

Nielsen's *Maskarade* is regarded as Denmark's national opera. It combines folk-song character, Mozartean elegance and virtuoso surprises to create what conductor Titus Engel describes as 'musical comedy that's both witty and of the highest calibre'. Based on an 18th-century play by Ludvig Holberg, the story revolves around Leander and Leonora who meet at a masquerade ball, swear undying love, and then have to deal with the complicated consequences of their situation, all accompanied by Nielsen's irresistibly sparkling score. This acclaimed contemporary staging from Oper Frankfurt is sung in a new German translation and directed by Tobias Kratzer.

CARL NIELSEN (1865–1931)

# MASKARADE

Comic opera in three acts (1906)

Libretto by Vilhelm Andersen based on a comedy by Ludvig Holberg  
New German translation by Martin G. Berger

Jeronusmus **ALFRED REITER**  
Magdelone **SUSAN BULLOCK**  
Leander **MICHAEL PORTER**  
Henrik **LIVIU HOLENDER**

Arv **SAMUEL LEVINE**  
Leonard **MICHAEL McCOWN**  
Leonora **MONIKA BUCZKOWSKA**  
Pernille **BARBARA ZECHMEISTER**



Chor der Oper Frankfurt  
Chorus Master **TILMAN MICHAEL**

Frankfurter Opern- und Museumsorchester  
Conductor **TITUS ENGEL**

Stage Director **TOBIAS KRATZER**  
Set and Costume Designer **RAINER SELLMAIER**  
Lighting Designer **JOACHIM KLEIN**  
Choreographer **KINSUN CHAN**  
Dramaturg **KONRAD KUHN**  
Film Director **MYRIAM HOYER**

A Naxos production in co-production with Oper Frankfurt  
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