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 **La Juive (review)**

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REVIEW

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Eléazar: Richard Tucker

Ambrosian Singers

Rachel: Yasuko Hayashi

Anton Guadagno, conductor

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New Philharmonia Orchestra	
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Rachel: Marisa Galvany	Knud Andersson, conductor
Princess Eudoxie: Rita Shane	Live performance, 18 October 1973?
Léopold: Gene Bullard	Historical Recording Enterprises hre 212-3
Cardinal Brogni: Paul Plishka	(3 LPs)
Eléazar: José Carreras	Vienna State Opera Orchestra and Chorus
Rachel: Ilona Tokody	Gerd Albrecht, conductor
Princess Eudoxie: Sonia Ghazarian	Live performance, 26 January 1981
Léopold: Chris Merritt	House of Opera (houseofopera.com) cd108
Cardinal Brogni: Cesare Siepi	(3 CDs)
Eléazar: José Carreras	Philharmonia Orchestra
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Princess Eudoxie: June	Anderson Antonio de Almeida, conductor
Léopold: Dalmacio Gonzales	Philips (distributed by Universal Classics)
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Cardinal Brogni: Bonaldo Giaiotti	

Excerpt compilation

Eléazar: Enrico Caruso, Pierre Lamy, Max Lorenz, Joseph Mann, Louis Morisson, Jan Peerce, Augusto Scampini, José de Trevi, César Vezzani
Rachel: Cecilia David, Amelia Pinto, Rosa Ponselle, Dorothy Sarnoff
Léopold: Pierre Lamy
Cardinal Brogni: Nazzareno de Angelis, Richard Mayr, Francesco Navarini, Juste Nivette, Paul Payan, Ezio Pinza
Malibran-Music (distributed by Qualiton) cdrg 144 (1 CD)

Richard Wagner would have had no reason to apologize for his anti-Semitism in an age when that kind of prejudice was all too common, but I can't help wondering whether he ever declared that some of his favorite operas were Jewish.

Wagner proclaimed his antipathy to Jewish musicians in the essay "Das Judenthum in der Musik," published in 1850 and again, after some revisions, in 1869. Nonetheless, he greatly admired an opera by a (nominally) Jewish composer that boldly proclaimed its identity in its very title: *La Juive* (The Jewess) by Jacques-François-Fromental-Elie Halévy, born Fromental Elias Levy. Wagner indulged in hoary stereotype when he wrote that Halévy was, "like all the Paris composers of our time, only inspired with enthusiasm for his art so long as success was still to be won; once that was achieved and he was safely ranged with the lions of the world of composition, all he thought of further was to manufacture operas, and to pocket the money."¹ However, he paid Halévy a back-handed compliment (and smeared a different Jewish composer at the same time) by describing him as "frank and honest; no sly, deliberate swindler like [Giacomo] Meyerbeer."² Wagner could also offer untempered praise. He admired in *La Juive* "the pathos of high lyric tragedy"³ and "drew attention to Halévy's sense of historical period, achieved without recourse to mock-antique devices: 'For my part,' he wrote, 'I have never heard dramatic music which has transported me so completely to a particular historical epoch.'"⁴ In 1842, seven years after *La Juive*'s historic premiere at the Paris Opéra, Wagner published three very long articles in *La Revue et Gazette Musicale*, lauding the composer for putting French opera on a creative new path. In addition, Cosima Wagner's diary reveals that in his last years "he kept a score...

death scene from *Boris* and "Son lo spirito che nega" from *Mefistofele*. But listen to his Catalogue Aria, recorded with the Rome RAI Orchestra under Alfredo Simonetto in 1961. There's the stunningly powerful, uniquely focused voice we know from his Boris; but there's also tremendous comic verve and energy. Don Giovannis often fear being upstaged by their Leporellos; with Christoff in the wings such eclipse must have seemed like a dead certainty.

Roger Parker

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