Carlos Gardel (born Charles Romuald Gardes; 11 December 1890 – 24 June 1935) was a French-Argentine singer, songwriter, composer and actor, and the most prominent figure in the history of tango. Gardel's baritone voice and the dramatic phrasing of his lyrics made miniature masterpieces of his hundreds of three-minute tango recordings. Together with lyricist and long-time collaborator Alfredo Le Pera, Gardel wrote several classic tangos.

Gardel died in an airplane crash at the height of his career, becoming an archetypal tragic hero mourned throughout Latin America. For many, Gardel embodies the soul of the tango style. He is commonly referred to as "Carlitos", "El Zorzal" (The [Song] Thrush), "The King of Tango", "El Mago" (The Wizard), "El Morocho del Abasto" (The Brunette boy from Abasto), and ironically "El Mudo" (The Mute).

PART I

GARDEL DELINCUENTE – Delinquent Gardel

MISTERIOSO PASADO – Mysterious Past
Composer: Fernando Marzan

AMORES DE ESTUDIANTE – Loves of a Student
Composer: Gardel-Le Pera/Mario Batistella
Romantic waltz, Gardel is a young teen.

ZORRO GRIS – Grey Fox
Composer: Rafael Tuegols/F.García Giménez
One couple dances.

ORCHESTRA SOLO

GARDEL Y SUS PASIONES - Gardel and his passions

FUTBOL - Soccer

A LA CANCHA – At the Arena
Composer: Fernando Marzan
The dancers enter the stage as if entering a futbol stadium.
Orchestral percussion mimics shouts and applause of the fans.

LA LUCIÉRNAGA – The Firefly
Milonga -Composer: José Dames

RACING CLUB
Composer: Vicente Greco
BOXEO Y TURF – Boxing and Turf

MARCHA DEPORTIVA – Sports Gear
Composer: Fernando Marzan
Gardel watches one of his friends boxing.

POR UNA CABEZA – By a Head
Composer: Gardel-Le Pera
Group dance – in the style of American tango.

TIERRA QUERIDA – Land Wanted
Composer: Julio de Caro
One couple dances.

GAUCHO – Cowboy

MILONGA TRISTE – Sad Milonga
Composer: HOMERO MANZI
Gardel, in Cowboy attire, is at a Milonga, a place where tango is traditionally danced. He prepares for the boleadoras.

BOLEADORAS

ORCHESTRA SOLO

SOL TROPICAL – Tropical Sun
Composer: Terig Tucci-Le pera
Rumba, full Company, very colorful and rhythmic.

-INTERMISSION-

PART II

GARDEL IN PARIS

MIMÍ PINZÓN
Composer: Aquiles Roggero/José Rótulo
Elegant Parisian cabaret.

EL DIA QUE ME QUIERAS – The Day That I Want
Composer: Gardel-Le Pera
One couple dances. Romantic scene with minimal accompaniment.

EL MARNE – The Marne
Composer: Eduardo Arolas
Four couples dance.

LA CUMPARSITA
Composer: G. Matos Rodriguez
One couple dances.
GARDEL ON BROADWAY

RUBIAS DE NEW YORK – Blondes in New York
Composer: Fox trot - Gardel/Le Pera
Gardel and four blondes.

IDOLOS – Idols
Arrangement that includes fragments of the Candilejas-Limelight.

BALADA PARA UN LOCO – Ballad for a madman
Composer: Astor Piazzolla
Gardel meets Piazzolla.

TANGO DE GARDEL – Tango of Gardel
Arranged by Astor Piazzolla
Full Company. Astor Piazzolla receives inspiration from Carlos Gardel.

ORCHESTRA SOLO

PIAZZOLLA

LIBERTANGO
Composer: Astor Piazzolla
One couple dances.

DÚO DE AMOR – Duet of Love
Composer: Astor Piazzolla
One couple dances.

LA MUERTE DEL ANGEL - The death of an angel
Composer: Astor Piazzolla
Gardel dies tragically in a plane crash in Medellin, Colombia.

FINALE
Full Company