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TCG Publishes Third Title in Classic Russian Drama Series:

*The Cherry Orchard* by Anton Chekhov

Translated by Richard Nelson, Richard Pevear, and Larissa Volokhonsky

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Richard Pevear and Larissa Volokhonsky have translated the works of Leo Tolstoy, Fyodor Dostoevsky, Nikolai Gogol, Boris Pasternak, and Mikhail Bulgakov. Their translations of *The Brothers Karamazov* and *Anna Karenina* won the PEN Translation Prize in 1991 and 2002, respectively. Pevear, a native of Boston, and Volokhonsky, of St. Petersburg, are married and live in France.
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