

Rossini's *Adina* is a one-act *farsa sentimentale* or *semiseria* set in a seraglio in Baghdad where we find the Caliph determined to marry Adina who is also loved by Selimo. To this standard story Rossini brought an unexpected psychological depth, augmented by coloratura arias and male choruses of richness and daring. However, for unknown reasons he omitted a vital Terzetto, which has made the work problematic to fully realise in performance. This recording employs the Terzetto from Giovanni Pacini's opera *La schiava in Bagdad*, a solution first proposed in 1861, much to the benefit of the opera's pacing.

Gioachino  
**ROSSINI**  
(1792–1868)

# Adina

*Farsa in one act (1818)*

Libretto by Gherardo Bevilacqua-Aldobrandini (1791–1845)

**ROSSINI**  
in WILDBAD  
*Belcanto Opera Festival*

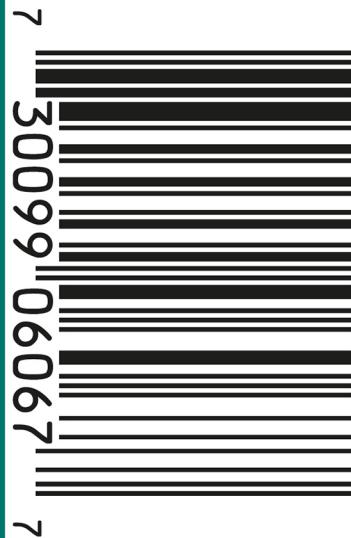
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Il Califo.....	Emmanuel Franco, Baritone
Adina.....	Sara Blanch, Soprano
Selimo.....	César Arrieta, Tenor
Alì.....	Aaron Godfrey-Mayes, Tenor
Mustafà.....	Shi Zong, Bass

Gianluca Ascheri, Fortepiano **2 5 8 10 14 16 18**

Kraków Philharmonic Chorus (Marcin Wróbel, Chorus Master)

Kraków Philharmonic Orchestra (Alexander Humala, Artistic Director)

Luciano Acocella

A detailed track list can be found inside the booklet

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