

OPERA  
NATIONAL  
DE PARIS



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# Tosca

OPERA 2014

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Melodramma in three acts by Giacomo Puccini  
**Libretto** by Giuseppe Giacosa and Luigi Illica  
from the play of Victorien Sardou  
**Musical direction** by Daniel Oren  
**Stage direction** by Pierre Audi

**FILMED AT** Opéra national de Paris

**IN** October 2014

**TV DIRECTOR** Denis Caïozzi

**RUNNING TIME** 1x128'

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## ARTISTIC INFORMATION

### SYNOPSIS

A singer in love, passionate, jealous and impulsive; a romantic painter, an idealist and a defender of liberty; a police chief with a lust for flesh, power and blood, ready to do anything to achieve his ends. Puccini artfully combines the ingredients of a melodrama written for Sarah Bernhardt and comes up with what might be called the opera of operas, a spectacle at once primitive and decadent. In a mythical yet real Rome, from the shadows of the church of Sant' Andrea della Valle to the terrace of Castello Sant' Angelo, passions collide and tear all apart, mingling the erotic with the sacred, love with possession, theatre with life. Nothing is what it seems in Tosca: beautiful women who come to pray are conspirators, defeats are victories and mock executions are real. A spectacular work which captures the essence of opera as few others do. Pierre Audi signs a new production of this violent and passionate work for the Paris Opera.

### PERFORMERS

Martina Serafin ..... *Floria Tosca*  
Marcelo Alvarez..... *Mario Cavaradossi*  
Ludovic Tézier ..... *Scarpia*  
Wojtek Smilek..... *Cesare Angelotti*  
Carlo Bosi..... *Spoletta*  
André Heyboer ..... *Sciarrone*  
Paris Opera Orchestra and Chorus  
Maîtrise des Hauts-De-Seine / Paris Opera children's Chorus

### ARTISTIC STAFF

**Conductor:** Daniel Oren | **Stage director:** Pierre Audi |  
**Sets:** Christof Hetzer | **Costumes:** Robby Duiveman |  
**Lighting:** Jean Kalman | **Dramaturgy:** Klaus Bertisch |  
**Choruses master:** José Luis Basso

## PRODUCTION

**PRODUCTION COMPANIES:** Opéra national de Paris, Act4 Productions, with the participation of France Télévisions and the support of the CNC and of La Fondation Orange

**ASSOCIATE PRODUCERS:** Jacques Clément, Alexandra Clément, Laurent Métivier

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**VIDEO FORMAT** HDCAM, Digibeta, stereo sound and dolby 5.1



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