

### Great German Opera Houses Berlin, Dresden, Munich May 9 - 23, 2016

We return to Berlin and Munich for the first time in almost a decade, at a time when together they provide a rich variety of performances to choose from, several of which could justly be called "star-studded." In between, we will spend **three days in Dresden** during that city's spring festival, and take a brief break from all that music with a visit to one of Europe's most fabled spas that was a favorite hangout of most of the composers represented on our program: Carlsbad – or **Karlovy Vary** as it is known today.

Musical offerings run the gamut from Mozart to Prokofiev and include both familiar and rarely heard masterpieces from the Italian, German, French, and Czech repertoire. Among the singers: Angela Denoke, Placido Domingo, Ferruccio Furlanetto, Edita Gruberova, Hui He, Jonas Kaufmann, Wolfgang Koch, and Fabio Sartori. The biggest podium stars are Daniel Barenboim, Simone Young, and Kirill Petrenko. With so many possibilities, we have decided to include six performances in the cost of the tour, two in each city. In addition to the eleven (count 'em!) operas on the list, there are two ballets: Tchaikovsky's *Sleeping Beauty* and Prokofiev's *Romeo and Juliet*, the latter in John Cranko's legendary choreography, plus recitals by Leonidas Kavakos and Pierre Laurent-Aimard, a program of chamber music performed in Dresden's Semperoper by members of the Staatskapelle Dresden, an 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary performance by the Dresden Kreuzchor, and other offerings of the Dresden Festival.

We are suggesting a basic program of three famous operas that it is very likely you have never seen onstage but will be glad you got the chance to: Karl Maria von Weber's seminal work of Romantic German opera, *Der Freischütz*; Leos Janacek's *Makropulos Affair*, a late romantic era psychological/symbolist story of a 300-year-old opera star who wants nothing quite so much as to be allowed to die; and *Mathis der Maler*, Paul Hindemith's very personal 1938 declaration of the artist's responsibility to stand up against the forces of repression. You can then choose three additional performances to fill out your schedule of six included events, adding as many more at extra cost as you can find the time and budget for. Of course, if you really would prefer to exchange one (or more) of our suggestions for something else more to your taste, we certainly won't mind!

The tour starts in Berlin, where we spend five nights, giving you four full days to seek out the artistic treasures that interest you most. We will provide a curator-guided visit of the **Pergamon Museum** plus two bus/walking tours: a rare opportunity to view today's controversial architecture of the new German government buildings and the recently resurrected Potsdammer Platz through the prism of two earlier approaches to monumental city planning – one from 4,000 years ago and the other from Berlin's own Nazi past.

Dresden and Munich will each get three nights and there will be walking tours in both; we will also provide a visit to the historic "Green Vault" recently reconstructed in all its Baroque splendor with the treasures of the Saxon Kings back in their proper setting. Between Dresden and Karlovy Vary we stop in the village of Frauenstein tovisit the Gottfried Silberman Museum, named for the court organ builder to the Elector of Saxony and King of Poland. We continue to Freiberg where the Kapelmeister will provide a demonstration of Bach's favorite Silbermann organ, located in the city's cathedral, one of the finest late Gothic buildings in Germany. Then it is on to Karlovy Vary (Carlsbad) for two nights at a delightful, family operated, traditional spa-hotel right in the heart of the town. We'll provide a brief orientation walk but basically a full day there will be yours to relax. On the way from Karlovy Vary to Munich, we will stop for a tour of the original capital of Bavaria, Regensburg.

