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Le Nozze di Figaro (January)

(in Italian)

Opera in four acts by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Libretto by Lorenzo Da Ponte

Based on Pierre Augustin Caron de Beaumarchais

Supertitles provided by a generous grant from The Stanley S. Langendorf Foundation

Conductor

Ivor Bolton†

Stage Director

Graziella Sciutti

Designer

Zack Brown

Lighting Designer

Joan Arhelger

Chorus Director

Ian Robertson

Musical Preparation

Bryndon Hassman

Peter Grunberg

Philip Eisenberg

Prompter

Philip Eisenberg

Harpichord continuo

Peter Grunberg

Supertitles

Clifford Cranna

Assistant Stage Director

Brad Dalton

Stage Manager

Jerry Sherk

Friday, January 9 1998, at 7:30 PM

Sunday, January 11 1998, at 1:30 PM

Wednesday, January 14 1998, at 7:30 PM

Saturday, January 17 1998, at 7:30 PM

CAST

<i>Figaro</i>	John Relyea
<i>Susanna</i>	Anna Netrebko
<i>Dr. Bartolo</i>	Chester Patton
<i>Marcellina</i>	Catherine Cook
<i>Cherubino</i>	Zheng Cao
<i>Count Almaviva</i>	David Okerlund
<i>Don Basilio</i>	Joseph Frank
<i>Countess Almaviva</i>	Nicolle Foland
<i>Antonio</i>	Bojan Knezevic
<i>Barbarina</i>	Peggy Kriha Dye
<i>Don Curzio</i>	Marc Molomot
<i>First bridesmaid</i>	Virginia Pluth
<i>Second bridesmaid</i>	Sally Munro

*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: 18th century; the villa of Count Almaviva outside Seville

Act I -- A room in the villa

Act II -- The Countess' apartment

Act III -- A courtyard of the villa

Act IV -- The garden of the villa

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Notes:

Scenery constructed in San Francisco Opera Scenic Studios

Costumes executed by San Francisco Opera Costume Shop

Supernumeraries

Pat Beresford
Madeline Chase
Maritza di Meglio
Diane Knoll
Lauren Sliter

Keith Clausen
Kevin Gee
Al Knoll
Don Lipp
Ron Mann