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Pikovaya Dama

(in Russian)

Opera in three acts by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Libretto by Modest Tchaikovsky

Based on a story by Alexander Sergeyeovich Pushkin

Conductor

Edo de Waart

Stage Director

John Copley

Designer

Robert O'Hearn

Lighting Designer

Thomas J. Munn

Sound Designer

Roger Gans

Chorus Director

Ian Robertson

Choreographer

Robert Ray

Musical Preparation

Ernest Fredric Knell

Robert Morrison

Susanna Lemberskaya

Prompter

Alexander Ryvkin

Assistant Stage Directors

Yefim Maizel

Laurie Feldman

Supertitles

Christopher Bergen

Stage Manager

Jerry Sherk

Tuesday, November 23 1993, at 7:30 PM

Friday, November 26 1993, at 7:30 PM

Wednesday, December 1 1993, at 7:30 PM

Saturday, December 4 1993, at 7:30 PM

Wednesday, December 8 1993, at 7:30 PM

Sunday, December 12 1993, at 1:30 PM

CAST

Chekalinsky Dennis Petersen

Surin Magnus Baldwinsson

Valery Portnov (12/1)

Gherman Vladimir Atlantov

Count Tomsky Valery Alexeiev

Prince Yeletsky Vladimir Redkin

Gino Quilico (12/4, 8, 12)

Lisa Maria Guleghina

The Countess Leonie Rysanek

Paulina Yanyu Guo

Governess Donna Petersen

Masha Laura Claycomb

Master of Ceremonies John Owens

Chloe Marie Plette

Deanna Barraza (12/12)

Daphnis Yanyu Guo

Plutus Valery Alexeiev

Cupid Debra Rose

Hymen Lee Bell

Chaplitsky Randolph Locke

Narumoff Daniel Sumegi

*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: Late 18th century; St. Petersburg

Act I, Scene 1 -- The summer garden

Act I, Scene 2 -- Lisa's room

INTERMISSION

Act II, Scene 1 -- An aristocrat's ballroom

Act II, Scene 2 -- The boudoir of the Countess

INTERMISSION

Act III, Scene 1 -- Gherman's quarters in the barracks

Act III, Scene 2 -- A canal by the Winter Palace

Act III, Scene 3 -- A private gambling salon

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Costumes executed by San Francisco Opera Costume Shop, Center Theater Group, and Jean Lamprell

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Brenda Czernysz
Beverly Terry

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David J. Clark
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Sophie Estrada
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