

**WAGNER SOCIETY MANCHESTER
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**Jon Vickers – an appraisal
(January meeting)**

Unfortunately this meeting had to be postponed because of snow and ice; too many members were unable even to get their cars out. We will probably re-schedule the talk to May 10th, after our brief AGM.

**The Role of Fasolt
(February 8 2010)**

David Fallows, Reader in Music at Manchester University, will talk about the character and music of Fasolt. The 'good' giant has some wonderful music in Das Rheingold so here is an opportunity to concentrate on a minor, but important character under the guidance of an expert, and entertaining, speaker.

Lohengrin in Birmingham

The CBSO are giving a concert performance of Lohengrin at Symphony Hall on Saturday, June 12th, 2010. The performance starts at 4.30 pm and ends at approximately 10.15 pm. This is just weeks before conductor Andris Nelsons makes his debut at Bayreuth. Edith Heller sings Elsa, Lioba

Braun Ortrud, Eike Wilm Shulte Telramund and Lance Ryan Lohengrin.

Opera North's Ring Cycle

Opera North have confirmed that they will give concert performances of **The Ring of the Nibelung** over a four year period commencing in June 2011 with Das Rheingold.

Performance dates for Das Rheingold are

Leeds Town Hall	Saturday 18 June 2011
Symphony Hall	Friday June 24 2011
The Sage Gateshead	Sunday 26 June 2011
Leeds Town Hall	Wednesday 29 June 2011
Leeds Town Hall	Friday 1 July 2011
The Lowry Salford Quays	Saturday 10 September 2011

Richard Farnes will conduct the whole Ring cycle and Sir John Tomlinson is Artistic Consultant to this splendid Ring project. We hope, nearer the time, to arrange for a speaker from Opera North to visit the Manchester Wagner Society.

Live from the Met 2009 – 2010

16 January	Carmen	FACT, Liverpool 6 pm
6 February	Simon Boccanegra	FACT, Liverpool 6 pm

Royal Opera House

18 Jan 7pm	Don Carlo	Odeon Manchester
18 Jan 2 pm	La Traviata	Blackburn
19 Jan 6.15 pm	La Traviata	Blackburn
w.b. 22 Feb	Mayerling	Odeon Manchester

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