#### UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

### **USA OPERA THEATRE** THOMAS L. ROWELL, DIRECTOR

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# The Abduction from the Seraglio

#### An opera in three acts

Music by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart Music performed in German with English supertitles Dialogue in English

Belmonte, a Spanish nobleman	Myles Garver
Konstanze, his betrothed	Katherine Frazier
Blonde, English maidservant to Konstanze	Brianna Smith
Pedrillo, servant to Belmonte	Timothy Aguirre
Osmin, Overseer for the Pasha Selim	Graham Anduri #
Bassa Selim, the Pasha	Joshua Vaughn
Quartet of the Pasha's Household	Elizabeth Bemis, Gabriela Merz, Dawson Sellers, and Matt Selete

The opera takes place at the seraglio of Bassa Selim in Turkey. Intermission will take place between Acts II and III.

The Eighty-seventh, Eighty-eighth and Eighty-ninth Concerts of Academic Year 2014-2015

RECITAL HALL LAIDLAW PERFORMING ARTS CENTER Friday, April 24 and Saturday, April 25, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 26, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

#### **USA Opera Theatre Chorus**

Elizabeth Bemis Shanarrous Briggins-Pollard Cassidy Dangler Myler Dobbins Payton Brooke Fulford Gabriela Merz Sarah Pace TJ Rickey James Cleveland Rogers Matt Selete Dawson Sellers Colby Smith Conner Williams

#### University of South Alabama Opera Orchestra Robert J. Seebacher, conductor

#### Flute/Piccolo

Nicole Carrion \* Ivan Merriweather

#### Oboe

Kaitlyn Poiroux \* Todd Stehr

#### Clarinet

Alexys Bush \* Alyssa Weiskopf

#### Bassoon

Jake Cannon \* Charlie Young

#### Horn

Morgan Wilkins \* Dustin Miller

#### Trumpet

Shawn Wright \* Nathan Shadix

#### **Timpani/Percussion**

Ian Jones \* Luke Smith Soren Odom Jessica Foster

#### Violin I

Rebecca Mitchell, concertmaster Gosia Leska # Elizabeth French # Hannah Dunnam #

#### Violin II

Barbara Flechsenhar \*# Victoria Bishop Daven Ervin

#### Viola

Jim Lichtenberger \*#

#### Cello

Tobin Nelson \* Justin Way #

#### Bass

Rodik Newsome \* Lance Wilkerson

\* denotes principal# denotes guest artist

#### **Production Personnel**

Director	Thomas L. Rowell
Musical Director/Conductor	Robert J. Seebacher
Rehearsal Accompanist	Jasmin Arakawa
Stage Management	Joshua Vaughn and Dawson Sellers
Costumes	Adrian Vaughn
Wigs/Makeup	Adrian Vaughn
Set Design	Thomas L. Rowell
Set Construction	USA Opera Theatre Students
Supertitles	Jennifer Bemis

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#### Artist Profile: Graham Anduri



Husband, father, and baritone Dr. Graham Anduri is currently on the voice faculty at the University of Mobile and at William Carey University where he teaches private voice and directs the Missions of Mobile Chamber Choir. His performing career has led him to sing in Germany, Italy, South Korea, and Romania, as well as throughout the United States. As a soloist, he has performed lead roles in *Le nozze di Figaro, Don Giovanni, Die Zauberflöte, The Elixir of Love, La Cenerentola, The Rape of Lucretia, Susannah, Cavalleria Rusticana, Il Tabarro, Turandot, Madama Butterfly, Die Fledermaus, Werther, A Hand of Bridge, Little Red Riding Hood, L'Enfant et les sortilèges,* and *Falstaff,* as well as solos in oratorios and concert

works by Bach, Handel, Schubert, Brahms, Faure, and Orff. He also sang the baritone solo for the premiere performance of Mobile composer Louis Daniel's *Requiem*. In the realm of musical theater, he has performed the title role in *Phantom of the Opera* and leads in *Oklahoma, Brigadoon,* and *Kiss Me Kate*. Anduri holds a Doctor of Musical Arts Degree from The University of Southern Mississippi, a Master of Music Degree from University of Florida, and a Bachelor of Music Education Degree from Colorado State University. He relishes the opportunities that music brings for cultural interchange, and seeks to use the power of music to bring diverse groups of people together.