Week 7: Czech In

1. While most recognized for his symphonic and chamber works, this composer actually wrote nine operas, one of which was going to make its premiere in 2020. Who is this composer?

2. This opera is often called the “Moravian national opera” and was written by a composer that came after Dvořák. What is the opera and the composer?

3. This composer of The Bartered Bride is often called the “father of Czech music” as he developed the musical style that became closely identified with the country’s aspirations for independent statehood. Who is this composer?

4. Czech mezzo-soprano, Magdalena Kožená, a winner of the Gramophone Artist of the Year, had her Metropolitan debut as Cherubino in Le Nozze di Figaro in 2003, but was seen as what famous “pants role” in Der Rosenkavalier this 19/20 Met season?

5. This well-known Austrian-Bohemian composer never wrote an opera, however his works for voice and orchestra like Das Lied von der Erde are fan favorites. He was also one of the most recognized conductors of the genre becoming the conductor of the Metropolitan Opera in the early 1900’s, debuting with Wagner’s Tristan und Isolde. Who is he?