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| **Across****2.** Written in the Nazi concentration camp Theresienstadt and not performed until 1975.**4.** Often considered to be the first genuine English-language operatic masterwork.**9.** Noted for the richness of its orchestration.**14.** Both this work and Ariodante were part of Handel's first opera season at Covent Garden.**15.** Composed when Mozart was 14 and written for a demanding cast of star singers.[**16.** Poulenc's major opera is set in a convent during the French Revolution.**18.** First all-Italian opera performed on the London stage.**19.** Tippett's second opera, set to another of his own "recondite" libretti,[212] was inspired by Homer's Iliad.**20.** A landmark in the history of British opera, this work marked Britten's arrival on the international music scene**21.** A short Zemlinsky opera inspired by a work by Oscar Wilde.**22.** This opera stands out among Rossini's output for its frequent ensembles and absence of aria.**23.** Rameau's first opera caused great controversy at its premiere.**24.** This Christmas story was the first opera specifically written for television. | **Down****1.** Both this opera and Alcina enjoy high critical reputations today**3.** Gluck's most popular opera**5.** A comic opera based on a play by Ben Jonson.**6.** Puccini's last opera was left unfinished at his death.**7.** One of the first of Cavalli's operas to be revived in the 20th century.**8.** Britten's comic opera is heavily based upon use of the ensemble.**10.** Last of three that Haydn set to libretti by Carlo Goldoni.**11.** An early Rossini work, this opera is outright farsa comica.**12.** Often rated as Vaughan Williams's finest opera, this short, fatalistic tragedy is set on the Aran Isles in the west of Ireland.**13.** Gluck's "last and perhaps greatest masterpiece".**17.** Widely regarded as the first operatic masterwork. |