were:
San Francisco Mayor George Moscone
Roger L. Stevens, Chairman of the Kennedy Center
Livingston Biddle, Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts

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