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Opera Dinner at the Granada

by Kevin McGlynn

I've been singing for about 20 years at Saint Mary's Cathedral here in San Francisco and meeting world calibre artists who come to "the Florence of the U.S." - San Francisco, so to produce an "Opera Dinner at the Granada," wasn't as difficult as it might seem, thanks to my wonderful artists.

Pianist and coach, Galina Umanskaya, graduated with a Master of Music in Music Performance and Education from the State Conservatory, Russia. Galina moved to the United States in 2001 and has performed and coached with many opera companies in the Bay Area. Ms. Umanskaya began working with Golden Gate Opera in 2001. Operas that she has participated in include *Hansel and Gretel*, *I Pagliacci*, *The Telephone*, *Madama Butterfly*, and *Carmen*, as well as working with guest artists. Ms. Umanskaya has performed *Rigoletto*, *I Pagliacci*, *Cavalleria Rusticana*, *Lucia di Lammermoor*, *Tosca*, *Ariadne auf Naxos*, *Suor Angelica* and *Il Tabarro* in the United States.

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Mimi Ruiz is an experienced performer of contemporary music. Ms. Ruiz has been a featured soloist with the San Francisco Symphony, San Jose Cleveland Ballet, San Francisco Symphony Chorus, and San Francisco Concert Chorale. She has been a soloist in San Francisco Symphony's New and Unusual Music Series, Noontime Concerts, Old First Concerts, Star Classics' Concert Series, Chamber Music West and the San Francisco Conservatory of Music's Faculty Artist Series. She received both B.M. and M.M. Degrees at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. A cantor at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco and a member of Temple Emanu-el's choir in San Francisco. Ms. Ruiz also has taught singing for the University of California at Berkeley, Extension Division and was recently the interim director of the Boys and Girls' choir of St. Mary's Cathedral.

Nadja Matisoff, Mezzo soprano, has performed operatic roles with the Opera Piccolo of San Francisco and the Dublin-Pleasanton Opera Company. She has been a featured soloist with the Russian Chamber Orchestra of San Francisco, the SFSU Symphony, the Pacific Mozart Ensemble and many other local choral groups. She has been alto soloist and section leader of the Saint Mary's Cathedral Choir, S.F., for 19 years. Nadja spent 15 years as a professional chorister in the San Francisco Symphony and also 12 seasons in the professional auxiliary chorus of the S.F. Opera. She holds a Masters Degree, in vocal performance, from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, and a Bachelors Degree from the Peabody Conservatory.

Granada Opera Dinner Playbill

Via resti servita, *Le Nozze di Figaro*, Wolfgang A. Mozart

Barcarolle, *Les Contes d'Hoffman*, Jacques Offenbach

Habañera, *Carmen*, Georges Bizet

Quando me'n vo, *La Bohème*, Giacomo Puccini

Laudamus te, *Gloria*, Antonio Vivaldi

Dôme épais, *Lakmé*, Léo Delibes

We dined, we listened; two wondrous shows.
Comments: "I loved it" Barbara Ward,
"It was like going out on a Saturday night"
Evelyn Thomason, "I cried, twice" Hilary Atencio.
Next dinner, "There's Nothing like a Show on
Broadway, There's Nothing like a Broadway
Show" July 13th starring Steven Walsh with
Jeanette Tietze. Don't miss it!



Kevin McGlynn with performance artists: Soprano - Mimi Ruiz
Pianist - Galina Umanskaya and Mezzo-soprano - Nadja Matisoff



Kevin B. McGlynn, editor

A Granada
Welcome to

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Employees of the Month



Carmen and Juan Lama-Meono atop Twin Peaks, on a San Francisco Granada tour.

Carmen and Juan Lama-Meono come to us from way down south, Callas La Perta a coastal town west of Lima the capital city of Peru. The friendly and refined couple came to the Granada in June of 2005 and have been very busy ever since.



Callas La Perta close to Lima, the capitol city.

