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The singers in this performance are drawn from the studios of Merla Aikman, Alan Ord, and Harold Wiens.

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The University of Alberta Department of Music

presents

# **Dido and Aeneas**

by Henry Purcell

and

# The Night Bell

by Gaetano Donizetti

8:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 4 Victoria Composite High School Auditorium

1981

# Dido and Aeneas

# Cast (in order of appearance)

Belinda Mardene Francis Dido Marilyn Stetsko Second Woman Suzanne Dvck Aeneas Gordon Maxwell Sorceress Heather Mevers First Witch Nelda Schulte Second Witch Jan Mitchell Spirit Bonnie Panych Sailor Brvan Butler

Chorus of Courtiers and People, Witches and Sailors

# Dancers

#### Cupids Sailors Lara Pinchbeck Stephanie Achuff Carla Patterson Pamela Smee Miselle Trischuck Tanva Rich Maurine Rode Judi Rich Sarah Makins Katie Irwin Maura Burns Kyla Kupchenko Barbara Von Roberta Cooper **Tigerstrom** Jackie Poekens Flavia Robles Stephen Ashe Heather Kearns Pas de Deux Amy Schwartz Jackie Poekens

Stephen Ashe

Synopsis. Dido, Queen of Carthage, falls in love with Aeneas, the Trojan hero who has been cast on her shore after the fall of Troy. A sorcerer in the guise of Mercury, messenger of the gods, informs Aeneas he must leave Dido and go with his men to found Rome. Dido laments the loss of her love and takes poison.

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# St. Cecilia Opera Orchestra

# First Violins

Lawrie Hill, concertmaster Andrea Opgenorth Nancy Bias Ann Dunn Monica Oelke Dianne Vaasjo Nori Patterson

# Second Violins

Murray Vaasjo, principal Rod Olstad Amelia Kaminski Kevin Houston Patricia Enokson Patti Sorenson

# Violas

Neil Miskey, principal Andrew Brown Ron Komarniski Cherie Larson Sanda McClellan Sabina Qureshi

# Cellos

Harold Birston, principal Frances Jellard Susan Spencer

## Bass

John Hyde, principal Diane Brulhart Neal Evans

# Piccolo

Maureen Crotty

## Flute Bill Damur

## Oboes

Marla McCready Delane Peters

### Clarinets

Don Ross Wendy Lycan David Quinn

#### Bassoons

John Feldberg Rob Morewood

## Horns

Ken Howe Clarke MacIntosh

# Trumpets

Dawn Hage Mitchell Howard

# Trombone

James Pfeiffer

# Percussion Peter Gillespie

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# Timpani

Jay Walbaum

# Harpsichord/Piano

Sylvia Shadick

# Opera Chorus

# Soprano

Peggy Johnson Patricia Swan Cindy Busler Shauna Still Margaret Wallwork Patti Irwin Elvira McInerney Dolores Groot

#### Alto

Jean Matheson Sharon Huff Lisa Tinney Mary Swan Candace Marles Beth Raycroft

## Tenor

Bryan Butler Jeffrey Siegel Darald Bantel Wayne Karpoff Gary Kruschke

# Bass

Jay Halls Dom Roy Mark Israel Steven Halls

# The Night Bell

# Cast (in order of appearance)

Don Annibale Alan Ord
Spiridione Gerhard Kruschke
Madame Rosa Nancy Millions
Serafina Stephanie Dea
Enrico Jim Raycroft

Don Annibale's relations, and wedding guests.

Synopsis. An elederly Neapolitan apothecary Don Annibale, marries young and pretty Serafina, Enrico, a gay young blade, plans revenge. Three times, as the old man is ready for bed, Enrico rings the bell that an apothecary may not ignore. First he simulates a Frenchman who demands wine; next a singer who has lost his voice and needs lozenges; last, a doddering old man who lists his wife's illnesses ad infinitum. The opera ends as the dawn breaks and the bell is rung for the last time to announce the coach and horses which will drive Don Annibale to Rome, where his presence is needed to settle a will. He loses Serafina's dowry because the marriage has not been consummated in the time required by law.

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