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# Peter Grimes

(in English)

Opera in three acts by Benjamin Britten

Libretto by Montagu Slater

Based on a poem by George Crabbe

*Conductor*

John Pritchard

*Production*

Geraint Evans

*Set designer*

Carl Toms

*Lighting Designer*

Robert Brand

*Chorus Director*

Byron Dean Ryan

*Musical Preparation*

Calvin Simmons

## CAST

<i>Hobson</i>	Philip Booth
<i>Swallow</i>	Michael Langdon
<i>Peter Grimes</i>	Jess Thomas*
<i>Mrs. Sedley</i>	Donna Petersen
<i>Ellen Orford</i>	Ava June †
<i>A fisherman</i>	John Del Carlo
<i>Auntie</i>	Sheila Nadler
<i>Bob Boles</i>	William Neill
<i>Captain Balstrode</i>	Geraint Evans
<i>Rev. Horace Adams</i>	James Atherton
<i>First niece</i>	Jacquelyn Benson
<i>Second niece</i>	Rebecca Roberts
<i>Ned Keene</i>	Timothy Nolen
<i>Boy</i>	Richard Morrison
<i>A lawyer</i>	Gary Burgess
<i>Dr. Thorpe</i>	William Tredway
<i>Offstage voice</i>	Luana De Vol

\*Role debut †U.S. opera debut

PLACE AND TIME: The Borough, a small fishing town on the East Coast of England, towards 1830

Saturday, October 27 1973, at 8:00 PM

Tuesday, October 30 1973, at 8:00 PM

Sunday, November 4 1973, at 2:00 PM

Friday, November 9 1973, at 8:00 PM

Prologue -- A room inside Moot Hall

Act I, Scene 1 -- The Borough beach and street

Scene 2 -- Inside the "Boar"

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Act II, Scene 1 -- The Borough beach and street

Scene 2 -- Peter Grimes's hut

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Act III, Scene 1 -- The Borough beach and street

Scene 2 -- Later that night

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**Notes:**

Costumes -- courtesy of Metropolitan Opera Association  
TANYA MOISEWITSCH, designer

Live broadcast -- November 9