

Donizetti

Marino Faliero

Azione tragica in Three Acts (1835 edition)

Libretto by Giovanni Emanuele Bidera

Donizetti's fiftieth opera, *Marino Faliero*, was first performed in Paris on 12 March 1835 with a cast comprising four of the finest singers of the period before premiering in London a few weeks later. Although these premières were both overshadowed by Bellini's *I Puritani*, *Marino Faliero* subsequently enjoyed a long and successful run of international performances throughout the 19th century before disappearing from the stage until its modern revival in 1966. Set in Venice in 1355, it remains a major work of Italian Romanticism, sentimental, martial, full of conspiratorial adventure and culminating with the execution of the leading rôle.

Marino Faliero, Doge of Venice Giorgio Surian
Elena, Dogaressa Rachele Stanisci
Fernando, the Doge's nephew Ivan Magri
Israele Bertucci, Captain of the Venetian Arsenal Luca Grassi
Steno, member of the Council of Forty Luca Dall'Amico
Leoni, member of the Council of Ten Leonardo Gramegna

**Orchestra and Chorus of the
 Bergamo Musica Festival Gaetano Donizetti**

Bruno Cinquegrani

Chorus Master: Fabio Tartari

Director: Marco Spada

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Producer: Alberto Dellepiane

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