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Harvey Milk

(in English)

Opera in three acts by Stewart Wallace

Libretto by Michael Korie

Commissioned by S. F. Opera, Houston Grand Opera, and New York City Opera

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Conductor

Donald Runnicles

Production

Christopher Alden

Set designer

Paul Steinberg

Costume Designer

Gabriel Berry

Lighting Designer

Heather Carson

Sound Designer

Roger Gans

Chorus Director

Ian Robertson

Choreographer

Ross Perry

Realized by

Victoria Morgan

Musical Preparation

Peter Grunberg

Bryndon Hassman

Adelle Eslinger

Kathleen Kelly

Ernest Fredric Knell

Synthesizer Programmer

Neil Rolnick

Supertitles

Michael Korie

Assistant Stage Director

Paula Williams

Brad Dalton

Stage Manager

Theresa Ganley

Fight Consultant

Larry Henderson

CAST

Harvey Milk Robert Orth

Messenger James Maddalena

Mama Elizabeth Bishop

Young Harvey Adam Jacobs

Dan White Raymond Very

Man at the opera James Maddalena

Gidon Saks

Bradley Williams

Randall Wong

William Pickersgill

Richard Walker

Man in a trench coat/Cop Raymond Very

Central Park cop David Okerlund

Joe Randall Wong

Jack Michael Chioldi

Craig Bradley Williams

Beard Juliana Gondek

Mintz James Maddalena

Horst Brauer Gidon Saks

Scott Smith Bradley Williams

Concentration camp inmate Randall Wong

James Maddalena

Donna Turchi

Virginia Pluth

Lilly Akseth

Stonewall girl John Autry

Michael Chioldi

Marc Molomot

David Okerlund

John Relyea

Stuart Skelton

Dyke Jill Grove

Hooker Juliana Gondek

Castro clone Tom Reed

Colby Roberts

Dan Stanley

Richard Walker

Lavender menace Laura Decher

Dallas Lane

Sally Munro

Aimée Puentes

Elisabeth Rom

First arrival in San Francisco Nicolle Foland

Second arrival David Okerlund

Politico Jim Croom

Daniel Harper

	<i>Politico</i>	Ken Rafanan
	<i>Empress</i>	James Maddalena
	<i>Third arrival</i>	Michael Chioldi
	<i>Vietnam veteran</i>	Frederick Matthews
	<i>Sadomasochist</i>	Richard Brown
		Dvora Djoraev
		Shelley Seitz Saarni
		Jere Torkelsen
	<i>Arrival from Cleveland</i>	John Relyea
	<i>Fourth arrival</i>	Stuart Skelton
	<i>Fifth arrival</i>	Marc Molomot
	<i>Anne Kronenberg</i>	Jill Grove
	<i>Gay doctor</i>	William Pickersgill
	<i>NBC reporter</i>	William O'Neill
	<i>CBS reporter</i>	Valentina Simi
	<i>ABC reporter</i>	Tom Giuliano
	<i>Henry Wong</i>	Randall Wong
	<i>Teamster</i>	Gidon Saks
	<i>Medora</i>	Lilly Akseth
	<i>Mother of handicapped son</i>	Lori Anderson
	<i>Old lady</i>	Alison Buchanan
		Peggy Kriha Dye
	<i>Mailman</i>	Michael Chioldi
	<i>Blue collar man</i>	David Okerlund
	<i>Mayor George Moscone</i>	Gidon Saks
	<i>Supervisor Hutch</i>	Alison Buchanan
	<i>Supervisor Gonzales</i>	Stephen Bryant
	<i>Supervisor Silver</i>	Nicolle Foland
	<i>Supervisor Lau</i>	Ping Yu
	<i>Dianne Feinstein</i>	Juliana Gondek
	<i>Supervisor Dolson</i>	John Relyea
	<i>Supervisor Kopp</i>	Michael Chioldi
	<i>Supervisor Molinari</i>	David Okerlund
	<i>Supervisor Pelosi</i>	Stuart Skelton

*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: (not specified)

Saturday, November 9 1996, at 8:00 PM
 Wednesday, November 13 1996, at 7:30 PM
 Saturday, November 16 1996, at 8:00 PM
 Tuesday, November 19 1996, at 8:00 PM
 Thursday, November 21 1996, at 8:00 PM
 Sunday, November 24 1996, at 2:00 PM
 Wednesday, November 27 1996, at 8:30 PM
 Saturday, November 30 1996, at 8:00 PM

Act I -- The Closet
 Act II -- The Castro
 Act III -- City Hall

Sponsors:

The performance of November 16th is sponsored by Bain & Company

Notes:

West Coast premiere
Newly revised version

Multiple thanks and acknowledgements requested by the librettist are printed in the program

SUPERNUMERARIES

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Dan Wilson
Kit Winkoop

Note in the program for November 27th:

In this evening's performance of "Harvey Milk," in conjunction with the eighteenth annual Candlelight March marking the anniversary of the assassination of Harvey Milk, some of his friends and associates will appear onstage as participants in the parade scene at the end of Act Two. They include:

Ken Bunch
Gwen Craig
Heidi Downard
Wayne Friday
Cleve Jones
Carole Migden
Jeff Sheehy
Howard Wallace
Allen White

The opera is dedicated to the memory of Paul S. Woerner.