**ADG-EUROPE presents TNT BRITAIN in:** 



## 05.03.2018 ROSSANO

## **Teatro San Marco**

## 09h00 & 11h15

Entrance fee: 11/10euro

DIDACTIC MATERIAL AVAILABLE FOR FREE

Native English Speaking actors - English Theatre for students

Live Music - Length: 90min

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## Oliver Twist - by Charles Dickens

Adapted for the stage by P. Stebbings & P.Smith Directed by Eric Tessier-Lavigne & P.Stebbings Music/Songs Tom Johnson

Oliver Twist has been described as the first modern novel. It is one of the few novels whose characters have entered into modern muth-Fagin, Bill, Nancy and the Artful Dodger can claim to be some of the best known literary creations outside of Shakespeare. The enormous energy of these characters and the full-blooded portrait of the first modern urban nightmare, London, make the story not only exciting and dramatic, but also truly contemporary. The themes and social issues raised by Dickens are as relevant today as when it was first published over one hundred and fifty years ago. The central theme is the link between poverty and crime. Beyond that it explores the way society treats its weakest members. Dickens' style is highly theatrical, and indeed he himself gave dramatic readings of much of OLIVER TWIST to huge audiences in Britain and the USA. Dickens' style switches between the almost documentary to the comic, from action packed narrative to emotional drama. TNT sweeps away the sentimentality of so many versions and present the story through the eyes of Fagin as he stands on the gallows awaiting execution. The story is his last attempt at justifying his life of crime. The audience too must answer if he was indeed at fault. Is he a criminal or a victim? Does he care for his boy thieves or does he exploit them?

"Stebbings' production gives students like Ko a chance to appreciate theater that is both entertaining and thought- provoking." The Japan Times – Oliver Twist (in Japan)

"TNT has explored the novel through music. Thomas Johnson created the original music for the play" from Shangai Daily.com – Oliver Twist (in China)

"These brilliant actors gave a stunning performance" – Oliver Twist (UK Tour)

"TNT's Oliver Twist was exactly what theatre should be – engaging, dynamic and consequently edifying and unmissable" – "The choreography (...) was a defing factor in the success of the performance- Oliver Twist (Malta)

All in all a poignant, classically performed and very well acted performance. Barbara Achermann – Oliver Twist (Switzerland)