

Benjamin Britten (1913–1976)

Owen Wingrave, Op. 85

An opera in two acts

Libretto by Myfanwy Piper based on the short story by Henry James

Owen Wingrave, the last of the Wingraves.....	Peter Coleman-Wright baritone
Spencer Coyle, who runs a military cramming establishment.....	Alan Opie baritone
Lechmere, a young student with Owen at Coyle's establishment	James Gilchrist tenor
Miss Wingrave, Owen's aunt.....	Elizabeth Connell soprano
Mrs Coyle	Janice Watson soprano
Mrs Julian, a widow and dependent at Paramore.....	Sarah Fox soprano
Kate, her daughter	Pamela Helen Stephen mezzo-soprano
General Sir Philip Wingrave, Owen's grandfather	Robin Leggate tenor
Narrator, the ballad singer.....	Robin Leggate tenor
Distant chorus	Tiffin Boys' Choir
	Simon Toyne chorus master

COMPACT DISC ONE
Act I TT 64:31

The scene takes place in London, at the Coyles' military cramming establishment in Bayswater; at Miss Wingrave's lodgings in Baker Street, and in Hyde Park; and in the country at Paramore, the Wingrave family seat. The time is the late nineteenth century.

COMPACT DISC TWO
Act II TT 42:47

City of London Sinfonia
Nicholas Ward leader
Aidan Oliver assistant conductor

Richard Hickox

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