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## ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

## Mariateresa Magisano, soprano



Mariateresa is a winner of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. In 2001, she debuted with the New York City Opera as ZERLINA in *Don Giovanni*, a role she re-prised with NYCO in 2002 as well as with Vancouver Opera and Opera Columbus. Recently, Mariateresa performed BETH in Adamo's *Little Women* with Calgary Opera (2010); MICAËLA in Vancouver Opera's *Carmen* (2009); and SUSANNA in *Le Nozze di Figaro* with Opera Lyra Ottawa (2008). Mariateresa sang the title role in Thomas' *Mignon* in an "Opera in concert" with Opera Lyra Ottawa (2007); and covered the role of FIDELIA in Puccini's *Edgar* with the Opera Orchestra of New York (2008).

Other Career highlights include: SUSANNA in *Le Nozze di Figaro* with Vancouver Opera, DESPINA in *Cosi Fan Tutte* with Arizona Opera, GRETEL in *Hansel & Gretel* with Calgary Opera, ROSINA in *Il Barbiere di Siviglia* with Opera Lyra Ottawa, the Green Mountain Opera Festival, the Buffalo Philharmonic, the Aspen Opera Theater and Opera Saskatchewan.

Upcoming work includes: the role of LIÙ with **Opera Lyra Ottawa** in their 2010 production of *Turandot* and *the Divas and Divos gala concert* with **Manitoba Opera**.

As an active concert soloist, Mariateresa has performed with various musical organizations, namely the Vancouver Recital Society, Ottawa Chamber Music Society, I Musici de Montreal, the CBC - McGill Concert Series, the Canadian Centre for Architecture (CBC Radio), the Almonte and District Arts Council Performing Arts Series (CBC Radio), the André Turp Society, the Lachine Festival, Les Concerts populaires de Montréal, Mad River Valley Chorale in Vermont and the Vancouver Women's Musical Society. Equally comfortable in contemporary vocal repertoire, Mariateresa has premiered and recorded the Canadian works of Imant Raminsh entitled What voices in unknown tongues with the Vancouver Chamber Choir for CBC Records - Earth Chants, as well as In Limine by Linda Nessel with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra and Magnificat by Rupert Lang with Diane Loomer and the Chor Leoni Male Choir.

Mariateresa is a proud recipient of awards from the Metropolitan Opera Ed Fund, the Canada Council for the Arts, Le Conseil des arts et des letters du Quebec and the Jacqueline Desmarais Foundation. Mariateresa received her musical training in Montreal at McGill University (Voice Performance) graduating with a Bachelor of Music and she completed a year of intense study in the Artist's Diploma program at McGill University before she joined the Vancouver Opera's Young Artist Ensemble. This was followed by vocal studies at the Juilliard Opera Center in New York City and the Opera Studio at the Accademia di Santa Cecilia in Rome, Italy. Festival performances include Tanglewood Festival, Aldeburgh Festival & Britten Pears School, Aspen Music Festival, and the Steans Institute at the Ravinia Festival. Fluent in Italian, English and French, she has performed in many venues and continues to carry out her artistic activities throughout North America and Europe.

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