

MUSSORGSKY  
**BORIS GODUNOV**

Mussorgsky was inspired to compose his masterpiece *Boris Godunov* after reading Pushkin's Shakespeare-inspired play of the same name. It features one of the most dramatically rewarding bass-baritone roles: a noble ruler who loves his children and his people, but whose thirst for power has led him to commit a terrible crime. Bryn Terfel is "a powerful new Boris" (*The Observer*) in Richard Jones' new production of the original 1869 score. Antonio Pappano conducts an outstanding cast that also includes John Graham-Hall as the crafty Prince Shuisky and John Tomlinson as the vagabond monk Varlaam.



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**THE ROYAL OPERA**  
DIRECTOR KASPER HOLTEN  
BORIS GODUNOV **BYRN TERFEL**  
ANDREY SHCHELKALOV KOSTAS SMORIGINAS  
NIKITICH **JEREMY WHITE**  
MITYUKHA **ADRIAN CLARKE**  
PRINCE VASILY IVANOVICH **SHUIJSKY**  
JOHN GRAHAM-HALL  
PIMEN AIN ANGER  
GRIGORY OTREPIEV **DAVID BUTT PHILIP**  
HOSTESS OF THE INN  
REBECCA DE PONT **DAVIES**  
VARLAAM JOHN TOMLINSON  
MISSAIL **HARRY NICOLL**  
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Antonio Pappano appears courtesy  
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Bryn Terfel and Antonio Pappano  
on what makes *Boris Godunov* a  
masterpiece  
Cast gallery

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