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## THE ADVENTURES OF PINOCCHIO JONATHAN DOVE (1959-)

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Opera North's enchanting staging of *The Adventures of Pinocchio*, Jonathan Dove's 21st opera, is a wittily inventive feast for the eyes and ears. A full-length, through-composed grand opera with 29 characters, a sizeable chorus and a profound symphonic score, it is overflowing with visual delights, and children will love it! A sublime achievement by Martin Duncan and team, this production shines a bright new light on Collodi's dream-like original story, full of charm, darkness and magic. The superb ensemble cast stars a winning Victoria Simmonds in the title role, and the orchestra and chorus respond splendidly under David Parry's vibrant baton. Mastered from the High Definition video recording and in true surround sound, this is a wonderful chance for children and adults to relive an exhilarating theatre experience at home.

Sung in English with English, French, German, Spanish and Italian subtitles.

Commissioned by Opera North with Sadler's Wells Theatre. A co-production with Theater Chemnitz.

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**Pinocchio** Victoria Simmonds  
**Geppetto** Jonathan Summers  
**The Blue Fairy** Mary Plazas  
**Cricket/Parrot** Rebecca Bottone  
**Puppeteer/Ape-Judge/Ringmaster/Big Green Fisherman** Graeme Broadbent  
**Lampwick** Allan Clayton  
**Cat** Mark Wilde  
**Fox/Coachman** James Laing  
**Pigeon/Snail** Carole Wilson

Orchestra & Chorus of Opera North

**Conductor** David Parry  
**Stage Director** Martin Duncan  
**Set & Costume Designer** Francis O'Connor  
**Lighting Designer** Davy Cunningham  
**Movement Director** Nick Winston

### EXTRA FEATURES

Synopsis

Cast gallery

Thoughts on *The Adventures of Pinocchio* by the Composer, Librettist, Stage Director & Conductor

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AUDIO FORMATS

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