All-signing, all-dancing

At the Coliseum, English National Opera gave the world stage premiere of a ‘Passion oratorio’ by the American composer John Adams. The Gospel According to the Other Mary (2002), to a two-act libretto compiled by the director, Peter Sellars, had its European premiere in an ambitious concert production by the director, Peter Sellars, which Sellars recently staged for the Berlin Philharmonic. Bach, however, conventionally, is telling a good story, where Sellars’s eclectic and explicitly feminist version of Gospel events — an amalgam of biblical episodes and musical narratives from 18th-century Scottish and English National Operas, and the Gospels according to the Other Mary (2002) — is more of a musical comedy than a drama.

THE CRITICS

An apothecary of touchy-feely

The Gospel According to the Other Mary

Festival — ending this afternoon with a concert in which the Aldeghi Quartet (celebrating its 40th anniversary) is, remarkably, offering all seven of the featured composer’s works — is a touching and moving experience for both the performers and the audience.

The performance space named after that river, for a survey of Early English Experimental music given by the Edge Ensemble, then, in the atmospheric medieval hall, the temple of the saxophonist Evan Parker’s Twelve for Twelve Musicians.

Occasionally, but not often, the floor, the top of the stage and the outside entrance of the Hepworth, members of Edges realised evocative, conceptually intricate music inspired from the 1970s by figures such as Christopher H Cobb (his One Note Nine) required a pair of players to

It’s a big and driven statement

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