

Programme

Friday 22 June

Participants register from 3pm. Room allocations

6.00pm Evening meal

7.30pm *Rienzi* in Richard Wagner's Life & Work

Saturday 23 June

8.15am Breakfast

9.15am Edward Bulwer Lytton & Cola di Rienzo

11.00am Coffee break

11.30am The Overture

1.00pm Lunch, followed by free time

3.30pm Tea

4.00pm Analysis of Act I (1)

6.00pm Evening meal

7.30pm Analysis of Act I (2)

Sunday 24 June

8.15am Breakfast

9.15am Analysis of Act II (1)

11.00am Coffee break

11.30am The Pantomime

1.00pm Lunch, followed by free time

3.30pm Tea

4.00pm Analysis of Act II concluded

6.00pm Evening meal

7.30pm Analysis of Act III

Monday 25 June

8.15am Breakfast

9.15am Analysis of Act IV

11.00am Coffee break

11.30am Analysis of Act V (1)

1.00pm Lunch, followed by free time

3.30pm Tea

4.00pm Analysis of Act V concluded; Summing-up

6.00pm Evening meal

7.15pm Film of *Rienzi* Part I

8.40pm Interval with wine & nibbles

9.00pm Film of *Rienzi* Part II

Tuesday 26 June

Course disperses after breakfast

WAGNER SOCIETY OF SCOTLAND

A Study Weekend on *Rienzi*



**CARBERRY TOWER
NEAR MUSSELBURGH
EAST LoTHIAN**

22 – 26 June 2007

Richard Wagner's *Rienzi, The Last of the Tribunes* is his largest work: a 'grosse tragische Oper' in 5 acts. As well as the fascination of the dramatic subject, drawn from Henry Bulwer Lytton's novel, we'll discover a wealth of memorable melody and see how Wagner's handling of large forms is already assured in this his 3rd opera. The complex compositional and performance history of *Rienzi* will be unravelled, Lord Lytton's own fascinating life examined as well as that of the historical Rienzi, and the entire score will be analysed, aided by a full recording, piano illustrations and visual material. On the last evening we will watch the opera on film.

Carberry Tower is set in pleasant gardens, about 8 miles east of Edinburgh. It dates from the early 16th century, with later additions in Baronial style, and was mentioned first by monks of Dunfermline Abbey in the 11th century. Here Mary Queen of Scots finally surrendered herself to the rebels and began her 20 years imprisonment. The Elphinstone family were last to own the house; when Lady Elphinstone, a cousin of the late Queen Mother, died in the 1960s the property was gifted to the Church of Scotland to be used as a conference centre.

To get there by car: From Edinburgh City Bypass [A720] join the A1 [direction Berwick upon Tweed] and shortly exit on the A6094 [direction Dalkeith]. From the east on the A1 take the same exit. *By train:* Edinburgh Waverley is the nearest national station. From there, trains run hourly to the nearest local station, Wallyford, the journey taking 10 minutes. Please let us know if you wish to be collected from Wallyford station.

Fees and Deposits

The full residential course costs **£330** & includes 4 nights' dinner, bed & breakfast (accommodation in en-suite rooms), coffee & biscuits, lunch, tea & biscuits wine inclusive with dinner, full use of college facilities such as television room, library and other recreational facilities, the complete course as outlined overleaf and study material.

Non-Residents are welcome: the fee is **£180** (for the complete course and all meals, excluding breakfast).

A non-returnable deposit of **£80** per person is payable on booking. *The balance must be paid by 31st May.*

Study Material

All students should ideally follow a text and, if possible, a vocal score. **A copy of the full text in German & English will be reserved for you if you request it on the booking form.** A very few vocal scores will be available at Carberry. For additional suggestions for study material please see the entry in our Society Newsletter Vol 11 No 1 (February 2007).

Accommodation

is in single and twin en-suite bedrooms in two adjoining houses.