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# La Gioconda

(in Italian)

Opera in four acts by Amilcare Ponchielli

Libretto by Arrigo Boito

Based on the play "Angelo, Tyran de Padoue" by Victor Hugo

Supertitles provided by a generous and most appreciated gift from William and Eloise Rollnick.

*Conductor*

Kazimierz Kord

*Stage director*

Anne Ewers

*Designer*

Zack Brown

*Lighting Designer*

Thomas J. Munn

*Chorus Director*

Ian Robertson

*Choreographer*

Vassily Sulich

*Musical Preparation*

Richard Amner

Christopher Larkin

Scott Gilmore

Svetlana Gorzhevskaya

Joseph De Rugeriis

Philip Eisenberg

Jonathan Khuner

*Prompter*

Philip Eisenberg

*Sound Designer*

Roger Gans

*Assistant Stage Directors*

Laurie Feldman

Paula Williams

*Supertitles*

Clifford Cranna

*Stage Manager*

Jerry Sherk

## CAST

<i>Barnaba</i>	Cornelis Ophthof
<i>La Gioconda</i>	Eva Marton
	Galina Savova (12/10)
<i>La Cieca</i>	Sheila Nadler
<i>Zuàne</i>	Kristopher Irmiter
<i>Isèpo</i>	Dennis Petersen
<i>Enzo Grimaldo</i>	Vyacheslav Polozov
<i>Laura Adorno</i>	Cleopatra Ciurca
	Stefania Toczyska (12/6)
	Katherine Ciesinski (12/10)
<i>Alvise Badoero</i>	Bonaldo Giaiotti
<i>A monk</i>	David Pittsinger
<i>A steersman</i>	Frederick Matthews
<i>A street singer</i>	David Pittsinger
<i>Two voices</i>	Sigmund Seigel
	Valery Portnov
<i>Prima ballerina</i>	Tracy-Kai Maier
<i>Cavalier</i>	Horacio Cifuentes
<i>Court Jester</i>	Julian Montaner

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: 17th-century Venice

Sunday, November 20 1988, at 1:30 PM  
Wednesday, November 23 1988, at 7:30 PM  
Sunday, November 27 1988, at 1:30 PM  
Thursday, December 1 1988, at 7:30 PM  
Saturday, December 3 1988, at 7:30 PM  
Tuesday, December 6 1988, at 7:30 PM  
Saturday, December 10 1988, at 7:30 PM

Act I -- Piazzetta of San Marco  
Act II -- Aboard the Dalmatian ship Hecate  
Act III, Scene 1 -- A room in Alvise's palace  
Scene 2 -- A great hall in the Cà d'Oro  
Act IV -- A ruined palace on the island of Giudecca

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**Notes:**

Scenery constructed in San Francisco Opera Scenic Studios

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

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Julie Ancheta  
Hannah Appel  
Victoria Barrett  
Danielle Bush  
Pauline Chew  
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Amy Harris  
Misuzu Ito  
Lee Menzies  
Abigail Ramsden  
Elaine Robertson  
Mirabai Weismehl

San Francisco Boys Chorus -- Singing Boys of San Francisco Bay  
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Catherine Doyle, Associate Director

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Kevin Angstenterger  
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Bernard Bowen  
Adriel Brito  
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Weldon Cheung  
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Kirk McCutcheon  
Norman Moy  
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Gregory North  
Grael Norton  
Joseph Penrod  
Shange Petrini  
Gabriel Pinkerton  
Eric Quijano  
Patrick Robertson  
Paul Ryan  
Jaime Schmiechen  
Toby Stewart  
Michael Stith  
Neil Sugay  
Stephen Sugay  
Peter Tebault  
Colin Trevorrow  
John Wheeler-Rappe

DANCERS

Jill Albertson  
Nora Heiber  
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Carolyn Houser  
Marilyn Miller  
Debra Rose  
Kathryn Roszak  
Ursula Sapien  
Katherine Warner

Bobby Ames  
Gregory Dawson  
Frank Dellapolla  
Geoffrey Hipps  
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Richard Redlefsen  
Keith Schaeffer  
Ryan Brooke Taylor

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Katherine Brazaitis  
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Renée DeJarnatt  
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