

The 1987 presentation of "The Queen of Spades" is sponsored, in part, by a grant from the people at Chevron

Pikovaya Dama

(in Russian)

Opera in three acts by Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Libretto by Modest Tchaikovsky

Based on a story by Alexander Sergeyeovich Pushkin

Conductor

Emil Tchakarov

Stage director

Basil Coleman

Designer

Robert O'Hearn

Lighting Designer

Thomas J. Munn

Lighting Supervisor

Joan Arhelger

Sound Designer

Roger Gans

Chorus Director

Ian Robertson

Choreographer

Vassily Sulich

Musical Preparation

Robert Morrison

Christopher Larkin

Jonathan Khuner

Susanna Lemberskaya

Prompter

Jonathan Khuner

Assistant Stage Director

Laurie Feldman

Supertitles

Christopher Bergen

Stage Manager

Jerry Sherk

Monday, November 23 1987, at 8:00 PM

Friday, November 27 1987, at 8:00 PM

Tuesday, December 1 1987, at 8:00 PM

Saturday, December 5 1987, at 8:00 PM

Wednesday, December 9 1987, at 7:30 PM

Sunday, December 13 1987, at 2:00 PM

CAST

Chekalinsky Dennis Petersen

Surin Philip Skinner

Gherman Wieslaw Ochman

Count Tomsky Timothy Noble

Prince Yeletsky J. Patrick Raftery

Lisa Stefka Evstatieva

The Countess Régine Crespin

Paulina Kathryn Cowdrick

Governess Donna Petersen

Masha Sara Ganz

Master of Ceremonies Douglas Wunsch

Chloe Susan Patterson

Daphnis Kathryn Cowdrick

Plutus Mark Delavan

Cupid Shan-Yee Poon

Hymen Antonio Lopez

Chaplitsky Michael Rees Davis

Narumoff Monte Pederson

*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

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

Act I, Scene 1 -- The summer garden

Scene 2 -- Lisa's room

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

Scene 2 -- The boudoir of the Countess

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

Scene 2 -- The canal by the Winter Palace

Scene 3 -- A private gambling salon

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Notes:

Scenery constructed in San Francisco Opera Scenic Studios

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

San Francisco Boys Chorus
Louis Magor, Director
Trevor Bjorklund
Aram Bloom
Brendan Bosch
John Bradley
Aaron Burke
Conal Byrne
Jen Chang
Brian Clark
Cameron Crisman
Michael Dobson
Richard Harper
Brian Hiefield
Ross Jensen
Adam Lipski
David Liu
Gabriel Pinkerton
Daniel Raznick
Jeffrey Rice
Benjamin Rudiak-Gould
Paul Ryan
Benjamin Salsbury
Colin Trevorrow
Kalei Wenner

San Francisco Girls Chorus
Elizabeth Appling, Director
Caren Anderson
Jennie Bemdesderfer
Mira Dittmer
Gretchen Ernster
Andrea Massey
Abigail Ramsden

DANCERS
Peggy Davis
Carolyn Houser
Leda Meredith
Robin Peluso
Debra Rose
Kathryn Roszak
Katherine Warner

Bobby Aames
Rockne Boger
Dudley Brooks
Peter Childers
John Ferrare
Daniel Ray
John Vardakastanis

SUPERNUMERARIES
Susan Anderson
Katherine Brazaitis
Madeline Chase
Phoebe Ciaffi
Renée DeJarnatt
Robin Hodgkin
Valerie Klingenberg
Holly Morrison
Nancy Petrisko
Burgess Shiu
Carolyn Waugh

Sally Warren
Susan Weiss
Laurel Winzler

Peter Alfano
Richard Ares
Victor Banis
Stephen Bartlett-Re
Franklin Bauer
Steve Bauman
Bob Belt
Brett Bennett
John Bogan
Bruce Brown
Rick Campbell
Stewart Clark
David Clover
Don Correia
Roger Davidson
Terry DeMoss
Timothy Dials
Kermit DuVal
David Elkind
Peter Felleman
Kenneth Fox
Mickey Frettoloso
Eugenio Gamez
Phil Gibson
John Gilbert
Kyle Glenn
Richard Goldman
Albert Goodwyn
Bill Higgins
Mark Huelsmann
Joseph Kelley
Michael Kossman
David Larson
Gregory Lawrance
Martin Lewis
William Martin
Oren McEwen
Matthew Miller
Ian Mishkin
Paul Newman
Barry Nielsen
Chris Noll
Richard Pallowick
Michael Pesavento
David Peters
Tom Purcell
Steve Rades
Bill Randol
Paul Ricks
Steve Rosen
Michael Schoenig
Steve Siegelman
Art Simon
Ray Souza
Jim Stranberg
Max Subervi
Scott Swanson
Alvin Taylor
Allen Tusting
Alex Weibezahn
Rick Weil
Gary Wendt-Bogear
Joe Willis
Bruce Woodward