

## ARTIST BIOS – WTO *IDOMENEO* 2018

### FILENE ARTISTS



**YELENA DYACHEV, soprano**

Sacramento, CA

**TRAINING:** Houston Grand Opera, Merola Opera Program, University of Southern California Thornton School of Music, Aspen Music Festival, University of the Pacific Conservatory of Music

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Clotilde in *Norma*, Berta in *Il barbiere di Siviglia*, Dominique de Menil in *Some Light Emerges*, First Secretary in *Nixon in China* (Houston Grand Opera), Fiordiligi in *Così fan tutte*, Tatyana in *Eugene Onegin* (Aspen Opera Center)



**IAN KOZIARA, tenor^**

Chicago, IL

**TRAINING:** The Metropolitan Opera, Glimmerglass Festival, Wolf Trap Opera Studio, Ravinia Steans Institute, Rice University

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Enrique in *The Exterminating Angel*, Fourth Sentry in *Parsifal* (The Metropolitan Opera), Tito in *La clemenza di Tito* (Aspen Opera Center), Testo in *Il combattimento di Tancredi e Clorinda* (Carnegie Hall), Ezekiel Cheever in *The Crucible* (Glimmerglass Festival)

[Learn more about Ian Koziara](#)



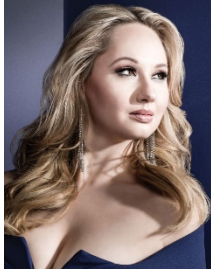
**MADISON LEONARD, soprano\***

Coeur d'Alene, ID

**TRAINING:** Washington National Opera, Des Moines Metro Opera, Merola Opera Program

**HIGHLIGHTS:** High Priestess in *Aida*, The Rose in *The Little Prince*, Little Zegner Daughter in *Proving Up* (Washington National Opera), Madeline in *The Fall of the House of Usher*, Daughter in *The Juniper Tree* (Wolf Trap Opera), Susanna in *Le Nozze di Figaro* (Amarillo Opera), Monica in *The Medium* (Merola Opera Program)

[Learn more about Madison Leonard](#)



**MEGAN MIKAILOVNA SAMARIN, mezzo-soprano\*^**

Whittier, CA

**TRAINING:** Houston Grand Opera, Wolf Trap Opera Studio, Aspen Music Festival, Manhattan School of Music

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Sesto in *Giulio Cesare*, Carla Mae in *House Without a Christmas Tree*, Siebel in *Faust*, Maresvale/Revels in *Prince of Players*, Olga in *Eugene Onegin*, Johanna in *Sweeney Todd* (Houston Grand Opera), *Loving Clara Schumann* (Mercury Symphony), Marzia in *Cato in Utica* (Glimmerglass Festival), 2017 Gerda Lissner Foundation International Vocal Competition Second Prize

[Learn more about Megan Mikailovna Samarin](#)

\* returning Filene Artist

^ former Studio Artist

**STUDIO ARTISTS**

**DUKE KIM, tenor**

Seoul, Republic of Korea

**TRAINING:** Rice University (M.M. 2018), Chapman University (B.M. 2015)

[Learn more about Duke Kim](#)

**SENHICA KLEE, tenor\***

Highlands Ranch, CO

**TRAINING:** Rice University (M.M. 2018), University of Denver (B.M. 2014)

**CORY MCGEE, bass-baritone**

Stafford, VA

**TRAINING:** Oberlin Conservatory of Music (B.M. 2018)

[Learn more about Cory McGee](#)

\*Returning for a second season as a Filene Young Artist