



THE GIRL OF THE GOLDEN WEST

RESOURCES

Books

The Girl of the Golden West

Author: David Belasco. Notes: David Belasco's stage play, *The Girl of the Golden West*, was the source material for Puccini's opera. English. 364 pages. Nabu Press. 2010.

La Fanciulla del West in Full Score

Author: Giacomo Puccini. Notes: Set in the days of the California Gold Rush, *La Fanciulla del West (The Girl of the Golden West)* is a staple of the repertoire, filled with dramatic touches, much lyric beauty and brilliant orchestration. Its dramatic scale and harmonic and melodic inventiveness foreshadow the remarkable originality and audacity of Puccini's great last opera, *Turandot*. English. 448 pages. Dover Publications. 1997.

La Fanciulla del West: Vocal Score

Author: Giacomo Puccini. Notes: Translated by Editor Henri Elkan. Italian/English. 350 pages. Ricordi. 1986.

Puccini and the Girl: Opera: History and Reception of The Girl of the Golden West

Author: Annie Randall and Rosalind Gray Davis. Notes: Annie J. Randall and Rosalind Gray Davis base their account of its creation on previously unknown letters from Puccini to his main librettist, Carlo Zangarini. They mine musical materials, newspaper accounts, and rare photographs and illustrations to tell the full story of this controversial opera. *Puccini and the Girl* considers the production and reception of Puccini's "cowboy" opera in the light of contemporary criticism, providing both fascinating insight into its history and a look to the future as its centenary approaches. English. 248 pages. University of Chicago Press. 2007.

Puccini's THE GIRL OF THE GOLDEN WEST: Opera Classics Library Series

Author: Burton D. Fisher. Notes: A comprehensive guide to Puccini's *The Girl of the Golden West*, featuring insightful and in depth Commentary and Analysis, and a complete, newly translated Libretto with Italian/English side-by side. English. 124 pages. Opera Journeys Publishing. 2005.

Films/DVDs

Puccini - La Fanciulla del West / Daniels, Domingo, Milnes, Croft, Laciura, Fitch, Slatkin, Metropolitan Opera (1992) Actors: Barbara Daniels, Plácido Domingo, Sherrill Milnes, Dwayne Croft. Conductor: Leonard Slatkin. Language: English. DVD. 2005.

Puccini - La Fanciulla del West / Santi, Domingo, Neblett, Royal Opera Covent Garden (1983)

Actors: Plácido Domingo, Carol Neblett, Silvano Carroli, Francis Egerton, Robert Lloyd. Conductor: Nello Santi. Language: English. DVD. 2003.

Puccini - La Fanciulla Del West / Teatro La Scala (1991)

Actors: Mara Zampieri, Juan Pons, Plácido Domingo, Sergio Bertocchi, Luigi Roni. Conductor: Lorin Maazel. Language: Italian. DVD. 1998.

Puccini - La Fanciulla del West (2005)

Actors: Daniela Dessi, Fabio Armiliato, Lucio Gallo, Alberto Veronesi, Massimo La Guardia. Conductor: Alberto Veronesi. Language: Italian. DVD. 2010.

Puccini - La Fanciulla del West / Zampieri, Domingo, Pons, Bertocchi, Maazel, La Scala Opera (1991)

Actors: Mara Zampieri, Plácido Domingo, Juan Pons. Conductor: Lorin Maazel. Language: Italian. 2001.

Puccini - La Fanciulla del West (1963)

Actors: Antonietta Stella, Gastone Limarilli, Anselmo Colzani. Conductor: Oliviero de Fabritiis. Language: Italian. DVD. 2008.

CDs

Puccini: La fanciulla del West

Composer: Giacomo Puccini. Performers: Plácido Domingo, Carol Neblett, Sherrill Milnes, William Elvin, Robin Leggate. Language: Italian. Conductor: Zubin Mehta, Royal Opera House Covent Garden. 1990.

Puccini: La fanciulla del West

Composer: Giacomo Puccini. Performers: Mara Zampieri, Plácido Domingo, Juan Pons, Pietro Spagnoli, Luigi Roni, Ernesto Gavazzi. Language: Italian. Conductor: Lorin Maazel, La Scala Theater Orchestra. 1999.

Puccini: La fanciulla del West

Composer: Giacomo Puccini. Performers: Angelo Mercuriali, Athos Cesarini, Enzo Sordello, Franco Corelli, Franco Ricciardi. Language: Italian. Conductor: Antonino Votto, La Scala Theater Orchestra. 2001.

Puccini: La fanciulla del West

Composer: Giacomo Puccini. Performers: Angelo Mercuriali, Athos Cesarini, Bianca Maria Casoni, Cornell MacNeil, Dario Caselli. Language: Italian. Conductor: Franco Capuana, Accademia di Santa Cecilia Orchestra. 2002.

Puccini: La fanciulla del West

Composer: Giacomo Puccini. Performers: Jonathan Summers, Sherrill Milnes, Gwynne Howell, Robert Lloyd, Tom McDonnell. Language: Italian. Conductor: Zubin Mehta, Royal Opera House Chorus and Orchestra Covent Garden. 2004.

Puccini: La fanciulla del West

Composer: Giacomo Puccini. Performers: Andrea Mongelli, Angelo Mercuriali, Antonio Cassinelli, Antonio Costantino, Birgit Nilsson. Language: Italian. Conductor: Lovro von Matacic, La Scala Theater Orchestra. 2007.

Puccini: La fanciulla del West

Composer: Giacomo Puccini. Performers: Angelo Mercuriali, Athos Cesarini, Carlo Forti, Enzo Sordello, Eraldo Coda. Language: Italian. Conductor: Antonino Votto, La Scala Theater Orchestra. 2007.

Puccini: La fanciulla del West

Composer: Giacomo Puccini. Performers: Agostino Ferrin, Alberto Lotti Camici, Brenno Ristori, Eleanor Steber, Enzo Guagni. Language: Italian. Conductor: Dimitri Mitropoulos, Maggio Musicale Fiorentino Orchestra. 2008.

Puccini: La fanciulla del West

Composer: Giacomo Puccini. Performers: Alessandro Maddalena, Angelo Nosotti, Anna Lia Bazzani, Augusto Pedroni, Augusto Veronese. Language: Italian. Conductor: Oliviero de Fabritiis, Fenice Theater Orchestra. 2009.