

## La virtute sol potea

Chorus from the opera *Serse*

Libretto adapted from *Serse* by *Silvio Stampiglia* (1664–1725) which was based on an earlier libretto by *Niccolò Minato* (1627–1698)

Set by *Georg Friedrich Händel* (1685–1759)

*(Serse has built a bridge out of adjoining boats linking Asia to Europe on the Hellespont.)*

<b>La</b>	<b>virtute</b>	<b>sol</b>	<b>potea</b>
[la	vir.'tu:.te	so:l	po.'te:.a]

The	power/force	alone	could
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*(Only great ability could)*

giunger l'Asia all'altra riva.

Viva Serse, viva, v'va!

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*Thank you!*

