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# Anna Bolena

(in Italian)

Opera in two acts by Gaetano Donizetti

Libretto by Felice Romani

## CAST

*Conductor*

Roberto Abbado

*Stage Director*

John Copley

*Set designer*

John Pascoe

*Costume Designer*

Michael Stennett

*Lighting Designer*

Michael Whitfield

*Chorus Director*

Ian Robertson

*Musical Preparation*

Robert Morrison,

Adelle Eslinger

Peter Grunberg

Joyce Fieldsend

*Prompter*

Kathleen Kelly

*Assistant Stage Director*

Sandra Bernhard

Beth Greenberg

*Stage Manager*

Jerry Sherk

*Fight Consultant*

Larry Henderson

*Supertitles*

Christopher Bergen

<i>Anna Bolena (Queen of England, second wife of Henry VIII)</i>	Carol Vaness
<i>Giovanna Seymour (Jane Seymour, her lady-in-waiting)</i>	Susanne Mentzer
<i>Smeton (Mark Smeaton), Queen's page and household musician</i>	Patricia Bardon †
<i>Enrico (Henry VIII), King of England</i>	Roberto Scanduzzi
<i>Rochefort (George Boleyn, Lord Rochford, Anne's brother)</i>	Scott Wilde
<i>Riccardo Percy (Lord Henry Percy) Earl of Northumberland</i>	Giuseppe Sabbatini
<i>Hervey (Sir Harvey), official at the court and the King's confidant</i>	Dennis Petersen

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: 1536, England

Friday, September 8 1995, at 6:30 PM  
Tuesday, September 12 1995, at 8:00 PM  
Friday, September 15 1995, at 8:00 PM  
Thursday, September 21 1995, at 7:30 PM  
Sunday, September 24 1995, at 1:00 PM  
Wednesday, September 27 1995, at 7:30 PM  
Saturday, September 30 1995, at 8:00 PM

Act I, Scene 1 -- The banquet hall in Windsor Castle

Act I, Scene 2 -- A room in Windsor Castle

Act I, Scene 3 -- The park of Windsor Castle

Act I, Scene 4 -- The antechamber to Anne's apartments in Windsor Castle

INTERMISSION

Act II, Scene 1 -- The Tower of London; Anne's quarters

Act II, Scene 2 -- The Tower of London; the antechamber to the Council Hall

Act II, Scene 3 -- The Tower of London; the prison

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**Notes:**

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