



RAYMONDA: Capturing a Musical Journey

The journey of adapting and realising Glazunov's score for Tamara Rojo's production of *Raymonda* was extensive, and this recording preserves the beauty of the piece and the musical talent working with English National Ballet. We spent four rewarding days making the recording, and it simply could not have happened the way it did without some very special people, to whom I offer my warmest thanks:

To Alexander Glazunov, for providing a score of great contrast, passion and exuberance;

To Tamara Rojo CBE, the creator of the production, for her brilliance and energy as producer, choreographer and inspiration to every collaborator in realising a masterpiece;

To the tremendous English National Ballet Philharmonic, one of the most gifted and versatile groups of musicians with whom it has been my honour to work (and in offering thanks I must also single out Orchestra Leader Matthew Scrivener and Orchestra Manager Paul Allen for their assurance and support, as well as their important musical gifts);

To my close colleague Lars Payne, an indefatigable authority on ballet music and without a doubt the one person who really knows what an orchestra needs to play, how to present it, and how to gain the highest authenticity in every bar;

Philip Hobbs, Senior Engineer for Linn Records, for his smooth and dedicated guidance through our recording sessions;

Finally, a very special thank you to Charles Holloway – for his devotion to ballet, and to this ballet in particular: his generous support allowed us to give *Raymonda* the best performance we could provide. Alongside this, his attendance at every session, savouring every bar, offering every encouragement, carried us all along with the excitement of bringing this recording to you.

I hope you enjoy *Raymonda* as much as we do. Gavin Sutherland

DISC 1		Total time 61:21	DISC 2	Total time 57:55
ActI			Act II	
1.	No. 1: Introduction; No. 2: Scene I – Raymonda's House	5:28	22. No. 28: Entr'acte; No. 29: Scene I, Abdur Rahman's Tent	2:24
2.	No. 3: Scene II – The Camp; No. 4: The Call to Arms;		23. No. 30: Abdur Rahman's Guards	1:43
	No. 5: Raymonda's Entrance	4:16	24. No. 31: Variation – Abdur Rahman	1:09
3.	No. 6: Entrance and Dance of the Soldiers; No. 7: Grand Waltz	7:35	25. No. 32: Ratchuli Dance	0:55
4.	No. 8: Variation – Henriette	1:07	26. No. 33: Dance of the Entertainers	1:39
5.	No. 9: Variation – Bernard and Berenger	1:21	27. No. 34: Grand pas espagnol	2:15
6.	No. 10: Variation – John de Bryan	1:01	28. No. 35: Variation – Henriette	1:42
7.	No. 11: Variation – Clemence	1:00	29. No. 36: Variation – Raymonda	1:38
8.	No. 12: Dance of the Six Nurses ("Pizzicato")	1:17	30. No. 37: Variation – Clemence	2:25
9.	No. 13: Variation – Raymonda ("Dream Waltz")	2:02	31. No. 38: Grand pas d'action	4:50
10.	No. 14: Waltz – Coda	1:32	32. No. 39: Bacchanal; No. 40: John and the Troops Return;	
11.	No. 15: Scene - Farewells and Arrival of Abdur Rahman;		No. 41: Hymn – The Blessing	6:34
	No. 16: Variation – Abdur Rahman	4:28	Act III	
12.	No. 17: Scene	2:20	33. No. 42: Entr'acte; No. 43: Scene I – The Wedding	4:38
13.	No. 18: Raymonda's Tent – Romanesca	2:18	34. No. 44: Grand pas hongrois	4:34
14.	No. 19: Clemence Solo	1:13	35. No. 45: Grand pas de deux – Entrée	2:20
15.	No. 20: Variation – Raymonda (with scarf)	1:31	36. No. 46: Pas classique hongrois	3:22
16.	No. 21: Clemence, Henriette and Raymonda ("Conversations")	1:40	37. No. 47: Variation – Henriette	3.2 <i>2</i> 1:15
17.	No. 22: Lanterns; No. 23: Corps de Ballet ("Valse Triste")	8:42		
18.	No. 24: Variation – John de Bryan	2:52	38. No. 48: Variation – Four men	1:32
19.	No. 25: Pas de trois (Grand Adagio)	4:34	39. No. 49: Pas de trois – Clemence and Bridesmaids	1:28
20.	No. 26: Coda	2:55	40. No. 50: Variation – John de Bryan	1:11
21.	No. 27: Finale Act One	1:28	41. No. 51: Variation – Raymonda	2:48
			42. No. 52: Coda	2:42
			43. No. 53: Galop	2:47
			44. No. 54: Apotheosis	1:58



