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# Samson et Dalila

(in French)

Opera in three acts by Camille Saint-Saëns  
Libretto by Ferdinand Lemaire

*Conductor*

Patrick Summers

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*Production Super Captain*

Andrew Korniej

Friday, September 7 2007, at 7:00 PM  
Tuesday, September 11 2007, at 7:30 PM  
Thursday, September 13 2007, at 7:30 PM  
Sunday, September 16 2007, at 2:00 PM  
Wednesday, September 19 2007, at 7:30 PM  
Saturday, September 22 2007, at 7:30 PM  
Tuesday, September 25 2007, at 8:00 PM  
Friday, September 28 2007, at 8:00 PM

## CAST

<i>Samson</i>	Clifton Forbis
<i>Abimélech</i>	Eric Jordan
<i>First Philistine</i>	Richard Walker
<i>Second Philistine</i>	Jere Torkelsen
<i>The High Priest of Dagon</i>	Juha Uusitalo
<i>A Philistine Messenger</i>	Noah Stewart
<i>An Old Hebrew</i>	Oren Gradus
<i>Dalila</i>	Olga Borodina

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: 1150 B.C.; Gaza in Palestine

Act I -- Public Square in Gaza

INTERMISSION

Act II -- Dalila's home

INTERMISSION

Act III, Scene 1 -- The prison dungeon in Gaza

Act III, Scene 2 -- The temple of Gaza

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**Notes:**

Scenery, props, costumes and wigs constructed in the San Francisco Opera workshops

The performance of September 28th was subject of a free live simulcast to AT&T park. Presented in partnership with San Francisco Giants, the simulcast featured images captured by seven high-definition cameras. These were installed earlier in 2007 as part of the Koret-Taube Media Suite.

The event was attended by an estimated audience of 15,000 people.

The opera was broadcast locally over KDFC on January 6, 2008; also nationally on the WFMT syndicated opera series.

**SUPERNUMERARIES**

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