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Premiered in 1883, *Lakmé* remains one of the most popular of all French operas. Reflecting contemporary tastes, the original source material presented a tragic liaison between a French officer and a Tahitian woman on a Pacific island, but Delibes moved the location to British-ruled India where the two central characters are torn between passion and loyalty, and assailed by a fanatical religious leader. For this opera Delibes wrote music of indelible beauty, including the much-loved 'Flower Duet' and 'Bell Song'.

**LÉO DELIBES (1836–1891)**

# LAKMÉ

**Opéra-comique in three acts (1882)****Libretto by Edmond Gondinet and Philippe Gille**

Lakmé **SABINE DEVIEILHE**  
 Gérald **FRÉDÉRIC ANTOUN**  
 Nilakantha **STÉPHANE DEGOUT**  
 Mallika **AMBROISINE BRÉ**  
 Frédéric **PHILIPPE ESTÈPHE**

Ellen **ELISABETH BOUDREAU**  
 Rose **MARIELOU JACQUARD**  
 Mistress Bentson **MIREILLE DELUNSCH**  
 Hadji **FRANÇOIS ROUGIER**



**Orchestra and Choir**  
**Pygmalion**

**Conductor RAPHAËL PICHON**

**Stage Director**  
**and Costume Designer LAURENT PELLY**  
**Dialogue Adaptation AGATHE MÉLINAND**

**Set Designer CAMILLE DUGAS**  
**Lighting Designer JOËL ADAM**

A production by Opéra Comique in co-production with Opéra national du Rhin and Opéra Nice Côte d'Azur

**Film Director FRANÇOIS ROUSSILLON**

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