

**WAGNER SOCIETY MANCHESTER  
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**The WNO production of Die Meistersinger  
March 8<sup>th</sup> 2010**

Simon Rees of WNO will give a lecture on this new production which has Bryn Terfel in the role of Hans Sachs. Simon is responsible for translating the surtitles and proposes to look at the relationship of the text to the music. He is well known as an entertaining and authoritative speaker, and will illustrate his talk with DVD and CD extracts.

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**Lohengrin in Birmingham**

The CBSO are giving a concert performance of Lohengrin at Symphony Hall on Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The performance starts at 4.30 pm and ends at approximately 10.15 pm.

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**Longborough Festival Opera**

**Die Walkure  
24, 27 ,31 July 2010**

Longborough has been described by Rudolph Sabor as '*der Englische Bayreuth*' and Anthony Negus, who will conduct this new production of Die Walkure, will be one of our speakers next season. Full details of the production and ticket prices can

be obtained from [www.lfo.org.uk](http://www.lfo.org.uk) or 01451 830292. Booking opens on March 8<sup>th</sup>.

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### **LA Opera's Extraordinary Ring**

3 Cycles in May and June 2010

The first ever Ring Cycle in Los Angeles is being celebrated in style with Placido Domingo as co – director and a huge range of events. See the website for pictures of what promises to be a truly exciting experience.

[www.ringfestivalla.com](http://www.ringfestivalla.com)

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### **Therese Malten: Wagner's Devoted Kundry**

This new book by Michael Letchford brings together a fascinating collection of correspondence, press notices and reminiscences relating to a singer who so impressed Wagner that he invited her to be part of the cast of the *premiere* of Parsifal. Details available from our Secretary.

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### **Wagner Festival in Wels, Austria**

Performances of Tristan und Isolde and Lohengrin  
30 May – 5 June 2010

[www.wagner-festival-wels.com](http://www.wagner-festival-wels.com)

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### **Jon Vickers – an appraisal**

This talk has been re-scheduled to May 10<sup>th</sup>, after our brief AGM.

Jackie Roberts

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