

SOFIA OPERA WAGNER FESTIVAL

8 - 30 JULY 2023



**To the kind attention of Dr. Jean-Paul Mullier,
President of Cercle belge francophone Richard Wagner**

Dear Dr. Mullier,

On behalf of Prof. Plamen Kartaloff, general manager of the Sofia Opera, I would like to kindly inform and invite you to one of the most significant events in the current 2022/2023 season.

To honour the 210th anniversary of the birth of Richard Wagner and the 140th anniversary of his death, the Sofia Opera and Ballet is dedicating 7 titles from his illustrious work at the **Sofia Opera Wagner Festival**.

From 8th until 30th July 2023, admirers of the works of Wagner will have the opportunity and pleasure to be our dear guests in our capital city Sofia, Bulgaria and of the works of the great German composer.

We kindly invite you to make your choice from our Festival programme, according to your convenience and interest:

DER RING DES NIBELUNGEN

New Production

Das Rheingold – 08.07.2023 at 18:00

Die Walküre – 09.07.2023 at 18:00

Siegfried – 11.07.2023 at 18:00

Götterdämmerung – 13.07.2023 at 18:00

Tristan und Isolde – 23.07.2023 at 18:00

Parsifal – 25.07.2023 at 18:00

Der fliegende Holländer – 29, 30.07.2023 at 20:00 (Open air stage)

All roles are performed by Bulgarian artists.

The conductors are Constantin Trinks (*Der Ring des Nibelungen*, *Tristan und Isolde*, *Parsifal*) and Rossen Gergov (*Der fliegende Holländer*), the director is Plamen Kartaloff and the set designers are Hans Kudlich (*Der Ring des Nibelungen*), Miodrag Tabacki (*Tristan und Isolde*), Sven Jonke (*Parsifal*) and Plamen Kartaloff, inspired by Barbara Hepworth (*Der fliegende Holländer*).

For some background information, in 2015 the Sofia Opera performed the first production of *Der Ring des Nibelungen* in the Bavarian town Füssen, Germany and in 2018 on the historic stage of the Bolshoi Theatre, Moscow, Russia. *Tristan und Isolde* was performed in 2015 at the Ljubljana Festival.

Tickets are on sale and available on the Sofia Opera and Ballet website: **www.operasofia.bg**;

For ticket requests please email: wagner.abo@operasofia.bg, sales@operasofia.bg or contact the box office: +35928006272.

It will be a great pleasure and honour for us if you visit our performances and we send you our kindest regards.

Respectfully,

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