

First staged in Naples in 1819, Rossini's opera *La donna del lago* is based on Walter Scott's romantic poem *The Lady of the Lake*, setting a precedent for later composers, who also drew on Scott for their plots. Set in exotic 16th-century Scotland, the opera deals with the conflict between the Highland clansmen under Douglas and King James V, who generously forgives his enemy and allows the betrothal of his beloved Ellen, Douglas's daughter, to his former enemy, Malcolm.



**Gioachino  
ROSSINI**  
(1792-1868)

**R O S S I N I**  
I N W I L D B A D  
*Belcanto Opera Festival*

## La donna del lago

Melodramma in Two Acts

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Elena .....	Sonia Ganassi, Mezzo-soprano
Uberto/Giacomo V .....	Maxim Mironov, Tenor
Malcolm Groeme .....	Marianna Pizzolato, Mezzo-soprano
Rodrigo di Dhu .....	Ferdinand von Bothmer, Tenor
Douglas d'Angus .....	Wojtek Gierlach, Bass
Albina .....	Olga Peretyatko, Soprano
Serano .....	Stefan Cifollelli, Tenor

**Prague Chamber Choir (Chorus master: Adolf Melichar)**  
**Tübingen Festival Band (Director: Martin Amberger)**  
**SWR Radio Orchestra Kaiserslautern**  
**Alberto Zedda**

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1-22 Act I (beginning)	73:29	1-7 Act I (conclusion)	17:32
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