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**The Manoel Theatre**

presents

**L-Għaqda Kantanti Lirici Maltin**

and the

**Manoel Theatre Orchestra**

conducted by

**Joseph Sammut**

in a

**Vocal and Instrumental  
Concert**

at the

**Manoel Theatre**

**21st June 1989**

## PROGRAMME

**Semiramide** Overture

**Nabucco**

*Cavatina*: "Sperate, o figli!" (Act I)  
Bass and choir

**La Favorita**

*Aria*: "O mio Fernando" (Act II)  
Soprano

**Adriana Lecouvreur**

*Aria*: "La dolcissima effigi" (Act I)  
Tenor

**La Cenerentola**

*Scena*: "Nacqui all'affanno" (Act II)  
Mezzo soprano

**I Puritani**

*Duetto*: "Suoni la tromba" (Act II)  
Baritone and bass

**I Due Foscari**

*Barcarola*: "Tace il vento" (Act III)  
Choir

**Tosca**

*Duetto*: "Mario, Mario" (Act I)  
Soprano and tenor

**I Vespri Siciliani**

*Scena ed Aria*: "O tu, Palermo" (Act II)  
Bass

**I Martiri**

*Pregiera*: "Laus Deo" (Act II, Finale)  
Bass and choir

**Rossini**  
**Verdi**

**Donizetti**

**Cilea**

**Rossini**

**Bellini**

**Verdi**

**Puccini**

**Verdi**

**Pace**

Highlights from: **La Gioconda**

**Ponchielli**

*Coro d'introduzione*: "Festa e pane" (Act I)

*Monologo*: "O monumento" (Act I)

*Scena e Duetto*: "Qui chiamata m'avete?" (Act III)

*Romanza*: "Cielo e mar" (Act II)

*Balletto*: "La danza delle ore" (Act III)

*Romanza*: "Voce di donna" (Act I)

*Aria*: "Suicidio" (Act IV)

*Barcarola*: "Pescator, affonda l'esca" (Act II)

**The Manoel Theatre Orchestra**

Conducted by **Joseph Sammut**

Leader **George Spiteri**

Soloists:

**Antoinette Miggiani**, soprano

**Marie Therese Vassallo**, mezzo soprano

**Joe Hiber**, tenor

**Joe Fenech**, baritone

**Joe Vella Bondin**, bass

**Cynthia Genovese**, choir pianist

**Members of the Gh.K.L.M choir**

*Sopranos*: Phyllis Bajada Abram, Lydia Caruana, Miriam Cauchi, Rose Ciantar, Catherine Gauci, Pauline Pace.

*Contraltos*: Janine Attard, Mary Bugeja, Josephine Falzon, Chiara Felice, Mary Zammit.

*Tenors*: Samwel Bezzina, Brian Cefai, Arthur Micallef, Jimmy Mifsud, Andrew Sapiano, Valente Saliba.

*Basses*: Noel Ciantar, Pio Dalli, Emanuel Falzon, Harold Mallia Zarb, John Midolo, John Spiteri, John Vella Bondin.

**I n t e r v a l**



## Għaqda Kantanti Liriċi Maltin



The Għaqda Kantanti Liriċi Maltin (Association of Maltese Opera Singers), which is making its first public appearance in today's concert, statutorily came into being on the 20th February of this year, though discussions about its formation had been going on since July of last year when some of the leading local opera singers started meeting regularly to establish it, feeling that there was an urgent need for an association which can function as a platform of discussion to further their interests.

According to its statue, its aims are:

1. to encourage and raise the level of lyric singing in Malta;
2. to advance the musical interests of its members;
3. to promote activities in keeping with its members' interests.

The **Għaqda** is run by an annually elected committee which currently is formed by Joe Fenech, **president**; Joe Vella Bondin, **secretary**; Marie Therese Vassallo, **treasurer**; and Tanya Parlato Trigona and Andrew Sapiano, **members**.

To qualify for membership, a person must be an established singer and be able to read music.

In the association there is very little distinction between soloists and choristers as those members who are capable of singing solo parts are also regular choir members when not required to sing as soloists. This evening, for example, there are members who normally sing as soloists taking part in the choir.

The setting up of the **Għaqda** has been received with wide consensus and its future plans include a concert in September and an opera by a Maltese composer in October.

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