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## DOCTOR ATOMIC JOHN ADAMS (1947-)

*Doctor Atomic* concerns itself with the work of J. Robert Oppenheimer and his team of scientists at the test site of the first atomic bomb outside Los Alamos, New Mexico during the lead-up to the first detonation. As Zero Hour relentlessly approaches and conditions become less and less favourable, individual tensions build feverishly, and Oppenheimer and his staff struggle with the moral implications of their work on 'the Gadget', and the strong possibility of global annihilation.

Recorded in High Definition video and true surround sound, John Adams' fascinating, overwhelming score and Peter Sellars' forceful staging (and TV direction) portray Oppenheimer, exquisitely sung by Gerald Finley, as a profoundly troubled man, at odds with himself but moving inexorably forward, representative of the great ethical dilemmas of humanity itself.

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

Commissioned by San Francisco Opera.  
Co-production of San Francisco Opera, Lyric Opera of Chicago and De Nederlandse Opera.

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