

# La Forza del Destino (Los Angeles)

(in Italian)

Opera in four acts by Giuseppe Verdi

Libretto by Francesco Maria Piave

*Conductor*

Gaetano Merola

*Stage director*

Armando Agnini

*Chorus Director*

Kurt Herbert Adler

## CAST

*Marquis of Calatrava* Lorenzo Alvary

*Donna Leonora, his daughter* Dusolina Giannini

*Don Carlo, his son* Leonard Warren

*Don Alvaro* Frederick Jagel

*Abbot of Hornachuelos* Ezio Pinza

*Fra Melitone, a friar* Salvatore Baccaloni

*Preziosilla* Christine Johnson

*Curra* Thelma Votipka

*Trabuco* Alessio De Paolis

*The Surgeon* George Cehanovsky

*Alcalde* Lorenzo Alvary

*An Old Woman* Leila Cambi

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: Middle of the Eighteenth Century; Spain and Italy

Saturday, November 6 1943, at 8:00 PM

Act I, Scene 1 -- Room in the House of Marquis of Calatrava

Scene 2 -- An inn at Hornachuelos

Act II -- The Cloister of the Monastery at Hornachuelos

Act III -- Desolate Farm House in Velletri Wood

Act IV, Scene 1 -- Same as Act II

Scene 2 -- A Solitary Spot near the Convent

**Sponsors:**

**Notes:**

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Program note:

The opera was first produced in St. Petersburg, November 11, 1862.

Seven years later at La Scala another scene was added.

The original production is given here with the overture played  
between Scenes 1 and 2 of Act I.

The curtain time is a guess; touring records include evening but the starting times.