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CASTOR ET POLLUX RAMEAU (1683–1764)

Castor et Pollux is arguably Rameau's finest creation in the *tragédie lyrique* style. Its libretto, based in mythology, focuses on an unusual theme: the self-sacrificing love between Castor, who is mortal, and his immortal brother, Pollux. When Castor is killed while defending his beloved Télair from an attempted abduction, Pollux resolves to give up his immortality and take Castor's place in the Underworld. After passionate debate over who will live and who will die, the brothers are eternally united, transformed into the constellation Gemini. The strikingly luminous sets, depicting a stylized version of the constellation, give this fabulous production, staged by Pierre Audi and conducted by Christophe Rousset, a glorious 21st-century baroque look.

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

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MUSIC

16/9 ANAMORPHIC

DVD
VIDEO

RUNNING TIME APPROX 155 MINUTES



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Recorded and mastered for DVD in stereo and surround sound.

1 x DVD 9 double layer disc (the feature may experience a slight pause upon layer change), 1 x DVD 5.

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LES TALENS LYRIQUES

CHORUS OF DE NEDERLANDSE OPERA

Stage Director PIERRE AUDI

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