

Einojuhani Rautavaara

ALEKSIS KIVI

Opera in three acts (1996) (sung and recited in Finnish)

Libretto: Einojuhani Rautavaara

Aleksis Kivi JORMA HYNINEN
August Ahlqvist JANNE REINIKAINEN
Charlotta RIIKKA RANTANEN
Hilda PAULIINA LINNOSAARI
Young Alexis VILLE RUSANEN
J.L. Runeberg TOBIAS ZILLIACUS

Finnish National Opera Orchestra

Conductor: MIKKO FRANCK

Stage Director: PEKKA MILONOFF

Set Designer: EEVA IJÄS

Costume Designer: NIINA PASANEN

Lighting Designer: JUHA WESTMAN

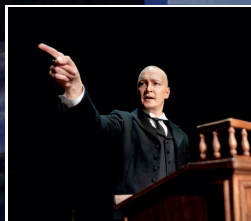
Choreographer: ARI NUMMINEN

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BONUS: THE MAKING OF 'ALEKSIS KIVI' (feat. interviews with Rautavaara, Hynninen & Franck)



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ALEKSIS KIVI

"Aleksis Kivi, who died in 1872 at the age of only 38, is Finland's national writer, the first notable author of plays, poetry and novels in the Finnish language. The libretto for the opera draws on Kivi's own texts and poems, along with the writings of his severe critic August Ahlqvist (aka A. Oksanen). The interweaving of tragedy, humour and fantasy is characteristic of Kivi's style, as indeed of this opera about his life."
– Einojuhani Rautavaara

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