Juan is the assistant breakfast cook and Carmen works in the dining room but they share in the same attitude of cheery thoroughness and attention to details. "He's the best assistant cook I've had in 2 years," Senior cook Joe Lawson said, waving two fingers in the air. Carmen and Juan both study English as a second language (ELS) at City College of San Francisco, the Alemany Campus. Their interest are listening to music, watching videos and going to the library. In the near future Carmen and Juan plan to open up their own "all you can eat restaurant." when they return home to Peru. Carmen and Juan are happy to be at the Granada and enjoy beautiful San Francisco, especially on Granada tours where you'll find them serving rootbeer floats or some other delight to our Granada seniors. Congratulations and thanks for being examples of industrious and dependable work July employees of the month.

Happily married for 15 years, they have a family of four children: Karina (24 yrs.), Luis (23 yrs.), Hayro (15 yrs.) and Lucia (7 yrs.) back in Peru where Carmen was a desert cook and Juan was a company assistant administrator. Now



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Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner are organized as "open seating meals" where you may come and go as you please. During the seating hours you are not obligated to sit at assigned tables.



Arf! Arf!
Sounds like a small Dog

Remember, "How Much is that Doggie in the Window?" Two pet associations, Pets Unlimited and the SPCA,

bring "that doggie" to the Granada, collectively, every week. Yea "the one with the waggley tail," they all have and that's what makes them so much fun. The people that come to the Granada are all volunteers "in love" with what they do and it shows. Dashhounds, Begals, Collies, Burmese Sheepdogs and cats and you just never know. Thank You for coming to the Granada.





Gray Lines Tour Bus



San Francisco Sightseeing motorcoach for our last tour to Bay Meadows Race Course.

At the Granada, we take approximately two-1/2 day tours each month. The transportation that we use has to be first class and San Francisco Sightseeing with Gray Lines offers the premier sightseeing and motorcoach tours of San Francisco, the Bay Area and beyond since 1910. Our transportation needs are satisfied with late model luxury, air conditioned motorcoaches, mini busses and motorized cable cars with P/A systems and plenty of luggage space for those walkers. The quality of the professional drivers is very high and the respect that they exercise toward our Granada seniors is always enjoyable to witness. Jim Casey is the Irishman in charge of our charters at Gray Lines, he is a tried and trusted, long time associate of the Granada's who is always ready with tour suggestions. On Tuesday, July 11th we will be taking a motorized cable car (35 seats) and touring the Golden Gate Bridge, Palace of Fine Arts, Union Street in the Marina, Japantown, Chinatown, North Beach, Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco. *Ed.*

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Birthdays

RESIDENTS

July

- 1 Michael Frink
- 4 Bill West
- 6 Caroline Selogie
- 9 Carmen Concepcion
- 9 Robert Thompson
- 9 Susan Roberts
- 10 Ed Chorovsky
- 10 Michael Pierce
- 11 Glen Sharick
- 16 Dick Wallace
- 16 Gladys Mann
- 17 Mary Hubbard
- 19 William Oldham
- 19 Paul Vosper
- 20 Joseph Castro
- 21 Scott Ramsay
- 21 Alice Stone
- 23 Steve Herman
- 24 Michael Lee
- 25 Rufus Moore
- 25 Shirly Brown
- 27 Nancy Thomas
- 28 Michelle Petropoulos
- 28 Alan Grubb



EMPLOYEES

July

- 1 Edwin Manzanilla
- 14 David Smith
- 14 Joseph Aubrey
- 24 Cristina Orozco
- 26 Amira Ponte



Granada residents Marine veteran, Sargent Bill and Florence Waldrop upon the occasion of the 60th Anniversary of the Marines Club.



Tony's Newsletter Column

Notice the new paint on the front of the Granada? The kitchen upgrade continues very well, soon we will be installing new ovens and stoves.

4th of July Picnic in the Granada this year will include: ribs, potato salad, cold slaw and watermelon then we'll watch KRON-TV for the fireworks over the bay. The wide screen digital TV plus the surround sound should make viewing the fireworks celebration very real, in fact we'll start having some high definition (HDTV) shows, soon.

My mother will be here soon she, like everyone else in their turn, is making final adjustments before moving to San Francisco and the Granada.

