

### “Death in Venice: From Film to Opera

“Death in Venice”, written by written as a short story by Thomas Mann, became a powerful film by Luchino Visconti in 1971. In 1973 the British composer, Benjamin Britten, wrote an opera version in English. In these 5 weeks we won’t have time to read the book together but we will have time to watch the movie, starring Dirk Bogart, and watch the opera, recorded live (and in English) at La Fenice Opera in Venice. I was in the opera house for this 2008 performance, conducted by Bruno Bartoletti. This is a very powerful production!