

Donizetti Maria Stuarda

Tragedia lirica in Three Acts

Libretto by Giuseppe Bardari

In Donizetti's opera *Maria Stuarda* the rôles of the doomed queen and her cousin, Elizabeth I, have been taken by some of the greatest divas, from Malibran to Gruberova and Tosi to Baltsa, each revelling in the high drama of their tragically linked fates. "Contributing greatly to the success of the work, the young Maestro Riccardo Frizza revealed himself as a deep and sensitive interpreter of this score, managing to capture all the nuances of Donizetti's music ... Laura Polverelli portrayed with elegance and pride the character of Elizabeth, her furies, doubts and jealousies; Maria Pia Piscitelli was a wonderful Maria Stuarda, passionate, sorrowful, proud, dignified when sentenced to death, recalling her past sins yet conscious of her innocence" (*MusiCultura*)

Elisabetta Laura Polverelli
 Maria Stuarda Maria Pia Piscitelli
 Anna Kennedy Giovanna Lanza
 Roberto, conte di Leicester Roberto De Biasio
 Talbot Simone Alberghini
 Cecil Mario Cassi

FORM – Orchestra Filarmonica Marchigiana

Coro Lirico Marchigiano 'V. Bellini'

Riccardo Frizza

Chorus master: Davide Crescenzi

Director, set and costume designer: Pier Luigi Pizzi

Lighting Designer: Sergio Rossi

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