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English Touring Opera tours to more places in the UK than any other opera company, and has been producing innovative and high quality opera for 26 years. We sing in English and use exciting young singers alongside established names. ETO is committed to making opera accessible to all, with tickets starting from £9.50

This spring, we are presenting two shows in which passionate women show their mettle - Puccini's **Tosca** and Janáček's **Jenůfa**. Both are designed by Michael Vale, whose acclaimed work has been seen at the Royal Opera, the National Theatre and the RSC. Meanwhile, a co-production with Pegasus Opera of Leoncavallo's **Pagliacci** gets a tour of its own, bringing some of the country's finest black singers to wider notice. If that's not enough to whet your appetite, in May we'll be staging a new production of **Tolomeo** with the London Handel Festival and the Royal College of Music which will be revived as part of our touring baroque festival later this year. Please visit our website for updates about all of these projects.

Tosca Puccini

Tosca's heady blend of intrigue, lust and revenge has made it one of the best-loved operas of all time. The passionate opera singer who is prepared to risk all for the man she loves is played by Julie Unwin, a popular Alice in ETO's production of **Falstaff** last year. Olivier award nominee Tim Carroll directs this political thriller, set against the backdrop of the Napoleonic wars, in which a handful of idealists are pitted against the might of a totalitarian state. Noel Davies, conductor of ETO's acclaimed spring 2005 production of **Mary, Queen of Scots** and veteran of the Royal Opera and the New York Met, returns to conduct.

Jenůfa Janáček

Janáček's sense of drama and lyrical style make his operas among the most powerful and accessible ever written. **Jenůfa** caused a scandal when it first appeared because of its sympathetic depiction of an unmarried girl's pregnancy, but it soon triumphed worldwide. You will leave the theatre with your faith in humanity re-affirmed by its uplifting ending. Amanda Echalaz returns to play the title role after her towering performance as Alcina in autumn 2005, with Anne Mason (our wonderful Mary, Queen of Scots) as her stepmother. **Jenůfa** reunites ETO's General Director James Conway and Associate Conductor Michael Rosewell, following their captivating **A Midsummer Night's Dream** in spring 2004.

London Hackney Empire	020 8985 2424
09/03 Tosca*	Tickets: £10.00-£27.50
10/03 Jenůfa*	
11/03 Tosca	

Cambridge Arts Theatre	01223 503333
21/03 Tosca	Tickets: £10.00-£35.00
22/03 Jenůfa**	
23/03 Tosca	
24/03 Jenůfa	
25/03 Tosca	

Crawley The Hawth	01293 553636
27/03 Tosca	Tickets: £15.50-£24.00
28/03 Jenůfa*	Buy both for £39.00

Aldeburgh Snape Maltings	01728 687110
30/03 Tosca	Tickets: £10.00-£27.00
31/03 Jenůfa†	Under 21s half price
01/04 Tosca	

Sheffield Lyceum	0114 249 6000
03/04 Tosca	Tickets: £18.00-£32.00
04/04 Jenůfa**	Under 27s £7.50
05/04 Tosca*	

Bexhill De La Warr Pavilion	01424 229111
07/04 Tosca	Tickets: £11.00-£22.00
08/04 Jenůfa*	Under 18s £10.00

Truro Hall for Cornwall	01872 262466
10/04 Tosca	Tickets: £12.00-£20.50
11/04 Jenůfa	
12/04 Tosca	

Poole Lighthouse	01202 685222
20/04 Tosca	Tickets: £19.50
21/04 Jenůfa*	
22/04 Tosca	

Salisbury City Hall	01722 434434
24/04 Tosca	Tickets: £14.00-£20.00
25/04 Jenůfa*	

Kendal Leisure Centre	01539 729702
28/04 Tosca	Tickets: £12.00-£18.00
29/04 Jenůfa	

Wolverhampton Grand Theatre	01902 429212
02/05 Tosca	Tickets: £9.50-£25.50
03/05 Jenůfa	

Buxton Opera House	0845 12 72190
04/05 Tosca	Tickets: £13.50-£29.50
05/05 Jenůfa	£13.00-£25.50
06/05 Tosca	£13.50-£29.50

Cheltenham Everyman Theatre	01242 572573
09/05 Tosca	Tickets: £12.50-£25.00
10/05 Jenůfa*	
11/05 Tosca	
12/05 Jenůfa	
13/05 Tosca	

Warwick Arts Centre	024 7652 4524
16/05 Tosca	Tickets: £18.00-£25.00
17/05 Jenůfa	Book both, save 15%
18/05 Tosca	
19/05 Jenůfa	
20/05 Tosca	

Durham Gala Theatre	0191 332 4041
22/05 Tosca*	Tickets: £23.50-£25.00
23/05 Jenůfa*	

Perth Theatre	01738 472706
25/05 Tosca	Tickets: £11.00-£28.00
26/05 Jenůfa	
27/05 Tosca	

*Pre-show talk †Captioned performance *Audio described performance
Please note other pre-show talks and performances with extra access facilities may be added at a later date.

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