

# Otello (Masonic Auditorium)

(in Italian)

Opera in four acts by Giuseppe Verdi

Libretto by Arrigo Boito

Based on the play by William Shakespeare

Supertitles underwritten through a generous grant from Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.

*Conductor*

Kazimierz Kord

*Production*

Jean-Pierre Ponnelle

*Stage director*

Grischa Asagaroff

*Designer*

Jean-Pierre Ponnelle

*Lighting Supervisor*

Joan Arhelger

*Chorus Director*

Ian Robertson

*Musical Preparation*

Scott Gilmore

Susanna Lemberskaya

Christopher Larkin

Patrick Summers

*Prompter*

Jonathan Khuner

*Sound Designer*

Roger Gans

*Fight Sequences*

Martino Pistone

*Assistant Stage Directors*

Laurie Feldman

Peter McClintock

*Supertitles*

Christopher Bergen

*Stage Manager*

Jamie Call

## CAST

<i>Montano</i>	Kristopher Irmiter
<i>Cassio</i>	John David De Haan
<i>Iago</i>	Brent Ellis
<i>Roderigo</i>	James Schwisow
<i>Otello</i>	Ermanno Mauro
<i>Desdemona</i>	Katia Ricciarelli
<i>Emilia</i>	Catherine Keen
<i>A herald</i>	LeRoy Villanueva
<i>Lodovico</i>	David Pittsinger

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: Late 15th century; a seaport on Cyprus

Friday, October 20 1989, at 8:00 PM

Act I -- Outside Otello's castle by the sea

Act II -- A hall and terrace of the castle

Act III -- The great hall of the castle

Act IV -- Desdemona's bedchamber

**Sponsors:**

**Notes:**

All database information regarding performances that followed the October 17th Loma Prieta earthquake is correct, but here is a summation:

Idomeneo, October 17 – cancelled  
Otello, October 20 – Moved to Masonic Auditorium  
Aida, October 21 – Moved to Masonic Auditorium  
Idomeneo, October 22 – Moved to Masonic Auditorium

This performance was given in "modified concert form," i.e. in costume and makeup, with some props and lights, but without supernumeraries and dancers.

Scenery constructed in San Francisco Opera Scenic Studios

Costumes executed by San Francisco Opera Costume Shop

Organ provided courtesy of Baldwin Piano & Organ Center, Santa Clara

San Francisco Girls Chorus  
Elizabeth Appling, Director

Michelle Clair  
Jessica Dunlap  
Cathleen Ellis  
Nina Fallon  
Amy Frey  
Rachel Goldsmith  
Sita Griffith  
Elizabeth Hanauer  
Natasha Hoehn  
Mihoko Ito  
Silvie Jensen  
Sasha Johnson  
Bayta Maring  
Megan McNamara  
Claire Mills  
Kristin Oei  
Amy Perez  
Maria Pilson  
Eufemia Plimpton  
Sabrina Raust  
Kimberly Sargent  
Dana Shaps  
Erin Smyth  
Carrie Spring  
Teresa Swendsen  
Marinda Thomas  
Blamoh Twegbe  
Elizabeth Warren  
Isis Yearwood

San Francisco Boys Chorus  
Philip Hahn, Director

David Alderman  
Kevin Angstenberger  
Edgar Chen  
Michael Davis  
Joseph Fanvu  
Mark Forte  
Iain Fry  
Bellos Hadjivassiliou  
Matthew Hammond  
Scott Kronmiller  
David Lee  
James Locke  
Nathaniel Morse  
Norman Moy  
James Muiter  
Grael Norton  
Christopher Olson

Gian Patel  
Joseph Penrod  
Pul Ryan  
Cole Thomason-Redus  
Kevin Traugott

DANCERS

Elizabeth Cooper  
Nora Heiber  
Marina Hotchkiss  
Carolyn Houser  
Debra Rose  
Laurie Skophammer  
Katherine Warner

