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Requiem

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

AUSTRALIAN PREMIERE

28 Feb - 4 Mar 2020 **FESTIVAL THEATRE,** ADELAIDE FESTIVAL CENTRE

Performed in Latin and German with English surtitles Duration 1hr 30mins, no interval

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CAST AND PRODUCTION

Soprano

Siobhan Stagg

Alto

Sara Mingardo

Tenor

Martin Mitterrutzner

Bass

David Greco

Treble

Luca Shin

Older woman

Chrissie Page

Young woman

Jacinta Hriskin

Little girl

Mietta Brookman

Older men

Tim Edhouse

laon Gunn Brian Godfry

Young man

Chris Gun

Mother/Child

Lisa & Piper Watts (28 Feb, 3 Mar) Alyssa & Alby McMahon (1, 4 Mar)

Dancers

Tess Appleby

Madeline Bulmer

Zoë Dunwoodie*

Harrison Elliot*

Tiphenie Evans

Simone Gatti

Tiarna Linke

Christopher Mills*

Gabrielle Nankivell*

Darci O'Rourke*

Rowan Rossi*

Lachlan Walmsely

Kimball Wong*

*Australian Dance Theatre

Conductor

Rory Macdonald

Stage Director and Set,

Costume and Lighting

Designer

Romeo Castellucci

Associate Director and Costume Designer

Silvia Costa

Revival Director

Josie Daxter

Dramaturg

Piersandra di Matteo

Choreographer

Evelin Facchini

Choreography Assistant

and Dancer

Simone Gatti

Choreography Assistant

and Dancer Tess Appleby

Associate Lighting Designer

Marco Giusti

Costume Design Assistant

Elisabeth de Sauverzac

Repetiteur

Michael lerace

Cover treble

Dashell Eck

Score

Edition Bärenreiter and

Pygmalion

Surtitles

Catriona Herriott

Producer

Mary Vallentine

Program Manager

Tess Appleby

Production Manager

David Mclean

Stage Manager

Bridget Samuel

Deputy Stage Manager

Jess Nash

Assistant Stage Manager

Ashley Ng

AC Arts Secondment

Theo Speck

Head of Wardrobe

Judith Branford

Fittings, Alterations and

Maintenance

Bronwen Major

Denise Strawhan

Maintenance

Sue Nicola

Dressers Sally Chapman, Lee Trowbridge, Anna Perry, Jennifer Heuch, Nadejda Levings, David Adams, Kent Green, Nick de-Rohan, Chris Rektsinis, Wendy

Todd

Head of Wigs and Make Up

Jana Davies

Wigs and Make Up Sue Taylor, Natasha Stone, Dina Giaccio,

Jennifer Rossiter, Bonnie Charles, Cheryl La Scala,

Beverly Freeman

Head Props

Mark Fisher

Audio visual footage

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ADELAIDE FESTIVAL CHORUS

includes members of Adelaide Chamber Singers and State Opera Chorus Chorus Master and Associate Conductor Brett Weymark

Sopranos

Lisa Cannizzaro
Victoria Coxhill
Amelia Holds
Sarah Knight
Katrina Mackenzie
Danielle Ruggiero
Lucy Stoddart
Imogen Tonkin
Brooke Window

Altos

Rachel Bruerville
Catherine Campbell
Riana Chakravarti
Lily Coats
Hamish Gould
(counter tenor)
Rosanne Hosking
Charlotte Kelso
Vanessa Lee Shirley
Lynne Smythe

Tenors

Matthew Byrne Thomas Hallworth James Nicholson Mark Oates Brock Roberts Kit Tonkin Andrew Turner Kim Worley

Basses

Andrew Bettison Nicholas Cannon Benoît Deney Christian Evans Daniel Goodburn Macintyre Howie-Reeves Greg John Jamie Moffatt Alex Roose

ADELAIDE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Violins

Natsuko Yoshimoto** (Concertmaster) Cameron Hill** (Associate Concertmaster) Shirin Lim* (Principal 1st Violin) Lachlan Bramble** (Acting Principal 2nd Violin) Julia Brittain~ (Acting Associate Principal 2nd Violin) Janet Anderson Hilary Bruer Elizabeth Collins Judith Coombe Danielle Jaquillard Alexis Milton Michael Milton Jennifer Newman Julie Newman

