

Jehan-François Boucher Opera & Stage Director

Recent productions:

Engelenbak, Zaltbommel Netherlands

Djamileh

G. Bizet August 2006

conductor:Ernst Paul Fucks

with: Pamela Heuvelman, Rudi de Vries

Jan Alofs

Opera McGill, Montréal Canada

Radamisto

G.F.Handel March 2006

conductor: Hank Knox	g	
with:Leticia Brewer, Sarah Myatt		
Brian Wehrle, Aidan Fergusson		
Jacqueline Woodley Graham Thompson		
Julien Patenaude		
Opera McGill, Montréal Canada		
Evangeline Revisited (world prem	J. Wachner October 2005	
conductor: Julian Wachner		
with:Rosalind Picket,Marie-Eve Munger		
Krista de Silva, Gaetan Sauvageau		
Stadttheater Hagen, Germany:		
Faust	C. Gounod January 2005	
conductor Antony Hermus		
with: Dominic Wörtig Panajotis Iconomou,		
Angelina Ruzzafante, Peter Schöne,		
Tanja Schun, Marylin Bennett		
Teatro de la Opera, San Juan, Puerto Rico:		
Tristan und Isolde	R.Wagner November 2004	
conductor: Gareth Morell with: Jane Eaglen, Antonio Barasorda,		
Siggal Zeira, Rupert Bergmann,		
Charles Robert Austin		

Le Nozze di Figaro

W.A. Mozart November 2003

conductor: Genesio Riboldi

with: George Cordes, Ying Huang,	
Mel Ulrich, Melba Ramos, Jo-Anne Herrero,	
Ricardo Lugo	
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Norma	V. Bellini May 2003
conductor: Laurence Gilgore	
with: Fabiana Bravo, Antonio Barasorda,	
Carmen Cornier	
Faust	C. Gounod March 2002
conductor: Lawrence Gilgore	
with: Justino Diaz, Césare Hernandez,	
Melba Ramos, Vladimir Glushchak	
Les Pêcheurs de Perles	G.Bizet May 2001
conductor: Roberto Montenegro	
with:Gino Quilico, Reinaldo Macias,	
Denise Vidal, Paul Plishka	
Opera Viva! Amsterdam	
Don Pasquale	G. Donizetti
Blaricum	July 2000
Festival Bommel Alive	August 2001
Dutch Embassy, Luxembourg	June 2002

Gelders Opera Arnhem Orpheus in the Underworld J. Offenbach, October2001 Sondheim Society & Co **Amsterdam** Into the Woods S.Sondheim Amsterdam,2002 Apollo Baroque Ensemble **Actéon** M.A. Charpentier Dec. 2001 Apollo Ã" Dafne G.F. Haendel Zomeropera 2003 Les Perruques dâ Amsterdam Le Cinesi C.W.Gluck, Breedeweg Festival April 2002 What the critics said: Radamisto: Radamisto in action: Visually, this Radamisto is in constant motion. By means of six columns the scenery alters frequently, creating each time a new space for the numerous entrances and exits. Claude Gingras La Presse Montréal, 17 03 2006 Faust:

Luckily director JFB does not rely on an experimental approach or obscure interpretations. He moved the setting from the Middle-Ages to the late nineteen hundreds. This creates a less grim atmosphere, almost cosy, but overall very striking scenes determine the ending. His characterisation of the dramatis personae is very clear and effective.

Udo-Gustaf Kleff Theater Pur 03 01 2005

Doctor Faust in the Age of Enlightenment

A gripping drama of human emotions in a thrilling staging. The audience appreciated this presentation with overwhelming applause. Boucher is capable of creating striking scenes.

Doro Kirchhoff WestfĤlische Rundschau -17 01 05

Tristan und Isolde:

What a great scenic approach by JFB! The rendition of this director is really the best contribution to the spectacle. The talent of this director enables him to show all sides of the legendary story in a transparant, realistic and uncomplicated way and the admirable lighting in a photgraphic style enhances the impact of the dramatis personae.

-Dr.Marc Jean-Bernard El nuevo Dia -20 11 2004

Le Nozze di Figaro:

The most outstanding aspect of this production was without any doubts the staging. By use of metaphors, Boucher seduced as well as convinced us of the universality of this masterpiece.

Victor R. Castro GÃ3mez, El Vocero 17 11 2003

Norma:

Enriched with historical details â ¡Boucherâ s traditional and realistic concept created a clear and sharp perception of the amorous circle around the warm-hearted and humane priestess, a role sung by the impressive Argentinean soprano Fabiana Bravo.

E. B., Ã pera Actual no. 61 Madrid, 2003

Le Cinesi:

The light-hearted and expressive music of this chinoiserie, combined with Boucher's subtle yet effective staging produced a hilarious spectacle. The four singers gave their all where over the top and ironic acting was required in combination with a most admirable vocal input.

Susanne Lammers, Leidsch Dagblad, 2002

Passion according to Saint Matthew:

a Bach's passion where movement and lighting emphasised the story told; Boucher clearly had been studying the matters throroughly. The outcome provided us with wonderful dramatic moments and the initiative may be called most successful.

Arne Jurriaans, Delftse Courant 1998

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Repertorio

Faust (Charles Gounod): 1/1/2005 - 18/6/2005 Theater Hagen

<u>Tristan und Isolde</u> (Richard Wagner):

15/10/2004 - 21/11/2004 San Juan, Teatro de la Opera