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**GIACOMO PUCCINI (1858–1924) LA FANCIULLA DEL WEST**  
*Opera in three acts*



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**KEY FEATURES**

- ▲ Staged by renowned Argentine director Hugo de Ana, who also designed the costumes and sets
- ▲ The production features an exceptional cast led by American soprano Emily Magee, the sole female performer, tenor Roberto Aronica and baritone Claudio Sgura
- ▲ The performance received critical acclaim under the musical direction of Juraj Valčuha, who recently received 'Best Conductor' award at Premio Abbiati 2018, the most prestigious annual prize of Italian music critics.
- ▲ Filmed in 4K and directed by experienced video director Tiziano Mancini
- ▲ Available in CD, DVD and Blu-ray formats
- ▲ Subtitles in Italian, English, French, German, Japanese and Korean



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**57816 (1 Blu-ray)**

Category: OPERA / Sung in: Italian  
Video Format/ Aspect ratio: NTSC – 16:9  
Audio Format: PCM STEREO 2.0 / DTS 5.1 HD Master Audio  
Subtitles: Italian, English, French, German, Japanese, Korean  
Region code: 0 – All regions  
Duration: 144 min.  
Notes: Italian, English  
Packaging: Blu-ray Box



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**CDS7816 (2 CDs)**

Category: OPERA / Sung in: Italian  
Audio Format: DDD  
Recording date & place: December 2017 – Teatro di San Carlo, Naples  
Italy Duration: 135 min.  
Notes: Italian, English  
Packaging: Jewel Box



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**37816 (1 DVD)**

Category: OPERA / Sung in: Italian  
Video Format/ Aspect ratio: NTSC – 16:9  
Audio Format: PCM 2.0 – Dolby digital 5.1  
Subtitles: Italian, English, French, German, Japanese, Korean  
Region code: 0 – All regions  
Duration: 144 min.  
Notes: Italian, English  
Packaging: Amaray Box



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Triumphantly premiered at New York's Metropolitan Opera on 10th December 1910, *La fanciulla del West* brought Puccini huge international success, even though the opera was never to attain the popularity of *La bohème*, *Madama Butterfly* and *Tosca*.

It was Puccini's first important attempt to free himself from the traditional patterns of operatic dramaturgy, making use of surprisingly modern musical language, as recent scholars have duly pointed out.

This recording documents the production staged at the Teatro San Carlo in Naples at the opening of the 2018 season, with Hugo de Ana as director and set designer, and Juraj Valčuha as conductor, both praised by audiences and critics alike.

### **Cast**

Minnie  
Dick Johnson  
Jack Rance  
Nick  
Ashby  
Sonora  
Sid  
Trin  
Bello  
Harry  
Joe  
Happy  
Larkens  
Billy Jackrabbit  
Wowkle  
Jake Wallace  
José Castro  
A postilion

**Emily Magee**  
**Roberto Aronica**  
**Claudio Sgura**  
**Bruno Lazzaretti**  
**John Paul Huckle**  
**Gianfranco Montresor**  
**Paolo Orecchia**  
**Antonello Ceron**  
**Tommaso Barea**  
**Orlando Polidoro**  
**Enrico Cossutta**  
**Ivan Marino**  
**Donato Di Gioia**  
**Enrico Marchesini**  
**Alessandra Visentin**  
**Carlo Checchi**  
**Francesco Musinu**  
**Armando Valentino**

**Libretto by**  
**Guelfo Civinini and**  
**Carlo Zangarini**  
from the drama *The girl of the Golden West* by David Belasco

**Conductor**  
**Juraj Valčuha**

**Orchestra and Chorus**  
Orchestra and Chorus of  
Teatro di San Carlo

**Chorus Master**  
**Marco Faelli**

**Director, Sets and**  
**Costumes Designer**  
Hugo de Ana

**Light Designer**  
Vinicio Cheli

**Theater**  
Teatro di San Carlo, Napoli

