

# CHRISTINE LYONS, SOPRANO

Praised as "especially moving" by the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, soprano Christine Lyons enthralls her audiences in Europe and America with her fearless presence and creative approach. This season, Lyons sings Echo (Ariadne auf Naxos) with Berkshire Opera Festival, will reprise Mimí (La Bohème) with Opera Long Island, will join the Hawaii Performing Arts Festival as Donna Anna (Don Giovanni) and be featured as the Soprano Soloist in Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 under the baton of Marin Alsop.

In the 2015-16 season, Lyons made her Kennedy Center debut and sung Fiordiligi in Mozart's *Così fan tutte* both with Peabody Opera and the Charleston Symphony Orchestra, Mimí (*La Bohème*) at the Peabody Institute, and Frasquita (*Carmen*) alongside Denyce Graves. Other notable past performances include Manon (*Manon*) at the Liederkranz Foundation, Manon (*Manon*) at Carnegie Hall, Konstanze (*Die Entführung*) at Symphony Space, Konstanze (*Die Entführung*) at the Modell Lyric Opera House, Pamina (*Die Zauberflöte*) at Sant'Anna dei Lombardi in Naples, Italy, and Susannah (*Le Nozze di Figaro*) at Lincoln Center.

Appearing extensively in music theater, Lyons performed in a national tour of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, and has also portrated Sheila (*A Chorus Line*), Alice's Daughter (*Big River*), GiGi (*Miss Saigon*), Anne (*A Little Night Music*) and Lorraine (*All Shook Up*) with companies including Portland Center Stage, Pittsburgh Music Theater, Merry-Go-Round Playhouse, Theater of the Stars and Goodspeed Opera House.

A native of Atlanta, Georgia, Lyons is an award winner in the Southeastern Met Competitions and the Washington International Competition, and has worked in masterclass with Marilyn Horne, Martina Arroyo, Helen Donath and Grace Bumbry. She holds degrees from Carnegie Mellon University and the Peabody Institute at Johns Hopkins, as well as certificates from the Salzburg Mozarteum.



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## **OPERA**

Ariadne auf Naxos (upcoming)EchoBerkshire Opera FestivalDon Giovanni (upcoming)Donna AnnaHawaii Performing Arts FestivalCosí fan tutteFiordiligiCharleston Symphony Orchestra

Cosí fan tutteFiordiligiPeabody Institute OperaDie EntführungKonstanze u/sSymphony Space NYCDie EntführungKonstanzeModell Lyric Opera House

Manon Manon Carnegie Hall

Manon Liederkranz Foundation

Le Nozze di FigaroSusannahLincoln CenterLe Nozze di FigaroContessaMozarteum AcademyLa BohèmeMimíOpera Long IslandLa BohèmeMimíPeabody InstituteLa BohèmeMimíC.C.S. Singers

La Bohème Musetta NY Repertory Orchestra

Die ZauberflötePaminaAmalfi Coast Music Festival, ItalyCarmenFrasquitaPCO with Denyce Graves

Les racontes d'Hoffmann Antonia Amalfi Coast Music Festival
I Capuleti e I Montecchi Giulietta Amalfi Coast Music Festival
La Traviata Violetta Inisfada Mansion Gala
Alcina Alcina Carnegie Mellon University

#### **THEATER**

Big River Alice's Daughter Goodspeed Opera House/ Dir. Rob Ruggiero Manhattan School of Music/ Dir. Carolann Page A Little Night Music Anne All Shook Up Merry-Go-Round Playhouse/ Dir. Kate Swann Lorraine u/s Narrator u/s Theater of the Stars/ Dir. Norb Joerdner Joseph...Dreamcoat (nat'l tour) Ragtime Woman of Harlem Portland Center Stage/ Dir. Chris Coleman Pittsburgh Musical Theater/ Dir. Bob Durkin Miss Saigon GiGi A Chorus Line Carnegie Mellon University/ Dir. Chet Walker Sheila

## **EDUCATION & TRAINING**

Masters of Music from Peabody Institute

Baltimore, MD
Bachelor of Fine Arts from Carnegie Mellon University

Performance Certificates from Salzburg Mozarteum Academy
American Theater Wing Acting Intensive

Mew York, NY
Manhattan School of Music Music Theater Workshop w/ Paul Gemignani

Westchester Summer Vocal Institute

Baltimore, MD
Pittsburgh, PA
Salzburg, Austria
New York, NY
Mew York, NY
New York, NY
New York, NY

Masterclass: Marilyn Horne, Martina Arroyo, Julianne Baird, Helen Donath, Grace Bumbry

Coaches: Patrick O'Donnell, Eileen Cornett, Vera Danchenko-Stern, Louis Salemno, Will Crutchfield

Teachers: Denyce Graves (current), Janet Perry, Mimi Lerner

### **AWARDS**

Metropolitan Opera Competition Southeast Award Winner Washington International Competition Award Winner New Jersey Opera Competition Finalist Sylvia Green Competition Semi-Finalist

#### SPECIAL SKILLS

Strong Dancer: Ballet- 15 years, Jazz- 12 years, Modern- 6 years, Tap- 3 years. Plays Piano & Guitar.



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