To reserve space on the tour and select the performances you wish to include, print and complete the forms below (pp 4, 8 & 9). Your reservation will be confirmed when we receive your completed forms and deposit. We can guarantee you excellent seats for all the suggested performances and most others listed. In cases where availability is limited, orders will be honored in the order in which reservations are confirmed

#### THE PERFORMANCES

### May 11: Verdi's Simon Boccanegra at the Staatsoper Berlin

Conductor – Daniel Barenboim

Simon – Plácido Domingo

Maria – Krassimira Strovanova

Fiesco – Ferruccio Furlanetto

(if you choose this as an included opera for Berlin, there will be a \$150 supplement, since ticket prices are more than triple those of any other Berlin offering)

### May 11: Haas's Morgen und Abend at the Deutsche Oper Berlin

A musical theater piece based on the Jon Fosse novel, it is a story of life and death, at once sad and hopeful, telling of Johannes' birth and of a day of leave-taking, when Peter came to go out fishing with Johannes. "You've had to stop clinging to life, we've had to do something" – before they cross over to where "words and bodies, you and I, have ceased to exist" but where "everything you love lives on."

### May 12: Bellini's Norma in a concert performance at the Deutsche Oper Berlin

Conductor – Peter Valentovic

Norma – Edita Gruberová (reprising her debut role)

Adalgisa – Sonia Ganassi

Pollione – Fabio Sartori

### May 13: Mozart's *Magic Flute* at the Komische Oper Berlin

### May 14: Mozart's Don Giovanni at the Komische Oper Berlin

Although casts are essentially young, unknown singers, the Komische Oper is highly respected not only for first-rate musical performances, but for productions and direction that is considered the most interesting and compelling in Berlin.

### May 13: Prokofiev's ballet, Romeo and Juliette at the Deutsche Oper Berlin

John Cranko's acclaimed production and choreography is featured

### May 14: Weber's Der Freischütz at the Staatsoper Berlin

Conductor – Alexander Soddy

Director – Michael Thalheimer

Max – Andreas Schager

Agathe – Dorothea Röschmann

Kuno – Victor von Halem

Samiel – Peter Moltzen

Ännchen – Evelin Novak

Ottokar – Alfredo Daza

Kaspar – Tobias Schabel

### May 14: Puccini's *Tosca* at the Deutsche Oper Berlin

Conductor – Stefano Ranzani

Director – Boleslaw Barlog

Tosca – Hui He

Cavaradossi – Fabio Sartori

Scarpia – Lucio Gallo

May 15: Concert TBA, presented by the Dresden Festival at the Semperoper

### May 15: Pianist Pierre-Laurent Aimard presented by the Dresden Festival at the Grand Palace

### PACKAGE PRICES per person, sharing a double

Full 13-day tour: \$4,775

Single supplement: \$900

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### **Prices include**

### Accommodation in these select four-star hotels

Five nights in Berlin *Leonardo Hotel Berlin Mitte* 

Three nights in Dresden Steigenberger Hotel de Saxe

Two nights in Karlovy Vary *Hotel/Spa Promenada* 

Three nights in Munich *Hotel Platzl* 

Breakfast each day

Lunch or dinner most days (drinks included)

Airport transfers on arrival and departure

Ground transport by private coach

Tours with expert guides as described above

Six included performances

May 15 (3:00 PM): Dresden Kreuzchor of men and boys, celebrating its 800th anniversary in 2016, sings a concert at Pillnitz Castle as part of the Dresden Festival

### May 15 (7:00 PM): Hindemith's *Mathis der Maler* at the Semperoper Dresden

Conductor – Simone Young

Director – Jochen Biganzoli

Mathis – Markus Marquardt

Regina – Emily Dorn

Albrecht – John Daszak

**May 16: Concert TBA,** presented by the Dresden Festival at the Semperoper

May 16: Tchaikovsky's ballet, Sleeping Beauty at the Semperoper

May 16 and 17: Violinist Leonidas Kavakos plays Beethoven at the Grand Palace

May 17: A chamber music evening at the Semperoper Dresden, featuring musicians of the Staatskapelle Dresden; program TBA

May 20: Bizet's *Carmen* at the Bavarian State Opera (Munich)

Conductor – Dan Ettinger

Production – Lina Wertmüller

Carmen – Elisabeth Kulman

Don José – Brandon Jovanovich

Micaëla – Golda Schultz

Escamillo – Ildebrando d'Arcangelo

### May 21: Janácek's Makropulos Affair at the Bavarian State Opera

Conductor – Tomáš Hanus

Director – Árpád Schilling

Emilia Marty – Angela Denoke

Albert Gregor – Pavel Černoch

Vítek \_ Kevin Conners

Krista – Tara Erraught

Prus – John Lundgren

Janek – Dean Power

Dr. Kolenatý – Gustav Beláček

# May 22: Wagner's *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg* at the Bavarian State Opera (limited tickets available – requests honored based on the order in which tour reservations are received)

