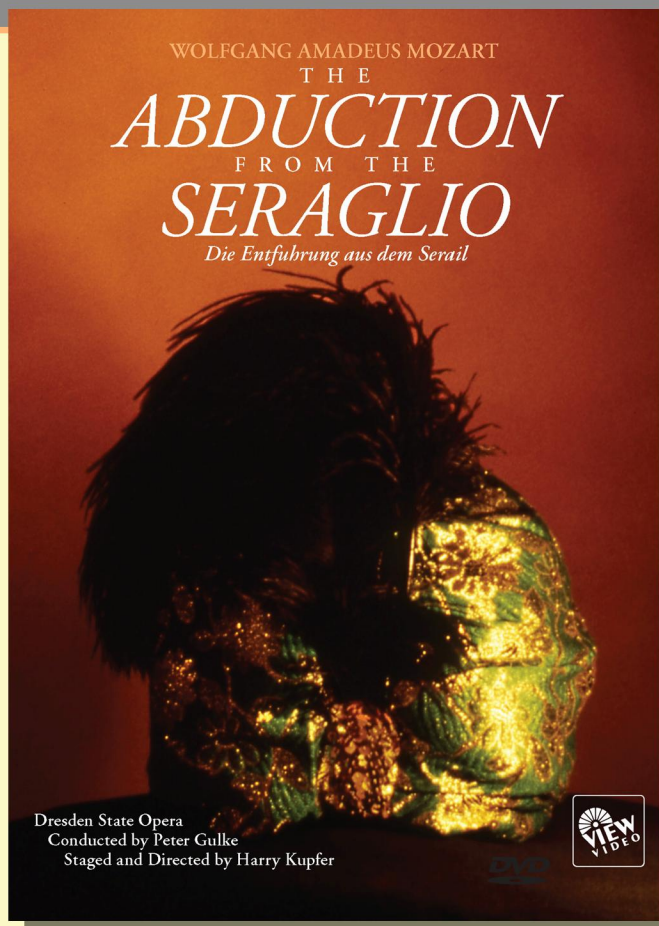




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## Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

# THE ABDUCTION FROM THE SERAGLIO

## Die Entführung aus dem Serail

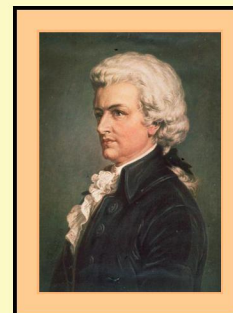
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Starring:

Armin Uhde, Carolyn Smith-Meyer,  
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Mozart was 26 years of age when he composed *The Abduction from the Seraglio*, during one of the most contented periods of his life. Very much in love with Constanze Weber, he named his opera's heroine in honor of his beloved and married her just three weeks after the premiere.

Mozart's adoration of Weber is unabashedly represented in the music, which is considered some of his most renowned and vibrant. It includes one of the most famous coloratura soprano arias, "*Martern aller arten (Torture me and flay me)*," in which the heroine defies the Pasha's advances despite certain torture and death for rejecting him.



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This entertaining production is beautifully staged and perfectly sung by the Dresden State Opera, conducted by Peter Gulke. V.I.E.W. is proud to present this Mozart classic on DVD, featuring the famed music and stirring dramatization that showcase the opera masterpiece's triumphant originality.

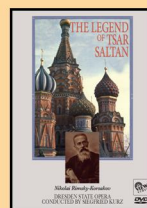
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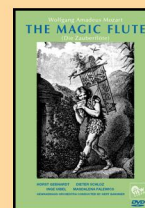
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