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Carmen

(in French)

Opera in four acts by Georges Bizet
Libretto by Henri Meilhac and Ludovic Halevy
Based on the novella by Prosper Mérimée

Conductor

Vjekoslav Sutej

Production

Jean-Pierre Ponnelle

Stage Director

Paula Williams

Set designer

Jean-Pierre Ponnelle

Costume Designer

Werner Juerke

Lighting Designer

Thomas J. Munn

Chorus Director

Ian Robertson

Musical Preparation

Susan Miller Hult

Bryndon Hassman

Christopher Larkin

Prompter

Susan Miller Hult

Assistant Stage Directors

Laurie Feldman

Sandra Bernhard

Supertitles

Christopher Bergen

Stage Manager

Gretchen Mueller

Saturday, October 12 1991, at 7:30 PM
Wednesday, October 16 1991, at 7:30 PM
Sunday, October 20 1991, at 1:30 PM
Wednesday, October 23 1991, at 7:30 PM
Friday, October 25 1991, at 7:30 PM
Saturday, October 26 1991, at 7:30 PM
Tuesday, October 29 1991, at 7:30 PM
Friday, November 1 1991, at 7:30 AM
Thursday, November 7 1991, at 7:30 PM
Sunday, November 10 1991, at 1:30 PM

CAST

<i>Moralès</i>	Mark Delavan
<i>Micaëla</i>	Patricia Racette (10/12,16,20,23,26) Cynthia Haymon
<i>A Gypsy girl</i>	Bryn McAfee
<i>Don José</i>	Barry McCauley Antonio Ordoñez (10/25,29)
<i>Zuniga</i>	James Wood
<i>Carmen</i>	Denyce Graves (10/12,25,29; 11/1) Kathleen Kuhlmann
<i>Manuelita</i>	Darla Wigginton
<i>Frasquita</i>	Laura Claycomb
<i>Mercédès</i>	Yanyu Guo
<i>Frasquita</i>	Maria Fortuna (10/12,16,20,23,26)
<i>Le Dançaire</i>	Hector Vasquez
<i>Le Remendado</i>	John Swenson
<i>Lillas Pastia</i>	Luis Oropeza
<i>Escamillo</i>	Dimitri Kharitonov (10/12,16,25;11/7,10) Robert Hale
<i>A guide</i>	Dobromir Montauk (10/12,16,20,23,26) Teddy Miller
<i>A vendor</i>	Page Swift
<i>A bohemian</i>	Frederick Matthews

*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: 19th century; Seville, Spain

Act I -- A street in Seville
Act II -- Lillas Pastia's tavern
Act III -- In the mountains
Act IV -- Outside the arena

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Stephen Meyer, Director
Roberto Barrueto
Gabriel Coffrey
Jonathan Napier-Morales
Michael Null
Adrian Paredes
Pieter Van Buskirk
Darien Wentworth
Michael Wood

Ragazzi, the Peninsula Boys Chorus
Joyce Keil, Director
Conrad Frank
John Harrison
Rigel Kilston
Jeremy Mascia
Juan Carlos Quinones
Michael Watts

San Francisco Boys Chorus
Eugene Pierce, Director
Nicholas Allen
Niels Bradshaw
Jordan Davis
Colin Delaney
Jeremy Faust
Laslo Gyulassi
John Haddick
Bellos Hadjirassiliow
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San Francisco Girls Chorus
Elizabeth Appling, Director
Hannah Appel
Anna Bergman
Melanie Escopete
Amy Harris
Rachel Herbert
Caitlin McClune
Kristin Oei
Emily Ryan
Dana Shaps
Jennifer Terry

Additional Boy Chorister
Darryl Temple

SUPERNUMERARIES

(Supernumeraries are not listed for the individual operas; this group covers the season's second group of three operas:

Susan Alden
Susan Anderson
Pat Angell
Elayne Ashman
Irene Bechtel
Phyllis Blair
Katherine Brazaitis
Madeline Chase

Kay Cheatham
Annette Clark
Renée DeJarnatt
Carol Dunlap
Darcy Fink
Mary Freeman
Diane Graham
Leah Hall
Mary Ann Hery
Peggy Hubacker
Joan Imbeau
Esther Jennings
Ann Masai Jones
Janet Johnston
Candace Kahn
Andrea Kohruss
Courtney Levin
Jan Moody
Bryn McAfee
Dorothy Papo
Ann Paras
Marianna Petroni
Cassandra Plott
Karen Burtness Prak
Marian Reyes
Ellen Sanchez
Mary Simon
Stella Tatro
Beverly Terry
Kimberly Thompson
Mimi Timberlake
Linda Unemori
Cecilia Valente
Carolyn Waugh
Susan Weiss
Susan Wendt-Bogear
Caper Whitfield
Deidre Whitfield
Laurel Winzler
Suzanna Yeh

Bob Acker
David Altman
Ted Alves
Gene Angell
John Atkinson
Frank Bauer
Steve Baumann
Don Bechtel
Rich Bechtel
Austin Bergin
Robert Black
Mark Burstein
Brian Busta
Peter Cannon
Tom Carlisle
Rey Carolino
Frank Cisek
David Clover
Joseph Cohen
Rudy Cook
Doug Couture
Copley Crosby
Vincent Cruz
Nick Doxey
Robert Dunn
John Durocher
Milko Encinas
Angelo Festa
David Finger
John Gilbert
Harold Ginsberg
Richard Goldman
Terry Gordon
Bill Higgins
Willard Holden
Alan Hubacker

Larry Hunnicutt
John Janonis
Clint Jennings
Bruce Jewett
Bob Johnson
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Sherman Lee
Dave Manning
Oscar Manzanares
Oren McEwen
Dan Melia
Ed Meyers
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Michael Molina
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Paul Newman
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John Plotz
Paul Ricks
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William Ruff
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Donald Share
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