

World Premiere

The Secret Garden

(in English)

Opera in two acts by Nolan Gasser
Libretto by Carey Harrison
Based on the novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett

Conductor

Sara Jobin

Director

Jose Maria Condemi

Visual Designer

Naomie Kremer

Costume Designer

Kristi Johnson

Lighting Designer

Christopher Maravich

Projection Coordinator

Maria Mendoza

Projection Programmer

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Projection Systems Administrator

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Projectionist

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Musical Preparation

John Churchwell

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Sun Ha Yoon

Assistant Stage Director

Elkhanah Pulitzer

Stage Manager

Gina Hays

Assistant Stage Managers

Julie Chin

Rachel Henneberry

Lisa-Marie Shuster

Orchestra Manager/Librarian

Timothy Spears

Dialect Coach

Lisa Anne Porter

CAST

Mary Lennox Sarah Shafer*

Ayah / Mrs. Medlock Erin Johnson*

Mrs. Lennox / Susan Sowerby Marina Harris*

Mr. Lennox / Archibald Craven Philippe Sly*

An Officer's Wife / Martha Sowerby Laura Krumm*

An Indian Gardener / Ben Weatherstaff Ao Li*

Rajah / Colin Michael Kepler Meo*

The Porter / Dickon Sowerby Scott Joiner*

*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME:

Friday, March 1 2013, at 7:30 PM
Saturday, March 2 2013, at 7:30 PM
Sunday, March 3 2013, at 3:00 PM
Saturday, March 9 2013, at 7:30 PM
Sunday, March 10 2013, at 3:00 PM

Prologue - Late 19th-Century India

ACT I

INTERMISSION

ACT II

Sponsors:

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Notes:

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SUPERNUMERARIES

Dieter Bluhm
Steve Lavezzoli
Mare Skipper
Carlos Suarez
Laurel Winzler

SECRET GARDEN ORCHESTRA

Members of the San Francisco Opera Orchestra
Laura Albers, Concertmaster
Patricia Heller, viola
Emil Miland, cello
Joseph Lescher, bass
Stacey Pelinka, flute & piccolo
Janet Popesco Archibald, oboe & english horn
Susan Vollmer, french horn
William Harvey, trumpet
Patricia Niemi, percussion
Sun Ha Yoon, piano