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THE OPERA INSTITUTE

OPERA Nasterpieces

MUSICAL DIRECTION: BRIAN FARRELL Stage direction: Suzan Hanson Pianists: Clara Stosch, Ronin del Castillo

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2017 8:00PM Sunday, November 5, 2017 4:00PM

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WELCOME...

We welcome you to Opera Masterpieces 2017 at The Bob Cole Conservatory!

This year we've chosen a number of extended scenes which have afforded our talented singers the opportunity to sustain their exploration of character in musical as well as dramatic terms, and in actual stage time. These longer scenes will be punctuated by intimate duets and arias, which give the singers a chance to explore an intense specificity of character in a heightened state.

We hope you'll enjoy sharing our journey!

Thank you for your continued interest and support.

Sincerely,

Suzan Hanson and **Brian Farrell** *Opera Institute* Bob Cole Conservatory of Music

UPCOMING FALL 2017 EVENTS:

Opera Scenes Brian Farrell, musical director /Suzan Hanson, stage director **Saturday, November 18, 2017 8:00pm Sunday 19, 2017 1:00pm** Daniel Recital Hall Tickets \$10/7

Don't miss our Winter Festival 2017 Concert

Saturday, December 2, 2017 @ 4:00pm + 8:00pm Sunday, December 3, 2017 @ 4:00pm The Brass Consortium and the combined Choirs of The Bob Cole Conservatory Jonathan Talberg, director First Congregational Church of Long Beach Tickets \$30/20/15



PROGRAM

ENGELBERT HUMPERDINCK

Act 1— Duet from Hänsel und Gretel Hänsel: Michaela Blanchard Gretel: Caroline Hyatt

Claudio Monteverdi

Act 3—Duet from L'incoronazione di Poppea (1651) Nerone: Jasmine Khorsandi Poppea: Kelsey Reynolds

BENJAMIN BRITTEN Act 2—"Give him this orchid!" from *The Rape of Lucretia* (1946) Lucretia: Pauline Tamale

Act 1—Finale from *Albert Herring* (1947)

Albert: Thomas Murphy O'Hara Mum: Kathleen Moriarty Florence Pike: Jasmine Khorsandi Lady Billows: Brittany Logan Superintendent Budd: Malek Sammour Mr. Gedge: Stefan Jevtic Mr. Upfold: Berkley Kielhack Emmie: Caroline Hyatt Cis: Sarah Conniff Harry: Michaela Blanchard Miss Wordsworth: Kelsey Reynolds

INTERMISSION

GIOACCHINO ROSSINI Act 1–Scenes 1 & 2 from *La Cenerentola* (1817) Clorinda: Sarah Conniff Tisbe: Pauline Tamale Angelina (Cenerentola): Michaela Blanchard Alidoro: Stefan Jevtic Chorus of Servants: Berkley Kielhack, Tim Cervenka, Malek Sammour

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Act 3—"D'Oreste, d'Ajace ho in seno i tormenti" from *Idomeneo* (1781) Elettra: Madeleine Adragna

CHARLES GOUNOD

Act 3—Quartet from Faust (1859) Marguerite: Caroline Hyatt Marthe: Pauline Tamale Faust:Thomas Murphy O'Hara Méphistophélès: Malek Sammour

Francesco Cilea

Act 1—"Io son l'umile ancella" from *Adriana Lecouvreur* (1902) Adriana: Brittany Logan

RICHARD STRAUSS

Act 2—Duet from *Der Rosenkavalier* (1911) Sophie: Sarah Conniff Octavian: Kathleen Moriarty Annina: Jasmine Khorsandi

Giacomo Puccini

Opening Scene from *Gianni Schicchi* (1918) Zita: Jasmine Khorsandi Nella: Brittany Logan Gherardo: Berkley Kielhack Gherardino: Niko Murakami Rinuccio: Thomas Murphy O'Hara Betto: Stefan Jevtic Simone: Malek Sammour Marco: Tim Cervenka La Ciesca: Madeleine Adragna Buoso Donati: Kelsey Reynolds

SUZAN HANSON OUR GUEST DIRECTOR Suzan Hanson is very pleased to guest direct for the

Bob Cole Conservatory Opera Masterpieces. As director and dramaturge, Suzan has created, adapted and translated a variety of performance pieces, such as *North / South* (Co-creator / Dramaturge / Director / Principal) for USC Voices and Visions, *Smoke and Mirrors; the Alchemy of Desire* (Cocreator / Director / Co-star) for El Camino College Performing Arts Series, and *Medea* (Translation / Adaptation / Star) for Long Beach Opera.

Suzan has served as Assistant Director to Andreas Mitisek for *Aknahten, Van Gogh, The Tell Tale Heart, Marilyn Forever,* and to David Schweizer for *Hydrogen Jukebox,* all at Long Beach Opera. For the past two years, Suzan was a faculty member of Angels Vocal Arts, as stage director.

Suzan enjoys an extensive worldwide performing career in Opera, Musical Theater, Theater, and on the Concert stage. In March 2018, Suzan will sing the role of Dora in Stewart Copeland's *The Invention of Morel*, a role she helped create through workshops with the composer. *(www.suzanhanson.com)*

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