

# Anna Karenina

### … ⇒ BALLET 2014

Ballet in two acts after the novel by Lev Tolstoy

Music: Rodion Shchedrin

**Choreography:** Alexei Ratmansky **Musical direction:** Valery Gergiev

FILMED AT Mariinsky Theatre, St Petersburg

March 2014

**TV DIRECTOR** Vincent Massip

**RUNNING TIME 1X90'** 











**HDTV** 



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#### **ARTISTIC INFORMATION**

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Anna Karenina is the tragic story of a married aristocrat/socialite and her affair with the affluent Count Vronsky. The story starts when she arrives in the midst of a family broken up by her brother's unbridled womanizing — something that prefigures her own later situation, though she would experience less tolerance by others. A bachelor, Vronsky is eager to marry her if she would agree to leave her husband Karenin, a government official, but she is vulnerable to the pressures of Russian social norms, her own insecurities, and Karenin's indecision. Although Vronsky and Anna go to Italy, where they can be together, they have trouble making friends. Back in Russia, she is shunned, becoming further isolated and anxious, while Vronsky pursues his social life. Despite Vronsky's reassurances, she grows increasingly possessive and paranoid about his imagined infidelity, fearing loss of control.

#### **Performers**

Ulyana Lopatkina	Anna Karenina
Victor Baranov	Alexei Karenin
Andrei Ermakov	Count Vronsky
Svetlana Ivanova	Princess Shcherbatskaya (Kitty)
Dmitry Pykhachov	Stepan Oblonsky (Steve)
Xenia Ostreikovskaya	Daria Oblonskaya (Dolly)
Filipp Stepin	Konstantin Levin
Sofia Gumerova	Princess Betsy
Mariinsky Theatre Ballet and Orchestra	•

#### **A**RTISTIC STAFF

Musical Direction: Valery Gergiev Choreographer: Alexei Ratmansky Sets and Costumes: Mikael Melbye

**Graphic / Video designer:** Wendall Harrington

Lighting: Jørn Melin

**Dramaturgy:** Martin Tulinius

Assistant Choreographer: Tatiana Ratmanskaya

#### **PRODUCTION**

PRODUCTION COMPANIES Telmondis, Mariinsky Theatre, in association with Mezzo, with the participation of France Télévisions and the support of the CNC

ASSOCIATE PRODUCERS Antoine Perset – Denis Morlière

#### **DISTRIBUTION**

VIDEO FORMAT HDCAM, Digibeta, stereo sound and dolby 5.1

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