



The Richard Wagner Society of Tampa Bay Florida

Newsletter for March 2006

Date: Sunday, March 26th at 2:00 p.m.

Location: The home of Dr. Richard and Marita Rotella
515 161st. Avenue Redington Beach, FL.

Please make your reservation by Friday March 24th (727) 391-2658

Program: *Der Freischuetz (The Free Shot)*
An opera in three act's by Carl Maria von Weber.

A DVD production from the Wuerttembergische Staatsoper, in Stuttgart Germany.

Der Freischuetz was met with instant success on its premiere in Berlin in 1821. Audiences identified readily with the folk melodies and hunting ambiance of its Bohemian setting. The story tells of Max's struggle to win Agathe in marriage. The desperation which leads him to trade with the devil in order to regain his lost marksman's skills, finds resolution when fate intervenes to prevent the fatal 'free bullet' from striking Agathe, saved by the sacred roses in her bridal coronet.

Running time: 145 minutes with two intermissions. It is performed in German with English subtitles. Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be available.

Report

The next meeting is scheduled for April 23rd. A lecture: "Richard Wagner and anti Semitism". Our guest speaker is: Mr. Karl Hesser, Education Director for the Sarasota Opera. The location will be announced in your next newsletter.

Membership

Please remember your membership dues for 2006. \$25.00 Regular, \$40.00 Family \$50.00 and higher Sponsor.

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