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OPERAS AND BALLETS

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ANYUTA (A BALLET)  1982 68 min. (VHS)
Music by: Valery Gavrilin
Starring: Ekaterina Maximova, Vladimir Vasilev, Gali Abaidulov, Dzon Markovsky
An adaptation of Chekhov's "Anna Round the Neck," this ballet is a story of a young woman who marries a rich but indifferent husband eventually to find admirers crowding at her feet.

BORIS GODUNOV With English Subtitles: 1978 181 min. (VHS)
Music: Modest Mussorgsky
Performed by: The Bolshoi Opera, starring Yevgeni Nesterenko

KHOVANSHCHINA With English Subtitles, 2 Vols. 173 min. 2 1989 (VHS)
Music: Modest Mussorgsky
Orchestration by Dmitri Shostakovich; Final Scene by Igor Stravinsky
Performed by Vienna State Opera; conducted by Claudio Abbado
Starring: Nakolai Ghiaurov, Vladimir Atlantov, Yuri Marusin, Ludmila Semtschuk
Set in the time when Peter the Great became tsar, political intrigue, religious persecution and the tragedy of a nation form the backdrop against which intense personal dramas are played out.

LADY MACBETH OF MTSENSK With English Subtitles 236 minutes 2006 (DVD)
Music: Dmitri Shostakovich
Performed by: Chorus of De Nederlandise Opera, Royal Concertgebouw Orchestra
Cast: Christopher Ventris, Eva-Maria Westbroek, Vladimir Vaneev, Carole Wilson, Ludovit Ludha
Shostakovich’s musically brilliant and ingeniously panoramic opera about love, lust, power and oppression is fabulously well played by the Concertgebouw Orchestra under Mariss Jansons in this authoritative production.

THE LITTLE HUMPBACKED HORSE 1988 85 min. (VHS)
Music: Rodion Shchedrin
Script and Choreography: Alexander Radunsky
Performed by: The Bolshoi Ballet
Starring: Maya Plisetskaya, Vladimir Vasiliev, Alexander Radunsky, Annya Scherbinina
A magical tour through the land of flying horses, dancing fish, and tumbling clowns.

PARIS DANCES DIAGHILEV  1990 84 min. (VHS)
Paris Opera Ballet performs four works of the Ballet Russes - Petrouchka, Le Spectre de la Rose, L'Apres-midi d'un Faune, and Noces - recreated in their original sets, costumes and choreography as tribute to Sergei Pavlovich Diaghilev.

PRINCE IGOR  1972 110 min. (VHS)
Director: Roman Tikhomirov
Cast: B. Khmelnitsky; V. Kiniavyev; N. Pshennaya
Borodin’s epic opera sung by the Kirov. Lenfilm.
RAYMONDA 146 min. (VHS)
Music: Alexander Glazunov
Performed by: Bolshoi Ballet
Starring: Ludmila Semenyaka, Irek Moukhamedov, Gedeminas Taranda

QUEEN OF SPADES 1983 174 min. (VHS)
Music: Peter Tchaikovsky
Performed by: Bolshoi Opera
Starring: Vladimir Atlantov, Tamara Malashkina, Elena Obratsova

THE STORY OF THE KIROV BALLET 1997 52 min. (VHS) ***Located in the Russian Documentaries***
A visual history of the famous ballet company, featuring profiles and performance footage of legendary stars Anna Pavlova, Galina Ulanova, and Mikhail Baryshnikov.

LES SYLPHIDES (CHOPINIANA) 1987 34 min. (VHS)
Choreographer: Mikhail Fokine; Orchestration: Alexander Glazunov
Performed by: Bolshoi Ballet
Starring: Natalia Bessmertnova, Alexandre Beogatyrov, Galina Kozlova, Irian Kholina
Inspired by the 1905 visit of Isadora Duncan, Fokine took the music of Chopin and created Chopiniana (later renamed Les Sylphides).

THE TSAR'S BRIDE 1966 97 min. (VHS) *** Located in Russia/FSU Feature Films***
Director: Vladimir Gorikker
Cast: Raissa Nedashkovskaya, Natalya RudnayaOtar Koberidze, Pyotr Glebov
A cinematic production of Rimsky-Korsakov's opera using the actors and singers of the Bolshoi Opera and Theater. It tells the story of a beautiful young girl who is chosen against her will by Tsar Ivan the Terrible to be his wife.