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**Program of Events**

**Boston Lyric Opera  
Opera Overture**

**Puccini's *Tosca*  
"The Real Scarpia"**

September 18, 1996  
Four Seasons Hotel

Boston

***Cocktails***

J.P. Barger, Chairman of the Board

Welcome

Lee Day Gillespie, President of the Board

Introduction

Billy Saetre, Tenor  
Stephen Steiner, Piano

Musical Selections

***Buffet Dinner***

Janice Mancini Del Sesto  
General Director

Remarks

Phyllis Curtin  
Artistic Director of Boston University's Opera Institute

Introduction

Deborah Burton,  
Author of "The Real Scarpia"

Lecture Presentation

Dr. Burton and Ms. Curtin

Questions and Answers

Stephen Lord

Closing Remarks