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HOUSTON GRAND OPERA PRESENTS
LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR

PERFORMANCES JANUARY 28 – FEBRUARY 11, 2011

WHO: Houston Grand Opera (HGO)

WHAT: HGO continues its 2010/11 season with a new production of Donizetti's *Lucia di Lammermoor*, opening January 28, 2011 with performances through February 11.

The volatile religious and political conflicts of two ancient Scottish clans fuel the drama of Donizetti's *Lucia di Lammermoor*. Enrico Ashton (**Scott Hendricks**) forces his sister Lucia (**Albina Shagimuratova**) to marry a powerful man despite her love for Edgardo (**Dimitri Pittas**), the scion of the Ravenswood, whose lands the Ashtons have taken. Drama Desk and Tony Award-winning director **John Doyle** (*Sweeney Todd* – Broadway, 2006) and designer **Liz Ascroft** create intense drama amid the ever-shifting Scottish landscape in this new Houston Grand Opera production, while Italian conductor **Antonino Fogliani** makes his HGO debut.

A co-production with Opera Australia and Teatro La Fenice, Venice.

WHEN: Friday, January 28, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, January 30, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 5, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.
Friday, February 11, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Wortham Theater Center's Brown Theater, Texas Avenue at Smith Street, Houston, Texas.
713-228-6737

ARTISTS: Lucia **Albina Shagimuratova**, soprano
 Edgardo **Dimitri Pittas**, tenor (*HGO debut*)
 Enrico **Scott Hendricks**, baritone
 Raimondo **Matthew Rose**, bass
 Alisa **Rachel Willis-Sørensen**, soprano
 Normanno **Beau Gibson**, tenor
 Arturo **Nathaniel Peake**, tenor

Conductor **Antonino Fogliani** (HGO Debut)
 Director **John Doyle**
 Set/Costume Designer **Liz Ascroft**
 Lighting Designer **Michael Clark**
 HGO Chorus Master **Richard Bado**

Orchestra **Houston Grand Opera Orchestra**
 Chorus **Houston Grand Opera Chorus**

LANGUAGE: *Lucia di Lammermoor* will be sung in Italian with English surtitles

TICKETS: Single tickets for *Lucia di Lammermoor* are on sale now and start at \$24.
 For tickets and general information, go to www.houstrongrandopera.org/deadmanwalking
 or call 713-228-6737 or 1-(800)-626-7372

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