

Opera confronts us with extremes of emotion, sometimes delivering unforgettable, life-changing experiences. *Fuoco sacro* ('Sacred Fire') seeks out singers who have the power to pierce our hearts, presenting three of them at work in the most intimate details of their rehearsals and preparations. Ermonela Jaho, Barbara Hannigan and Asmik Grigorian are watched closely as some of their secrets are revealed: how they inhabit their roles and transform words and notation on a page into that intangible but powerful magic being communicated to audiences from the opera stage. Over 90 minutes of extras are included featuring vocal warm-ups and live performances accompanied by pianists Evgenia Rubinova, Reinbert de Leeuw and Francesco Piemontesi.

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FUOCO SACRO

A SEARCH FOR THE SACRED FIRE OF SONG

with

ASMIK
GRIGORIAN

BARBARA
HANNIGAN

ERMONELA
JAHO



EXTRA FEATURES

Tchaikovsky: Letter Scene from *Eugene Onegin*
Asmik Grigorian, Soprano • Evgenia Rubinova, Piano

Satie: *Trois mélodies, Trois autres mélodies*
Barbara Hannigan, Soprano • Reinbert de Leeuw, Piano

Three arias from *Adriana Lecouvreur*, *La rondine*, *Gianni Schicchi*
Ermonela Jaho, Soprano • Francesco Piemontesi, Piano

Satie: *Gnossiennes Nos. 2–6*
Reinbert de Leeuw, Piano

Warm-ups with Asmik Grigorian, Barbara Hannigan and Ermonela Jaho

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