

Gioachino ROSSINI (1792-1868)

La pietra del paragone (The Touchstone)

Melodramma giocoso in Two Acts

Libretto by Luigi Romanelli

La Marchesa Clarice **Agata Bienkowska**
widow, shrewd and kind-hearted, who aspires to the hand of Count Asdrubale

La Baronessa Aspasia **Anna Rita Gemmabella**

Donna Fulvia **Anke Herrmann**
rivals of the above, not for love, but for self-interest

Il Conte Asdrubale **Raffaele Costantini**
rich gentleman, reluctant to take a wife, not through a positive aversion to marriage, but for the supposed difficulty to find a good woman

Il Cavalier Giocondo **Alessandro Codeluppi**
poet, friend of the Count and a modest lover of the Marchesa Clarice, his love unreturned

Macrobio, skilled journalist, presumptuous and venal **Dariusz Machej**

Pacuvio, an ignorant poet **Gioacchino Zarrelli**

Fabrizio, majordomo and confidant of the Count **Teru Yoshihara**

Male Chorus of gardeners, guests, huntsmen, soldiers

Czech Chamber Chorus (Pavel Baxa, Chorus master)

Czech Chamber Soloists, Brno (Ivan Matyás, Concert master)

Alessandro de Marchi, Conductor and Harpsichord

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