"There's nothing like a Broadway show" should be alot of fun, that's July 13th our "Granada Dinner Theater," steaks okay? Are you ready for a trip to AT&T Ball Park for a afternoon game? Well Kevin, our tour director, tells me that we're going to a ballgame in August so sign up so we can see how many want to go. AT&T Park will greet the Granada Senior Residence with a big scoreboard welcoming message!! Look for it! Thanks.



July 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
* Birthday Person	Flowers: Larkspur, Water Lily		Birthstone: Ruby	Cancer: June 21 - July 22 Leo: July 23 - August 22		1 1:30 p.m. BINGO 6:00 p.m. MOVIE * Michael Frink	
2 2:15 p.m. ICE CREAM SOCIAL 7:00 p.m. 60 MINUTES	3 10:00 a.m. EXERCISE 6:00 p.m. MOVIE	4 4th July Picnic 7:00 p.m. BINGO * Bill West	5 1:00 p.m. Pets Unlimited 6:30 p.m. MOVIE	6 7:00 p.m. BINGO * Caroline Selogie	7 10:00 a.m. EXERCISE 4:00 p.m. HAPPY HOUR 6:30 p.m. MOVIE	8 1:30 p.m. BINGO 6:00 p.m. MOVIE	
9 10:00 a.m. <i>ASPCA Pets</i> 7:00 p.m. 60 MINUTES * Susan Roberts * Bob Thompson * Carmen Concepcion	10 10:00 a.m. EXERCISE 6:00 p.m. MOVIE * Michael Pierre * Ed Chirovsky	11 1:30 p.m. Granada Cable Car Tour 7:00 p.m. BINGO * Glen Sharick	12 12:30 p.m. <i>Noontime Concert</i> <i>at Saint Patrick's Church's</i> 6:30 p.m. MOVIE	13 9:15 a.m. MASS 10:00 Library on Wheels "Broadway" Dinner Party 7:00 p.m. BINGO	14 10:00 a.m. EXERCISE 4:00 p.m. HAPPY HOUR 6:30 p.m. MOVIE	15 1:30 p.m. BINGO 6:00 p.m. MOVIE	
16 2:15 p.m. ICE CREAM SOCIAL 7:00 p.m. 60 MINUTES * Gladys Mann * Dick Wallace	17 10:00 a.m. EXERCISE 6:00 p.m. MOVIE * Mary Hubbard	18 Birthday Party Dinner 7:00 p.m. BINGO	19 1:00 p.m. <i>Pets Unlimited</i> 6:30 p.m. MOVIE * Paul Vosper * William Oldham	20 7:00 p.m. BINGO * Joseph Castro	21 10:00 a.m. EXERCISE 4:00 p.m. HAPPY HOUR 6:30 p.m. MOVIE * Alice Stone * Scott Ramsey	22 1:30 p.m. BINGO 6:00 p.m. MOVIE	
23 10:00 a.m. <i>SF/SPCA Pets</i> 7:00 p.m. 60 MINUTES * Steve Herman	24 10:00 a.m. EXERCISE 6:00 p.m. MOVIE * Michael Lee	25 10:30 a.m. Granada Aquatic Park Luncheon 7:00 p.m. BINGO * Shirley Brown * Rufus Moore	26 12:30 p.m. <i>Noontime Concert</i> <i>at Saint Patrick's Church's</i> 6:30 p.m. MOVIE	27 9:30 a.m. MASS 7:00 p.m. BINGO * Nancy Thomas	28 10:00 a.m. EXERCISE 4:00 p.m. HAPPY HOUR 6:30 p.m. MOVIE * Michelle Petropoulos	29 1:30 p.m. BINGO 6:00 p.m. MOVIE	
30 2:15 p.m. ICE CREAM SOCIAL 7:00 p.m. 60 MINUTES	31 10:00 a.m. EXERCISE 6:00 p.m. MOVIE	<p><i>"There's nothing like a show on Broadway, there's nothing like a Broadway show."</i></p> <p><i>"There's nothing like a show on Broadway, there's nothing like a Broadway show."</i></p> <p>Dinner Party July 11th 4:45 pm</p>					

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