Conductor – Kirill Petrenko

Director – David Bösch

Hans Sachs – Wolfgang Koch

Walter von Stolzing – Jonas Kaufmann

Pogner – Kristof Fieschesser

Beckmesser – Johannes Martin Kränzle

Eva – Sara Jakubiak

David – Benjamin Bruns



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## Please send your deposit and this form right away; participation is limited to 22. Payment in full is due by January 10, 2016.

Price per person
13-day Germany Program

Sharing a double \$4,775.00

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### PERFORMANCE CHOICES Part 1 – Included performances

The price of the tour includes tickets for six (6) performances. We guarantee first category seats for the events marked with \* in the list below; in other cases, we will provide the best available seats, which in most cases will be first category as well. <u>Exactly 6 boxes should be checked</u> when you finish with this page. You'll have the opportunity to select more, at extra expense, on the second page.

Three operas, Weber's *Freischütz*, Hindemith's *Mathis der Maler*, and Janacek's *The Makropulos Affair* (highlighted in the list) are pre-checked as our "suggested" performances. Dean will lead a discussion of each, since none is frequently performed or widely known. However, you are not required to accept our suggestions – if you wish to eliminate one or more of them from your list of included performances, selecting others instead, simply draw a line through the one(s) you wish to exclude. Be careful not to choose two performances on the same date, except in the case of May 15 where one is in the afternoon, the other in the evening.

Because of the exceptionally high prices for Verdi's *Simon Boccanegra*, we must require a **supplement of \$150 per person** if you choose it as one of your included performances; we can accommodate anyone on the tour who wishes to attend.

Check six (6) from this list; you may line out any of the 3 pre-checked operas if you wish.

☐ May 11: Verdi's Simon Boccanegra* at the Staatsoper Berlin (note: \$150 surcharge required)
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☐ May 15: Pianist Pierre Laurent-Aimard at the Grand Palace, Dresden
☐ May 15 (3:00 PM): Dresden Kreuzchor of men and boys
May 15 (7:00 PM): Hindemith's <i>Mathis der Maler*</i> at the Semperoper Dresden
☐ May 16: Tchaikovsky's ballet, Sleeping Beauty at the Semperoper
☐ May 16: Violinist Leonidas Kavakos plays Beethoven Sonatas #1 at the Grand Palace
☐ May 17: Violinist Leonidas Kavakos plays Beethoven Sonatas #2 at the Grand Palace
☐ May 17: Staatskapelle Dresden musicians play chamber music* at the Semperoper
☐ May 20: Bizet's Carmen* at the Bavarian State Opera (Munich)
May 21: Janácek's <i>Makropulos Affair</i> * at the Bayarian State Opera

### Part 2 - Optional performances (additional cost)

With so many available performances, we want to assist you in getting tickets for those you wish to attend. Please indicate which you would like to see (be sure not to duplicate anything you checked earlier as an included performance) by writing the number tickets desired to the left of the date and then checking your preferred price category in the appropriate box below the event listing.

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Ma	y 17: Violin □ \$55	ist Leonida ☐ \$45	as Kavakos	plays Beet	hoven Sonat	as #2 at the C	Grand Palace	;
Ma	y 17: Staats ☐ \$15	skapelle Dr	esden musi	cians play	chamber mu	sic at the Se	mperoper	
Ma	y <b>20: Bizet'</b> ☐ \$160	<b>s <i>Carmen</i></b> a □ \$138	at the Bavari  ☐ \$115	an State Op	era (Munich)	) □ \$36		
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<sup>\*</sup> For \$0 Trip Cost, there is no Trip Cancellation benefit and Trip Interruption reimbursement is limited to \$500 return air only

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