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Aida 2:30

Admission \$3 (Senior Citizens: \$1)

Verdi's opera was filmed during a performance at the Theatre Antique (The Roman Theater) in Orange, France in July 1976. This highly lauded production is marvelously translated to the screen by Pierre Jourdan. The story of an Ethiopian princess' love for an Egyptian general in the age of the pharaohs stars Gilda Cruz Romo as Aida, Grace Bumbry as Amneris and Peter Gougalov as Radames. The ancient Roman Theater is photographed in its sweeping grandeur, the spacious stage imaginatively employed. Aida was produced by Stephane Tchalgadjieff (see Les Enfants du Placard, January 5).

• Directed by Pierre Jourdan. Produced by Daniele Gegauff and Stephane Tchalgadjieff. Written by Aline Lecomte from Giuseppe Verdi's Aida. Photographed by Jean-Pierre Lazar. Music performed by the Orchestra and Chorus, Lirico di Torino, under the direction of Thomas Schippers. With Gilda Cruz Romo, Grace Bumbry, Peter Gougalov, Ingvar Vixell, Agostino Ferrin, Luigi Roni. (1976, 165 mins, In Italian, Color, Print from Stephane Tchalgadjieff and Corrinne Mann)