Alban Berg: Wozzeck

The course is in preparation for the MET Opera’s HD live transmission of “Wozzeck” on January 11.

Course dates and time:
Tuesdays, Nov. 19, 26, Dec. 3, 10, 17;
9:30 – 11:00 AM  $45
Instructor: Louis Mainelli

At the premiere of Buchner’s play “Woyzeck,” Alban Berg exclaimed “someone should write an opera about this.” Thus began the composition of Berg’s “Wozzeck” - a seminal work and a masterpiece of the early 20th century. An opera that is simultaneously exciting, beautiful, harrowing and painfully insightful, it is the story of the devastating effects of a have/have not society – not unlike our contemporary society – on the life of one man. Informed by the recent advent of Freudian psychoanalysis, Berg brings us into the heart and mind of that broken man.

Visit metopera.org for more information on viewing the live HD production on January 11.