Alexander Permezel Kemeri Spurr

Violas

Steven Wright**
(Guest Principal)
Justin Julian~
Anna Hansen
Rosi McGowran
Carolyn Mooz
Michael Robertson
Cecily Satchell

Cellos

Simon Cobcroft** Gemma Phillips~ (Acting Associate) Sherrilyn Handley David Sharp

Double Basses

Jonathon Coco** (Acting Principal) Belinda Kendall-Smith~ (Acting Associate) Harley Gray

Oboes

Joshua Oates** Renae Stavely

Clarinets

Mitchell Berick** (Acting Principal) Darren Skelton

Basset Horns

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Bassons

Mark Gaydon** Leah Stephenson

Contra Bassoon Jackie Newcomb*

Horns

Sarah Barrett** (Acting Principal) Emma Gregan

Trumpets

David Khafagi** (Guest Principal) Martin Phillipson~

Alto Trombone Colin Prichard**

Tenor Trombone lan Denbigh

Bass Trombone

Howard Parkinson* **Timpani**

Andrew Penrose*

Organ

Peter Kelsall* (Guest Principal)

- ** denotes Section Principal
- ~ denotes Associate Principal
- * denotes Principal Player



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PROGRAMME

Plainchant: Christus factus est (anon)

Meistermusik, K.477b

Miserere mei, K.90

Requiem in D minor, K.626

- I. Introitus
- II. Kyrie

Ne pulvis et cinis, K.122

Requiem

III. Sequence

- 1. Dies irae
- 2. Tuba mirum
- 3. Rex tremendae

Solfeggio in F major, K.393/2 (arr Vincent Manac'h)

Requiem

III. Sequence

- 4. Recordare
- 5. Confutatis
- 6. Lacrimosa

Amen (appendix)

IV. Offertory

1. Domine Jesu Christe

Quis te comprehendat, K.110

Requiem

IV. Offertory

2. Hostias

V. Sanctus

VI. Benedictus

O Gottes Lamm, K.343/1

(arr Vincent Manac'h)

Requiem

VII. Agnus dei

VIII. Communion

Miserere mei, K.90 (reprise)

Plainchant: Antienne - In paradisum (anon)

ORIGINS

1791 was a busy year for Mozart, who within a few months composed several concertos, string quintets and two operas: *The Clemency of Titus* and *The Magic Flute*. Although the latter enjoyed huge popular success, Mozart's financial situation was dire. He was no longer in fashion at the court of the new emperor Leopold II, who sidelined him because of his affiliation with Freemasonry. Mozart desperately needed money and in July 1791 accepted a commission for a Requiem from an anonymous intermediary on behalf of Franz von Walsegg. The overextended Mozart would never complete the work.

SCORE

In order to receive the final payment for the commission, Mozart's wife Constanze asked Franz Xaver Süssmayr, a student of her late husband, to complete the score. It seems he was given specific instructions by Mozart on his deathbed.

Though not solely composed by Mozart, the final work is considered one of the absolute masterpieces of Western music. It features a choir in the main role, and four soloists performing mainly as a vocal ensemble. Mozart opted for an orchestration that is at once grave and solemn yet highly expressive, transcending the text of the Catholic funeral liturgy.

PERFORMANCE

The Requiem belongs to the genre of sacred music. But as with Mozart's entire body of work, it is suffused with theatricality, a dimension that did not escape conductor Raphaël Pichon and director Romeo Castellucci. Working closely together, they created an entirely new concept for the presentation of Mozart's Requiem. It is based on a musical corpus of sacred and secular works chosen by Raphaël Pichon which are inserted between the various movements of the Requiem to magnify it and underscore its origins. In contrast to the musical dramaturgy, Romeo Castellucci has developed a simple yet powerful stage concept that makes this mass for the dead not only a reflection on the finite, but also a celebration of life.

