

Non Ti Lascio

«Ti lascio con la penna, non col cuore». Lettere di Eleonora Rinuccini al marito Neri dei principi Corsini. 1835-1858 Firenze University Press Puccini's the Girl of the Golden West Opera Classics Library Series/la Fanciulla Del West Opera Journeys Publishing

The power exercised by the mother on the son in Mediterranean cultures has been amply studied. Italy is a special case in the Modern Era and the phenomenon of Mammismo italiano is indeed well known. Scholars have traced this obsession with the mother figure to the Catholic cult of the Virgin Mary, but in fact, it is more ancient. What has not been adequately addressed however, is how Mammismo italiano has been manifested in complex ways in various modern artistic forms. Portrait of the Artist and His Mother in Twentieth-Century Italian Culture focuses on case studies of five prominent creative personalities, representing different, sometimes overlapping artistic genres (Luigi Pirandello, Pier Paolo Pasolini, Dino Buzzati, Carlo Levi, Federico Fellini). The author examines how the mother-son relationship not only affected, but actually shaped their work. Although the analysis uses mainly a psychological and psychoanalytical critical approach, the belief of the author, substantiated by historians, anthropologists and sociologists, is that historical and cultural conditions contributed to and reinforced the Italian character. This book concludes with an analysis of some examples of Italian film comedies, such as Fellini's and Monicelli's where mammismo/vitellonismo is treated with a lighter tone and a pointed self irony.

A comprehensive guide to Puccini's GIRL OF THE GOLDEN WEST, featuring insightful and in depth Commentary and Analysis, a complete, newly translated Libretto with

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Con la sua costante allegria, Polly, figlia del pastore di una piccola congregazione di campagna, arriva in città ospite della ricca famiglia dell'amica Fanny Shaw. E per gli Shaw la ragazzina è come un raggio di sole, che entra nella loro casa portando quel calore che per tanto tempo era mancato. A sei anni dalla prima visita, Polly, ormai una giovane donna, torna in città come insegnante di musica e riprende i contatti con Fanny. Grazie alla sua educazione e ai suoi profondi valori morali, sarà in grado di aiutare l'amica ad affrontare un grave rovescio economico, diventando per tutta la famiglia un importante punto di riferimento e, forse, anche qualcosa di più.

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