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# GLORIANA

**BENJAMIN BRITTEN** (1913-76)

A stage production of The Royal Opera in co-production with Hamburg State Opera

Central to The Royal Opera's celebrations of the centenary of the birth of Benjamin Britten was Richard Jones's witty and insightful new production of *Gloriana*, written to honour the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II. The opera explores the last years of Queen Elizabeth I, focusing in particular on her troubled and complex relationship with the hot-headed young Earl of Essex. With powerful performances from a cast including Susan Bullock as Queen Elizabeth I and Toby Spence as the dashing but ultimately treacherous Essex, *Gloriana* is at once a celebration and a tragedy. Filmed in High Definition and recorded in true Surround Sound.

Sung in English with English, French, German, Japanese and Korean subtitles

Elizabeth I **SUSAN BULLOCK**  
Earl of Essex **TOBY SPENCE**  
Lord Mountjoy **MARK STONE**  
Sir Walter Raleigh **CLIVE BAYLEY**  
Sir Robert Cecil **JEREMY CARPENTER**  
Lady Rich **KATE ROYAL**  
Countess of Essex **PATRICIA BARDON**  
Blind Ballad-Singer **BRINDLEY SHERRATT**  
**ROYAL OPERA CHORUS**  
Chorus Director **RENATO BALSADONNA**  
Chorus Master for *Gloriana* **STEPHEN WESTROP**

**ORCHESTRA OF THE ROYAL OPERA HOUSE**  
Concert Master **PETER MANNING**

Conductor **PAUL DANIEL**  
Director **RICHARD JONES**  
Designs **ULTZ**  
Lighting design **MIMI JORDAN SHERIN**  
Choreography **LUCY BURGE**  
Directed for the screen by **ROBIN LOUGH**

Kate Royal appears courtesy of Warner Classics

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An Introduction to Benjamin Britten's *Gloriana*  
Britten's Aldeburgh  
Cast Gallery



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MUSIC



16:9 ANAMORPHIC

RUNNING TIME APPROX 163 MINUTES (OPERA); 13 MINUTES (BONUS)



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SUBTITLES: ENGLISH, FRANÇAIS, DEUTSCH, JAPANESE, KOREAN

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