



## A Night at the OPERA

*Hilton Head Orchestra performs Lucia Di Lammermoor*

Soprano Laura Sutton Floyd will sing the title role in the Hilton Head Orchestra's concert performances of Gaetano Donizetti's bel canto masterpiece *Lucia Di Lammermoor* on Sunday and Monday, February 13 and 14, 2005, 8 pm at the First Presbyterian Church. The performances are the 4th in the Prelude Series and 7th in the Monday Master Series led by Music Director Mary Woodmansee Green in the Hilton Head Orchestra's 23rd season.

Based on Sir Walter Scott's novel, *The Bride of Lammermoor*, Donizetti's bel canto opera has dazzled audiences around the world with its extraordinary vocal pyrotechnics since it was written in 1835. From the opening measure through the dramatic sextet to the psychological high point of the opera – the famous Act III "Mad Scene," the opera is a masterpiece of beautiful melody filled with intense emotion.

Green has assembled a stellar cast for this production. Floyd, a favorite with area audiences, has been an active part of the island musical scene since moving here in 1999. She has appeared with the HHO as Micaela in Bizet's *Carmen*, and the soloist in Orff's *Carmina Burana*. Lucia's brother Enrico will be played by baritone Thadd Shirey, who has previously appeared with the as Escamillo in *Carmen* and Alfio in *Cavalleria*

*Rustica*. Tenor Garry Grice will perform the role of Lucia's lover Edgardo. Grice has performed in the U.S. and Canada. He made his Baltimore Opera debut with his first excursion into the Russian repertoire in the original language in *Lady Macbeth*.

Two roles, those of Normanno and Arturo, will be performed by tenor Jim Broussard from Greenville, who last appeared in the HHO's tribute to Richard Rodgers. Joining the HHO for another performance in the role of Alisia is Thesesa D'Andrea, who has appeared with her husband Thadd Shirey in the HHO's "Symphony Under the Stars" and in the productions of *Cavalleria Rusticana* and *Carmen*. Completing the production will be The Low Country Festival Chorus, prepared by Tim Reynolds.

Recommended "Literary Accompaniments" for these concerts are: Sir Walter Scott, "The Bride of Lammermoor"; Fred Plotkin, "Opera 101" and "Opera for Dummies."

Tickets for *Lucia Di Lammermoor* are available at \$20, \$25, and \$30 and may be purchased by calling the Hilton Head Orchestra box office at (843) 842-2055. Master Card and VISA are accepted. Tickets can also be purchased at the door the evening of the performances. For program notes and additional information go to [www.hhorchestra.com](http://www.hhorchestra.com).

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