

# **Technical Rider and Information Elgar: Enigma Variations: What Secret?**

## **Performers and Personnel**

- 1. Conductor
- 2. Orchestra
- 3. Narrator
- 4. 3 Actors (2 male, 1 female)
- 5. Pianist
- 6. Projectionist experienced with Mac OS and computer-driven HD projections; including QLab and Isadora
- 7. Stagehand labor
- 8. Soundboard operator
- 9. Lightboard operator

## **Technical Information**

In connection with the CSO's "Beyond the Score" program to be performed by Presenter's ensemble, CSO and Presenter agree as follows:

CSO agrees to furnish the following at CSO's expense:

- -- Hard-drive and access to online storage with show multimedia in <u>QLAB or Isadora</u> format.
- -- Scripts for actors
- -- Cuing score for Production Stage Manager

Presenter agrees to furnish the following at Presenter's expense:

# **SOUND** (Subject to advance)

- -- Sound equipment to amplify spoken word clearly and consistently throughout concert hall; 2 wireless headset microphones (DPA 4065 or equivalent); sound to be mixed from in-house position. Back-up microphones for actors are recommended.
- -- CD player or audio playback laptop (recommended) <u>and operator</u> are needed for all non-orchestral rehearsals to play orchestral excerpts. Excerpts will be provided as CD and as MP3/playlist, and should be played through the primary sound system.
- -- Clearcom system for communication between Production Stage Manager, soundman, lightboard operator and projectionist, and musical excerpt player for non-orchestral rehearsals.

### LIGHTING (Subject to advance)

- -- Specials focused on actors and conductor.
- -- Stand lights for orchestra members and conductor powered from light board and dimmable; recommend use of hoods or other masking device for orchestra stand lights to minimize spill onto screen. Stand lights to be removed at intermission (2<sup>nd</sup> half of concert in regular concert lighting).

## PROJECTION/SCREEN for Primary projections

- -- Minimum 16' x 28' screen to accommodate 16:9 aspect ratio images, centered above orchestra as needed for optimal sightlines (retractable screen is optimal).
- --Appropriate location from which to project with appropriate power requirements for projection equipment.
- -- -- Projector should feature a minimum resolution of 1920 X 1080 and a minimum brightness of 14,000 lumens. Appropriate lenses based on throw distance and hall.
- -- A main projection computer consisting of a MacPro [\*\*This is a desktop tower computer and NOT a MacBook Pro Laptop]\*\*\* or similar model running MacOS 10.11 or later. The computer must have a Retina display and at least a quad-core processor, a Solid State Hard Drive, a minimum of 8GB of RAM, and a minimum of 2GB of video RAM. This computer should have its own dedicated monitor, keyboard, and wired mouse (or pointing device).
- This show uses embedded audio. The projection computer must have the ability to output audio. A stereo audio connection to the venue's sound system is necessary. This can be via the built-in audio output (3.5mm), or using a digital audio interface.
- -- Backup computer recommended. Backup computer should mirror the projection computer, but a MacBook Pro with Retina display (2014 or later) can be used as a backup as needed. Note that used in place of a second MacPro as a backup.
- --Presenter will be required to download and rent via temporary license appropriate projection software as required by show. Projection format will be in either Isadora or QLab formats.
- -- A Folsom Screen Pro switcher (or similar switcher) is necessary if using a backup computer
- -- All necessary cables and distribution

### **OTHER**

- -- Placement for Production Stage Manager in front of house position (i.e., booth) or backstage with video monitors (one large overall stage view and one conductor view) and audio monitor.
- -- Music stand with stand light and ClearCom in central main-floor location for rehearsals as requested by Production Stage Manager
- -- Stagehand labor required to focus and run lighting, mix amplified sound, and rig screen. Projectionist to set and run projection, including switching of called images. (Soundman, lightboard operator, projectionist and other personnel involved in concert should be present at all rehearsals, including run-throughs.).
- -- 2 "now serving" [downstage left, downstage right or in house] number displays indicating to orchestra the current/next excerpt. Librarian (or other qualified person) follows along in script and advances numbers with remote when appropriate. Effect can be accomplished with laptop running PowerPoint and 2 monitors onstage in view of the musicians. We recommend this be operated by the same individual who operates music examples for non-orchestral rehearsals.
- -- 1 stand or podium (that can accommodate stand light if necessary) for narrator (actors hold folders/binders with script).
- -- Platform upstage right large enough to accommodate playing area for 3 actors plus pianist (approximate dimensions 12' x 12'); small platform to accommodate narrator upstage left; height to be determined for optimal sightlines
- -- Upright piano/bench
- -- Optional: 3 period chairs and table with tea set.
- -- Optional: Costumes for actors and pianist period attire for all actors and pianist including period dress/hair for actress.