Gavin Sutherland was born in County Durham, UK, and trained at the University of Huddersfield, where he received First Class Honours and Masters in Conducting, Orchestration and Piano. He also won the Kruczynski Prize for Piano and the Davidson Prize for Distinction Brought to the Institution. Gavin has worked with numerous companies and orchestras worldwide, including Northern Ballet; Birmingham Royal Ballet; Royal New

Zealand Ballet; Bayerischer Staatsballett; Royal Ballet of Flanders; Finnish National Ballet; New National Ballet of Japan; Norwegian National Ballet; Royal Ballet Sinfonia; Royal Philharmonic Orchestra; City of Prague Philharmonic Orchestra; BBC Concert Orchestra; Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra; Münchner Rundfunkorchester; and Australian Philharmonic Orchestra.

Gavin first conducted for English National Ballet in 1999, and was appointed Music Director in June 2008. He arranged and orchestrated Tchaikovsky's *Sleeping Beauty* for *Angelina's Star Performance* and *Angelina Ballerina's Big Audition*; other orchestrations include Wayne Eagling's *Men Y Men* (Rachmaninoff), Liam Scarlett's *No Man's Land* (Liszt) and reconstructions for *Le Corsaire*, along with the My First Ballet series which includes *Sleeping Beauty*, *Cinderella*, *Coppélia* and *Swan Lake*. Gavin also created the orchestrations for Vincenzo Lamagna's score for Akram Khan's *Giselle*, for the annual Emerging Dancer competitions, for *Nutcracker Delights*, and for many other ENB events. Gavin adapted and edited Alexander Glazunov's score, along with Lars Payne, for Tamara Rojo's *Raymonda*. At the end of 2022, Gavin stepped down as Music Director to pursue other projects whilst maintaining the role of Principal Guest Conductor.

Gavin has recorded over 100 CDs, broadcast worldwide, and is a regular conductor for BBC Radio 2's Friday Night is Music Night. His musical *Little Women* enjoyed two runs in London, and his other compositions and arrangements are in considerable demand. He makes frequent appearances as a piano soloist and in chamber music, and was Chairman of the Light Music Society from 2009 – 2018. In July 2016, Gavin made his debut at the BBC Proms, Royal Albert Hall with the BBC Concert Orchestra, and in September 2017 he conducted the BBC National Orchestra of Wales in the Last Night of the BBC Proms in the Park. As a musicologist he has frequently written and broadcasted about music for dance and British orchestral music, and he frequently reconstructs lost orchestral scores, chiefly from the genres of ballet, stage, and screen.

In July 2019 Gavin was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of the University of Huddersfield and in 2020 he received the Critics' Circle National Dance Award for Outstanding Creative Contribution.

