

OPUS ARTE



## TWIN SPIRITS

devised and directed for the stage by JOHN CAIRD

*Twin Spirits* is a unique and intimate, live theatrical performance by a chamber ensemble of actors, singers and instrumentalists, portraying the deep and ultimately tragic love between the composer Robert Schumann (Sting/Simon Keenlyside) and his pianist wife Clara Wieck (Trudie Styler/Rebecca Evans). In this intensely moving performance of words, song and instrumental music, the Schumanns' long separation, so formative an influence on their lives, is reflected in the division of the ensemble into male and female groups. The letters and lyrics are linked together by the narrator (Derek Jacobi) to complete the essential outline of the story. Conceived and directed by John Caird, *Twin Spirits* was first performed in June 2005 at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London and has since been experienced only at private performances for charity by small audiences of all ages and interests, leaving them deeply touched and inspired.

Spoken in English and sung in German with subtitles in English, French, German, Spanish and Italian.

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ROBERT SCHUMANN  
*(in words)* Sting\*  
*(in song)* Simon Keenlyside  
 CLARA WIECK  
*(in words)* Trudie Styler  
*(in song)* Rebecca Evans  
 VIOLIN Sergej Krylov  
 CELLO Natalie Clein  
 PIANOS Iain Burnside,  
 Natasha Paremski  
 NARRATOR Derek Jacobi

\* Sting appears courtesy of  
 Cherrytree/A&M Records

### EXTRA FEATURES

- Photo gallery
- Cast talk: Director John Caird talks to the instrumentalists, actors and singers, the narrator Derek Jacobi and the musicologist Daniel Gallagher
- Documentary: One heart, one soul
- Robert and Clara Schumann chronology
- My House – The work of Royal Opera House Education

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*Twin Spirits*  
 Robert & Clara Schumann

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 in words & music

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