Gregory Dawson  
Michael Denham  
Danny Furlong  
Geoffrey Hipps  
Steve Kirby  
Winthrop Marcirak  
Thomas Segal

SUPERNUMERARIES (second group of three operas)

Traudi Albert  
Pat Angell  
Elayne Ashman  
Phyllis Blair  
Dorothy Brown  
Regina Bustillos  
Sue Cammack  
Madeline Chase  
Kay Cheatham  
Phoebe Ciaffi  
Huguette Combes  
Jamie Daniels  
Renée DeJarnatt  
Ann Fitzgerald  
Debra Girard  
Karen Topp Goodwyn  
Diane Graham  
Joan Imbeau  
Candace Kahn  
Valarie Klingenberg  
Andrea Kohlruss  
Dorothy Papo  
Ann Paras  
Stephanie Salter  
Ellen Sanchez  
Stella Tatro  
Beverly Terry  
Sally Warren  
Carolyn Waugh  
Marianne Welmers  
Susan Wendt-Bogear  
Laurel Winzler

Bob Acker  
Joseph Alietti  
David Altman  
Gene Angell  
Phillip Barber  
Stephen Bartlett-Re  
Steve Bauman  
Jeff Beaudoin  
Don Bechtel  
Austin Bergin  
Mike Berkowitz  
John Bleyle  
John Boldrick  
Vincent Brooks  
Al Carter  
Peter Chrisler  
Stewart Clark  
David Clover  
David Cook

Rudy Cook  
Copley Crosby  
Gil Deane  
Gary Demyen  
Kermit Duval  
Lawrence Ewing  
Rodney Felix  
Peter Felleman  
Tom Ferguson  
Joe Fiorentino  
John Gilbert  
Tom Giuliano  
Albert Goodwyn  
Karl Grimm  
Bill Higgins  
Willard Holden  
Eric Janovsky  
Cecil Johnson  
Mitch Johnson  
Frank Jorgensen  
Joe Kelley  
Andrew Korniej  
Dan Kyte  
Greg Lawrance  
Neil Larson  
Mike Lee  
Timothy Locke  
Peter Loubal  
Nelson Luesse  
Oscar Manzanares  
Ray Mark  
Dennis Markunas  
Robert McKibbon  
Ed Meyers  
Dan Melia  
Jim Miller  
Matt Miller  
Edward Milhausen  
Ian Mishkin  
Brent Mitchell  
Bob Nathanson  
Noah Nelson  
Barry Nielsen  
Anthony O'Brien  
Gerald O'Dwyer  
Eric Oliver  
Dick Pallowick  
Les Partridge  
Christopher Patnoe  
Jay Perlman  
Mike Pesavento  
Scott Petry  
John Plotz  
Kirk Poole  
Karl Przibram  
Tom Purcell  
Paul Price  
Steve Rades  
Paul Ricks  
Norm Robins  
Bill Roehl  
David Rohrer  
Steven Rosen  
Paul Salemme  
Steve Scales  
Louis Schilling  
Don Share  
Jim Shea  
John Shea  
Chris Sheffield  
Ray Shimada  
Wolfram Siede  
Steve Siegelman  
Michael Silva  
Geoff Skidmore  
Rod Smith  
Ray Souza

Jon Spieler  
Larry Stites  
Bob Stroman  
Scott Swanson  
Alvin Taylor  
Bill Tillman  
Richard Vagts  
Eric Vink  
Jack Walker  
Terry Washburn  
Jim Warner  
Alex Weibezahn  
Gary Wendt-Bogear  
Rick Weil  
Silsa Wheaton  
Bruce Woodward

BOYS

Robert Azevedo  
Ryan Baird  
Andy Bruvry  
Paul Cheatham  
Ivan Cooper  
Matt Dalton  
Danny Deixler  
J.P. Eby  
Kyle Glankler  
Nicholas Nackley  
Sean Peisert  
Zack Smith  
Etan Zaitso