



SAN FRANCISCO  
OPERA EDUCATION

## ***THE GIRL OF THE GOLDEN WEST***

### **PRODUCTION TEAM BIOGRAPHY**

#### **GIUSEPPE FINZI, *Conductor***



**Giuseppe Finzi** (conductor), assistant music director for San Francisco Opera, made his Company debut in 2008 conducting *The Elixir of Love for Families* and returned for performances of *La Bohème*. A native of Bari, Italy, he studied composition and conducting at the Milan's Giuseppe Verdi Conservatory. Finzi has worked as an assistant conductor, coach and pianist at Milan's La Scala, the Teatro Carlo Felice in Genoa, the Teatro Giuseppe Verdi in Florence and Ravenna's Teatro Alighieri. He made his conducting debut in 2003 with *Tosca* at the Teatro Rendano in Cosenza and returned in 2004 for *La Traviata*. Finzi has since led productions of *L'Elisir d'Amore* and *Madama Butterfly* in Catanzaro, *Rigoletto* in Tirana, *L'Elisir d'Amore* in Foggia and *Carmen* in Calabria and Fidenza. His upcoming engagements include *Così fan tutte* in Brindisi and at Milan's Piccolo Teatro. In the 2009-10 San Francisco Opera season Finzi conducts performances of *Abduction from the Seraglio* and *La Fanciulla del West*.