



ROYAL
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CAST AMENDMENT

IL TRITTICO (Giacomo Puccini)

25, 29 February; 3, 5, 8 and 15 March at 6.30pm

To her great disappointment, Austrian soprano **Martina Serafin** has been forced to withdraw from her role debut as Giorgetta in *Il tabarro* due to an injury suffered before Christmas. She has made good progress since the accident, but unfortunately she is still not adequately mobile to undertake this role for The Royal Opera. The role of Giorgetta will now be sung by American soprano **Patricia Racette**.

Patricia Racette made her Royal Opera debut in 1996 as Mimì (*La bohème*). She has previously sung the role of Giorgetta for Theater an der Wien, and will perform the role in Rome in April 2016. Her other recent engagements include Nedda (*Pagliacci*) for the Metropolitan Opera, New York, Katerina Ismailova (*Lady Macbeth of Mtsensk*) for English National Opera and Elle (*La Voix humaine*) for Chicago Opera Theater.

The rest of the cast remains unchanged, with Italian baritone **Lucio Gallo** as Michele, American tenor **Carl Tanner** as Luigi, Italian tenor **Carlo Bosi** as Tinca, British bass **Jeremy White** as Talpa, Korean tenor and Jette Parker Young Artist **David Junghoon Kim** as Ballad Seller, Russian mezzo-soprano **Irina Mishura** as Frugola, Australian soprano and Jette Parker Young Artist **Lauren Fagan** and Portuguese tenor **Luis Gomes** as the Lovers and Italian conductor **Nicola Luisotti**.

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