



## BCA OPERA LECTURE PRESENTS

### BIZET'S *THE PEARL FISHERS*

An opera lecture series sponsored by the Bedford Center for the Arts will resume on January 4th, with Bizet's *The Pearl Fishers*. David Collins, well-known in opera circles in the greater Boston area, will continue the BCA's fourth year of providing opera lovers' warm-ups for upcoming performances of the Metropolitan opera that are simulcast in local theaters.

*The Pearl Fishers* (*Les pêcheurs de perles*) will be shown in theaters on January 16. This opera is a story about two men in a love triangle with a priestess who must struggle with her own conflict between her religious oaths and secular love. The opera is full of wonderful music including the famous duet of friendship between the two suitors (tenor and baritone).

One other lecture will be presented on April 11, when Donizetti's *Roberto Devereux* will be the topic of the lecture.

Lectures are held in the Bacon Room overlooking the town green in First Parish. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Individuals wishing to attend can send a check made payable to the Bedford Center for the Arts, to Bob Bass, 42 Fletcher Road, Bedford, MA 01730. The cost is \$15/individual for BCA members, \$20 for others. Individuals may also join the BCA or renew membership to BCA for \$25 at the same time and pay members' price for the lectures. Online registration is available at <http://bedfordarts.wildapricot.org> .