TAMARA ROJO CBE



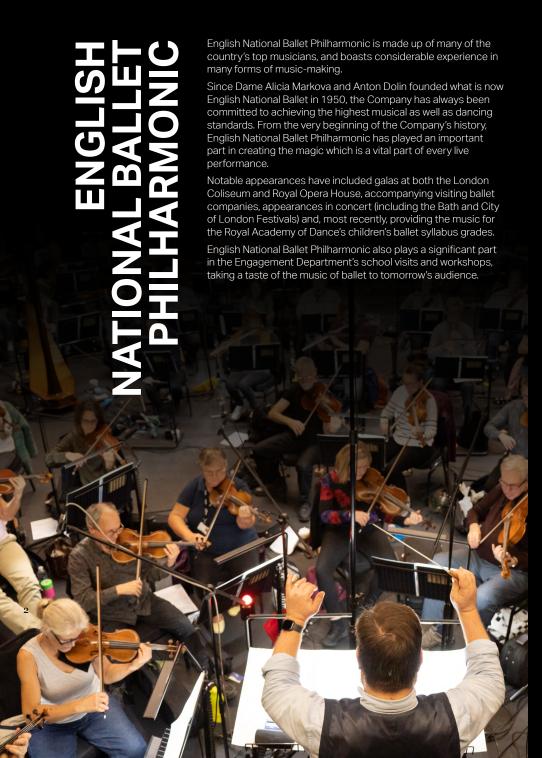
Tamara Rojo CBE was Artistic Director of English National Ballet from 2012-2022.

Tamara trained in Madrid. She won a Gold Medal at the Paris International Dance Competition and a Special Jury Award unanimously given by a judging panel led by Natalia Makarova, Vladimir Vasiliev and Galina Samsova, who asked her to join Scottish Ballet. Later, at English National Ballet,

Tamara danced the full range of the Company's Principal roles, including Juliet (Romeo & Juliet) and Clara (Nutcracker). Her performances as Clara broke all box office records at the London Coliseum and The Times named her 'Dance Revelation of the Year'. Tamara joined The Royal Ballet as a Principal at the invitation of Sir Anthony Dowell shortly after her highly acclaimed Guest Artist debut with the Company in Sir Peter Wright's Giselle, and danced there for 12 years.

Tamara has been repeatedly recognised for her artistic excellence. Her awards include: the 2010 Laurence Olivier Award for Best New Dance Production; Spain's three highest Honours, The Prince of Asturias Award, the Gold Medal of Fine Arts and Encomienda de Número de Isabel la Católica; the Benois de la Danse Award; Critics' Circle National Dance Award; Barclay's Outstanding Achievement in Dance Award; Positano Dance Award; Leonide Massine Premio al Valore; the Italian Critic's Award; and from the City of Madrid, both the International Medal of the Arts and the Interpretation Award. In January 2016 Tamara Rojo became D.A. Magna Cum Laude, presenting her thesis 'Psychological Profile of the Elite Dancer - Vocational Characteristics of the Professional Dancer' at Rey Juan Carlos University, and was awarded a CBE for her services to ballet in the Queen's 2016 New Year's Honours.

Raymonda marked Tamara's debut in Choreography and Direction. English National Ballet performed the production's world premiere at the London Coliseum in January 2022, and have since toured it nationally and internationally. Raymonda received its international premiere in Helsinki in February 2023, performed by Finnish National Ballet. In November 2022, after a decade as Artistic Director of English National Ballet, Tamara stepped down in order to take up the same position at San Francisco Ballet.



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Conducted by Gavin Sutherland

Leader Matthew Scrivener

Violin 1 Matthew

Scrivener* Rachel Allen **Emil Chakalov** Anne Martin Ruth Knell Fiona Chesterman Carl Beddow Alberto Vidal Evie Rodgers Charlie Brookes Matt Everett Sophie Belinfante

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Flute

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Piccolo Helen Keen*

Oboe

Gareth Hulse* Rachel Harwood-White Jenny Brittlebank Odette Cotton

Clarinet

Derek Hannigan* Paul Allen Alice Eddie Peter Cigleris Alan Andrews

Bassoon

John McDougall* Howard Legge Julia Staniforth

French Horn

Mark Johnson* Alex Carr Richard Dilley Duncan Fuller Lindsay Kempley David Wythe Carsten Williams Richard Stroud

Trumpet

Alex Cromwell* Patricia Reid Martin Rockall

Andrew Connington* Michael Crowther Bass Trombone Les Storey*

Tuba

Trombone

Martin Knowles*

Harp

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