



## ***GILLIAN HOLLIS, SOPRANO***

American Soprano Gillian Hollis has been described as “**bright voiced...with remarkably clear diction and a strong sense of drama**” (Star-Ledger), “**simply outstanding**” (Encore Michigan), and possessing “**great flexibility and poise-filled musicality**” (Sequenza21).

**Most recently Ms. Hollis has graced the stages of Michigan’s Opera Grand Rapids as Kathie in their production of Romberg’s The Student Prince and Illinois’ Martin Theatre where a season’s worth of touring with Opera for the Young’s production of The Magic Flute by Mozart as the Queen of the Night culminated in her Ravinia Music Festival debut. During the 2016-17 season she will return to Madison, Wisconsin’s Opera for the Young for another season of touring, this time as Adina in Donizetti’s The Elixir of Love, followed by a world premiere performance of The Gleam by Dale Trumbore with CHAI Collaborative Ensemble of Chicago this coming spring.**

In previous seasons Ms. Hollis played Beauty in **Opera for the Young’s Beauty and the Beast (2014-15)**, Guilette in **Chicago Folks Operetta’s The Ball at the Savoy (2014-15)**, Sister Lillianne in **Madison Opera’s Dead Man Walking (2013-14)**, Lauretta in **Ashlawn Opera’s Gianni Schicchi**, Adele in **Northwestern University’s Die Fledermaus (2012)**, Queen of the Night in **Northwestern University’s The Magic Flute (2011)** and covered the role of Marie in **Madison Opera’s La Fille du Régiment** where she was a young artist for the 2013-14 season.

Notable awards for Ms. Hollis include **First Place in the Classical Singer Magazine National Competition and the Virginia Maier Cooper Award through the Musician’s Club of Women, Chicago**. She is a two-time finalist in **Union League Civic and Arts Foundation’s Annual vocal competition**, a **Chicago NATS first place winner**, and a winner of the **Northwestern University Annual Concerto Competition**. Ms. Hollis holds a **Master of Music in Vocal Performance and Operatic Literature from Northwestern University**, a **Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance from University of Maryland**, and currently studies with Sunny Joy Langton.



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## Opera

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Adina	<i>The Elixir of Love</i>	Opera for the Young	2016
Kathie	<i>The Student Prince</i>	Opera Grand Rapids	2016
Queen of the Night	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	Opera for the Young	2016
Beauty	<i>Beauty and the Beast</i>	Opera for the Young	2014-15
Guillette	<i>The Ball at the Savoy</i>	Chicago Folks Operetta	2014
Sister Lilliane	<i>Dead Man Walking</i>	Madison Opera	2014
Marie(c)	<i>La Fille du Régiment</i>	Madison Opera	2014
Queen of the Night(c)	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Ash Lawn Opera	2012
Lauretta	<i>Gianni Schicchi</i>	Ash Lawn Opera	2012
Adele	<i>Die Fledermaus</i>	Northwestern University School of Music	2012
Despina	<i>Cosí Fan Tutte</i>	Ash Lawn Opera	2012
Queen of the Night	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	Northwestern University School of Music	2011
Queen of the Night (c)	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	Verismo Opera Company	2011
Daisy	<i>Daisy</i>	Young Patronesses of the Opera	2010
Papagena	<i>Papageno (Diack)</i>	Florida Grand In-School Opera Program	2010
Gilda	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Gold Coast Opera Singers	2010
Rosina	<i>Il Barbiere di Siviglia</i>	Gold Coast Opera Singers	2010
First Lady	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Maryland Opera Studio Workshop	2009
Blöndchen	<i>Die Entführung aus dem Serail</i>	Maryland Opera Studio Workshop	2009
Norina	<i>Don Pasquale</i>	Maryland Opera Studio Workshop	2008
Olympia	<i>Les contes d'Hoffmann</i>	Maryland Opera Studio Workshop	2008

## Concert & Oratorio

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<i>Missa brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo</i> , Haydn	Chicago Chamber Orchestra	2015
<i>Award Winner Concert Series</i>	Musicians Club of Women Chicago	2013, 2015
<i>Music Festival Under the Stars</i>	Main Street Opera	2013
<i>Celebrations</i>	Main Street Opera	2013
<i>An Afternoon at the Opera</i>	North Shore Choral Society	2013
<i>Puccini to Broadway</i>	Gold Coast Opera	2012
<i>Requiem</i> , Brahms (c)	Northwestern University School of Music	2011
<i>St. John Passion</i>	Fourth Presbyterian Church	2011
<i>Requiem</i> , Fauré	The Maryland Chorus	2009



# ***GILLIAN HOLLIS, SOPRANO***

## **Recordings**

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*Snow White Turns Sixty: Hollis Sings Trumbore*                      Dissonant Gorgeous Productions                      2011

## **Awards**

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Classical Singer Vocal Competition	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2012
Chicago Collegiate NATS Competition	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	2012
Union League Civic & Arts Foundation	Finalist	2011, 2012
Musicians Club of Women Chicago	Winner Virginia Cooper Meier Award	2011
Northwestern U. Concerto Competition	Winner	2011
Chicago Collegiate NATS Competition	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	2011
Bel Canto Foundation	Salvy Monastero Memorial Award, Bella Voce Award	2011

## **Teachers**

Sunny Joy Langton  
Dominic Cossa  
Pamela Hinchman

## **Coaches**

Clinton Smith  
Sharon Peterson  
Alan Darling

## **Directors**

Michael Ehrman  
David Lefkovich  
Kristine McIntyre

## **Conductors**

John DeMain  
Dean Williamson  
Steven Jarvi

## **Education/Training**

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Madison Opera Young Artist	2013-2014
Ash Lawn Opera Young Artist	2012
Master of Music in Vocal Performance and Operatic Literature, Northwestern University	2012
Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance, University of Maryland School of Music	2009
University of Miami Frost School of Music at Salzburg College	2007

## **Related Experience & Skills**

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Basic Ballroom, Basic Modern Dance, Homemade Truffles



MIA Artists Management

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