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# Gustav Mahler's Third Symphony

JOHN NEUMEIER

... BALLET 2012

HDTV

Music by Gustav Mahler  
Choreography, sets and lighting by John Neumeier

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**TV DIRECTOR** Thomas Grimm

**RUNNING TIME** 1 x 115'

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## ARTISTIC INFORMATION

### DESCRIPTION

The entire edifice of John Neumeier's work is built around a profound musical sensibility. However, the choreographer, in his constant questioning of the human condition, probably finds the closest reflection of his own humanist concerns in the works of Gustav Mahler, several of whose symphonies he has set to dance. On the wings of the emotions inspired by the monumental *Third Symphony*, written as "a great hymn to the glory of all creation", he enters the composer's tormented and contrasting universe to sculpt images of a powerful and profound lyricism. The piece is an osmosis between music and dance, shot through with a palette of emotions, from existential angst to mystical faith. Chorus and soloists accompany the dancers' elegant movements, curved lines and vertiginous lifts, reminding us yet again of the richness of inspiration that powers Neumeier's choreography.

### PERFORMERS

**Danseurs étoiles** Karl Paquette, Isabelle Ciaravola, Eleonora Abbagnato, Mathias Heymann, Stéphane Bullion | Premiers Danseurs and Corps de Ballet de l'Opéra national de Paris | Paris Opera Orchestra and Chorus |

**Mezzo-soprano** Aline Martin | Maîtrise des Hauts-de-Seine / Paris Opera Children's Chorus |

### ARTISTIC STAFF

**Musical conductor** Simon Hewett | **Chorus master** Alessandro Di Stefano |

## PRODUCTION

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