## John Gehl John Webber

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\begin{gathered}
\text { JACKTE, } \\
\text { MARILYN, } \\
\text { BOBBY, \& JACK } \\
\text { the opera }
\end{gathered}
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## CHARACTERS

CHARACTERS IN THE OPERA
FULL ROLES:
1 Jackie Kennedy, Soprano
2 Jack Kennedy, Tenor
3 Bobby Kennedy, Tenor
4 Marilyn Monroe, Soprano

SHORT ROLES (one scene or less):
5 Jackie's Aide Tenor
6 Military Man 1 Tenor
7 Military Man 2 Baritone
8 Military Man 3 Bass
9 Anatoly Dobrynin Bass
10 Richard Helms Baritone
11 J. Edgar Hoover Baritone
12 Lyndon Johnson Baritone
14 Dean Rusk Baritone
15 Maxwell Taylor Tenor
16 Gore Vidal Baritone
Chorus: Tenors, Baritones Basses (anyone not singing a solo part)

## SHORT ROLES:

Short multiple short roles may by performed by a single singer halving the number of performers needed, other combinations are possible:

1 Jackie's aide
Richard Helms baritone
2 Military Man 2 Vidal baritone
J.Edgar hoover baritone

3 Military Man 3
Dobrynin bass
EMT tech-2 bass
4 Roselli bari
Maxwell Taylor tenor
Military Man 1 tenor
5 Giancana bass
Dean rusk baritone
6 Lyndon Johnson bari
Robert McNamara bass
EMT tech-1 baritone

## SETTINGS

Act 1

Act 1 Scene 1 Number 1: Banquet
112: Jackie's Aria 1
113: The President
114: What's Going On?
121: Bobby \& Jack
122: Bobby \& theGenerals
123: Cosa Nostra 1
124: Cosa Nostra 2
1125: Jackie's Aria 2
131: Bobby \& Ambassador Dobrynin
132: Gore Vidal
133: Richard Helms
134: ExComm Group
135 Jackies soliloquy
Act 2
211: Jackie \& Hollywood
212: Madison Square Garden
213 After-party
214: Bobby \& Marilyn
215: You like to dance?
221: Jackie's soliloquy 2
222: Bobby and Marilyn at her home
223: Marilyn's aria
231: JFK and RFK in Washington
232: Jackie and an Aide
233: Jack, Bobby, Lyndon Johnson, \& J Edgar Hoover
234: Hospital in Dallas

# JACKIE, MARILYN, BOBBY, \&JACK THE OPERA 

John Gehl
a Tragicomedy in Two Acts
John Webber
Act One
Scene 1: The White House
$d=100$
no. 1 Mrs. Kennedy, your dress is divine
The doors open, JACKIE \& guests enter. Guests talking quietly, JACKIE is alone, surrounded deferentially by other attendees of the banquet
 mill around her and try to engage her,








Jac - kie all of us love you so much $\boldsymbol{m f}$


so much so much so much so much





spoken solo:
Is the President still upstairs, preparing to make a beautiful grand entrance?


spoken solo:
Where is the President now Jackie?
Do you know? Will he be joining us?








33
JBK






Whispered to audience:
It's our littleb


## Spoken to audience:

It's So secret that we've
never said a word about
it. Never.






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d=132 \quad \text { rall....................... } 113
$$

no. 3 The President's Speech

















JFK spoken:
Okay, that's enough seriousness for one evening. It's time now to chow down. Let's eat some of Cookie's good food, the best


JACKIE stands and sings as she drifts away from the group, as JACK engages in private conversations with a couple






> solo




## 52










But Jac - kie does - n't know a - bout the


Free World
Bs


The Free World





Don't let Jac - kie know.


rall.
77


## 121

tempo di Boogie-Woogie d= 120
no. 1 Bobby \& Jack




21

















RFK


Tempo di Conga $d=150$
no. 2 Bobby \& The Generals
Bobby \& three chorus soli













We failed the mo-thers who raised us.
Bs


We failed the mo-thers who raised us.

Pno.








Bs



$$
d \cdot=120
$$

no. 3 Bobby \& the Casa Nostra 1
Bobby \& three chorus soli








## 124








40




Rs
$51 \quad d=60$
RFK



Pno.





Sur - prise!



light up his life!

SG


Pno.



He likes to smoke?
$\boldsymbol{p p}$
SG


He likes to smoke?


Give him a smoke that will be his last



Give him one that's filled with tox - ins Stay a - round just to watch him


Give him one that's filled with tox - ins Stay a - round just to watch him



Give him a whack that will be his last


Give him a whack that will be his last











125










131
$d=110$
no. 1 Bobby \& the Ambassador



13
AD 1


16
AD 1








RFK


From Lu - cerne?


AD 1

Pno.

-ral,





## 80




[^0]AD 1













132
$d=84$
no. 2 Gore Vidal
JACKIE is approached by the writer GORE VIDAL, who puts his rather inebriated arm on her shoulder, to steady himself. Offended by this action, BOBBY
1 ostentatiously removes the writer's hand.



4


I have always
thought that
you were a
goddamned Don't you ever
impertinent do anything
son of a bitch. like that again


170


What did you say? So is your mo-ther!



tempo di Conga $d=150$
no. 3 Bobby \& Helms
CIA DIRECTOR RICHARD HELMS
takes BOBBY aside.






134



The 82nd Airborne is in place to invade Cuba.
We're wasting time. We need to go in and
take out those missiles.



DEAN RUSK
I'd recommend caution.
Call me a dove. I'd opt
for quarantining the island.


GENERAL TAYLOR
We need to go in right
now, and not waste
another minute!





135

- = 132












## act 2

211







rall...............................
MARILYN, sewn sewn into her gown, shimmies to microphone








JFK
16


Pno.

17
JFK






221













## BOBBY

I'm the Attorney
General, you know.





rall.






222





sings as they continue dancing










rall...
Don't tell anyone.
Let that be our secret.
















$280$


They finish the dance




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260
$$

## JBK



accel...................................................................................


$d=200$
no. 4 Marilyn, you are a marvelous lover.












RFK






239













Pno.




231
















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\text { tempo di Conga } d=150
$$

no. 3 Jack, Bobby, Lyndon Johnson, J. Edgar Hoover








81


83
AB 2


85
AB 2












234

















To wash off the blood?

EMT




Let the blood re - main



[^0]:    90

