

OPUS ARTE



THE METAMORPHOSIS

Choreographer/Director **ARTHUR PITA**
Music composed and performed by **FRANK MOON**

'It's unique and absurd ... timeless and universal.' So choreographer and director Arthur Pita describes Kafka's powerful novella *The Metamorphosis*, which has inspired this award-winning production for The Royal Ballet. Principal dancer Edward Watson won critical acclaim for his 'repellently brilliant' (*The Independent*) portrayal of Gregor Samsa's transformation into an insect, while the supporting cast vividly convey the conflicting reactions of Gregor's family. Frank Moon's dramatic score - performed live by the composer himself - and Simon Daw's austere designs complement this disturbing and compelling reinterpretation of Kafka's masterpiece. Filmed in High Definition and recorded in true Surround Sound.

Gregor Samsa **EDWARD WATSON**
Grete Samsa **LAURA DAY**
Mrs Samsa **NINA GOLDMAN**
Mr Samsa **NEIL REYNOLDS**
Maid/Coffee Lady/Dream Figure/
Bearded Man **BETTINA CARPI**
Train Conductor/Dream Figure/
Bearded Man **AMIR GILES**
Clerk/Dream Figure/Bearded Man **GREIG COOKE**

Designs **SIMON DAW**
Lighting design **GUY HOARE**
Producer **POPPY BEN-DAVID**
Assistant Choreographer **SCARLETT PERDEREAU**

Directed for the screen by **ROSS MacGIBBON**

EXTRA FEATURES

Introduction to *The Metamorphosis*
Bringing *The Metamorphosis* to Life
Cast Gallery

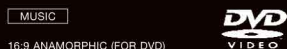
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