

# Xerxes

(in Italian)

Opera in three acts by George Frideric Handel

Libretto by Anonymous

Based on Silvio Stapiiglia's libretto *Il Xerse*, based on Micolò Minato's *Il Xerse*

## Conductor

Patrick Summers

## Production

Nicholas Hytner

## Revival Director

Michael Walling

## Production designer

David Fielding

## Lighting Designer

Paul Pyant

## Chorus Director

Ian Robertson

## Choreographer

Lawrence Pech

## Fight Choreographer

Jonathan Rider

## Assistant conductor and prompter

Steven Moore

## Musical Preparation

Jonathan Kelly

Lydia Brown

Tamara Sanikidze

Fabrizio Corona

## Recitative accompaniment

Jonathan Kelly

Patrick Summers

David Kadarauch

Michael Leopold

## Supertitles

Francis Rizzo

## Assistant Stage Director

Roy Rallo

## Stage Manager

Darin Burnett

## Costume supervisor

Christopher Verdosci

## Production Super Captain

Paul Szczesiul

## Wig and Makeup Designer

Gerd Mairandres

## CAST

*Xerxes, the King of Persia* Susan Graham

*Arsamenes, his brother* David Daniels

*Ariodates, commander of Xerxes's army* Wayne Tigges\*

*Romilda, his daughter, in love with Arsamenes* Lisette Oropesa\*

*Atalanta, her sister, secretly in love with Arsamenes* Heidi Stober

*Amastris, a foreign princess betrothed to Xerxes* Sonia Prina

*Elviro, Arsamenes's servant* Michael Sumuel\*

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME:

Sunday, October 30 2011, at 1:30 PM  
Friday, November 4 2011, at 7:30 PM  
Tuesday, November 8 2011, at 7:30 PM  
Friday, November 11 2011, at 7:30 PM  
Wednesday, November 16 2011, at 7:00 PM  
Saturday, November 19 2011, at 7:30 PM

ACT I  
Intermission  
ACT II  
Intermission  
ACT III

**Sponsors:**

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Ms. Graham's and Mr. Daniels's appearances made possible by a gift to the Great Singers Fund by Joan and David Traitel.

**Notes:**

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SUPERNUMERARIES

Peter Bejger  
Jim Bowes  
Kyle Brisby  
Roderick Chow  
Marcus Monte Christo  
Philip Cramer  
Al Heibein  
Katie Heibein  
Jason Jeffery  
Priscilla Lore  
Christopher R.T. Smith  
Paul Szczesiul  
Carlos Suarez  
Kimberly Thompson  
Brandon Torres  
Carolyn Waugh  
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