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If you have never experienced Richard Wagner's RING CYCLE "properly" ...
which means: live, over a full week ... in a single immersive location ...

or ... if it has been some time since you saw your last RING CYCLE
and you would like to experience an intelligent production
which has been described as mercifully "restrained" and "clear" ...

in one of the world's most culture-crammed and fascinating cities
which has one of the most legendary opera houses
with some of the best acoustics in the world.

CONDUCTOR :	Christian Thielemann
Orchestra :	Staatskapelle Dresden
DIRECTOR :	Willy Decker



THE DRESDEN "RING" CYCLE
Saturday 4th to Saturday 11th FEBRUARY 2023
deadline for registrations - 22 August 2022

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if you have never had “the full RING experience” –

you will no doubt have a whole host of questions – so we need to talk.

I have experienced more than a dozen cycles - *I gave up around 2000* -
so I have lots of tips and suggestions that might be useful for you.

and if you are a certified “RING HEAD” -

You know what a life-enhancing tonic and insightful epiphany a RING experience can be.

Dresden was (and now is, once again) considered to be “the Florence of the North”.

It was the royal capital of Saxony – and has some of the greatest museums and art collections in Europe, including the GREEN VAULT (jewelry and decorative arts museum) and the GEMÄLDEGALERIE (the art gallery of old masters) - and also the astonishing PORCELAIN MUSEUM in the Zwinger (royal compound).

The city was cruelly reduced to ashes by the firestorm of 1945 – but many of its greatest treasures were hidden away and protected. The great palaces and churches – including the Catholic ROYAL COURT CATHEDRAL and the protestant FRAUENKIRCHE – have been lovingly rebuilt. They often host orchestral and vocal concerts.

Dresden is the city where FRIEDRICH SCHILLER, CARL MARIA von WEBER and RICHARD WAGNER grew up – and its opera house was the favoured location for many premieres of operas by RICHARD STRAUSS.

For automobile buffs, Dresden is home of Volkswagen’s famously iconic GLASS TRANSPARENT FACTORY where you used to be able to see the assembly of their luxury “Phaeton”, but where now you can see production of their new electric cars.

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The **SEMPER OPERA HOUSE, DRESDEN**

is Barbara's favourite opera house.
It is both sumptuous and intimate – just 1,300 seats.

It was designed by the great architect Gottfried Semper in 1841, destroyed by fire in 1869, rebuilt in 1878, destroyed by the Allied firestorm of 1945, reopened in 1985, flooded by the Elbe in 2002, and triumphantly reopened in 2003.

It was here that Wagner first performed his
RIENZI, the **FLYING DUTCHMAN**, and **TANNHÄUSER**.

Here also Richard Strauss first performed his
FEUERSNOT, **SALOME**, **ELEKTRA**, Der **ROSENKAVALIER**,
INTERMEZZO, Die **ÄGYPTISCHE HELENA**, **ARABELLA**,
Die **SCHWIEGSAME FRAU** and **DAPHNE**.



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Bernardo Bellotto – *nephew of Canaletto*
view of the River Elbe and Dresden c.1750
National Gallery of Ireland

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FRIDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2023

independent flights to DRESDEN (lots of options)

SATURDAY 4th FEBRUARY 2023

arrive in Dresden

check into the **DRESDEN HILTON** for 7 nights

SUNDAY 5th FEBRUARY 2023

5 pm

“DAS RHEINGOLD”

MONDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2023

4 pm

“DIE WALKÜRE”

TUESDAY 7th FEBRUARY 2023

visit to **LEIPZIG**

WEDNESDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2023

4 pm

“SIEGFRIED”

THURSDAY 9th FEBRUARY 2023

visit to **MEISSEN**

FRIDAY 10th FEBRUARY 2023

4 pm

“GÖTTERDÄMMERUNG”

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then, to register,

please send your deposit

with

the booking form (see website) to ...

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Please use the BOOKING FORM on my WEBSITE

Please note deadline: Friday 26th AUGUST 2022

\$ 5,595 USD (sharing) – single supplement \$ 795 USD

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