

TRINITY LABAN

Autumn Opera Scenes

Rescue *Operations*

Friday 25 October 2024

Blackheath Halls

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Oberon | Carl Maria von Weber

Fidelio | Ludwig van Beethoven

La liberazione di Ruggiero dall'isola d'Alcina | Francesca Caccini

L'Italiana in Algeri | Gioachino Rossini

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Oberon | Carl Maria von Weber

A princess and her attendant sail to safety, having been gallantly rescued by a knight and his companion. However, even the best-laid plans can go pear-shaped!

Cast

Rezia

Ffion Frazher

Fatima

Grace Wallace

Huon

Stephen Walker

Scherasmin

David Balica



Fidelio | Ludwig van Beethoven

Leonore, disguised as a young man calling himself Fidelio, has managed to get a job in the prison where her husband Florestan is secretly imprisoned for his political beliefs. The head of the prison, Rocco, has a daughter, Marzeline, who has fallen in love with the new guard. Her admirer, Jacquino, is furious with all of them, feeling betrayed by Marzeline's infatuation with Fidelio.

Cast

Leonora

Alisa Mansurova

Marzeline

Haria An

Jacquino

Chenxi Zhu

Rocco

Simon Willshire



La liberazione di Ruggiero dall'isola d'Alcina | Francesca Caccini

Ruggiero has fallen under the spell of Alcina and has been living a life of careless and dissolute pleasure in her castle. Melissa (in this version, his elder sister) arrives in male disguise in order to extricate Ruggiero from his captivity. She discovers that there are several others who have also fallen into the same trap. Alcina arrives and is devastated to discover that Ruggiero is defying her and leaving the island. Her friend tries to console her, but she is nevertheless furious.

Cast

Ruggiero	Xiangrui Liu
Melissa	Ruth Peel
Alcina	Ilona Nastase
Damigella	Caterina Traverso
Piante	Qifeng Ge
Un Altro Piante 1	Songxu Li
Un Altro Piante 2	Jingjie Wang
Una Delle Piante Incantante	Ana Laura Camacho Vaz

L'Italiana in Algeri | Gioachino Rossini

Lindoro has somehow become entrenched in the sleazy world of his boss Mustafa. His fiancée, Isabella, has arrived to try and extricate him from it. She has caught Mustafa's eye and he decides he wants to pass his wife Elvira onto Lindoro so that he has free access to Isabella. Lindoro doesn't immediately realise that Isabella is trying to lay a trap and is devastated to think that she is returning Mustafa's affections.

Elvira is equally devastated about being abandoned. Isabella's pal Taddeo (who had hoped the plan wouldn't work and he would therefore get together with Isabella himself) is completely bamboozled. Mustafa, who is used to always getting his own way is driven to distraction by Isabella's dismissive treatment of him, and his other two employees Ali and Zulma are astonished to see him reduced to putty in her hands.

Cast

Elvira	Minglu Gao
Isabella	Yiyue Zhu
Zulma	Naomi Lidiard
Lindoro	Harry Reddish
Taddeo	Daniel Chomiak
Ali	Rory Mulchrone
Mustafa	Simon Willshire