

**TOBIAS PICKER** FANTASTIC MR. FOX [1065]  
LIBRETTO BY DONALD STURROCK

**BOSTON MODERN ORCHESTRA PROJECT**  
GIL ROSE, CONDUCTOR

*Boggis, Bunce, and Bean! One fat, one short, one lean!  
These horrible crooks so different in looks were all of  
them equally mean!*

Tobias Picker's family opera *Fantastic Mr. Fox*, based on the Roald Dahl tale, sees the cunning Mr. Fox in a battle of wits for his life and for chickens with a trio of conniving farmers. Baritone John Brancy (Mr. Fox) is joined by a cast of world-class singers that includes Krista River as Mrs. Fox, Elizabeth Futral as Miss Hedgehog, and Andrew Craig Brown, Edwin Vega, and Gabriel Preisser as the trio of malevolent farmers, Boggis, Bunce, and Bean.



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