ROMÉO ET JULIETTE ARTIST BIOS – WTO 2018

FILENE ARTISTS



JOSHUA CONYERS, baritone Bronx, NY

TRAINING: Palm Beach Opera, Glimmerglass Festival, Des Moines Metro Opera, Santa Fe Opera, Washington National Opera, A.J. Fletcher Opera Institute, Indiana University, University of North Carolina School of the Arts **HIGHLIGHTS:** Science in Tassa, Vamadori in Madama Butterfly (Palm Beach)

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Learn more about Joshua Conyers



THOMAS GLASS, baritone^ Edina, MN

TRAINING: Houston Grand Opera, Minnesota Opera, Merola Opera Program, Rice

University, Wolf Trap Opera Studio

HIGHLIGHTS: Officer Krupke in *West Side Story*, Baron Douphol in *La traviata* (Houston Grand Opera), Schaunard in *La bohème*, Capulet in *Roméo et Juliette*, Gustave in *Dinner at Eight* (Minnesota Opera), Figaro in *Il barbiere di Siviglia* (Rice University)

Learn more about Thomas Glass



PATRICK GUETTI, bass Highland Park, NJ

TRAINING: Lyric Opera of Chicago, Academy of Vocal Arts, Santa Fe Opera, The Catholic University of America

HIGHLIGHTS: Mandarin in *Turandot*, Zuniga in *Carmen*, Zaretsky in *Eugene Onegin* (Lyric Opera of Chicago), Sciarrone in *Tosca* (Los Angeles Philharmonic), Nachtwachter in *Die Meistersinger von Nürnberg* (Glyndebourne Festival Opera), Fifth Jew in *Salome* (Dallas Opera), Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions National Finalist 2014

Learn more about Patrick Guetti



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



ALEXANDER McKISSICK, tenor

Madison, CT

TRAINING: Washington National Opera, Aspen Music Festival, The Juilliard School **HIGHLIGHTS:** Governor/Inquisitor in *Candide* (Washington National Opera), Alfredo in *La traviata* (Aspen Music Festival), Val in *The Grapes of Wrath* (Opera Theatre of Saint Louis), Ramon in *La navarraise* (Bard SummerScape Festival), 2017 Richard Tucker Music Foundation Sara Tucker Study Grant Learn more about Alexander McKissick



TAYLOR RAVEN, mezzo-soprano Fayetteville, NC

TRAINING: Los Angeles Opera, Ravinia Steans Institute, Pittsburgh Opera Merola Opera Program, Central City Opera

HIGHLIGHTS: Vanderdendur in *Candide* (LA Opera), Oronte in *Riccardo Primo* (Pittsburgh Opera), Hannah After in *As One* (Pittsburgh Opera, Seattle Opera), Angelina in *La cenerentola*, Ottavia in *L'incoronazione di Poppera* (Eklund Opera), 2017 Richard Tucker Foundation Sara Tucker Study Grant Learn more about Taylor Raven



ANTHONY REED, bass^A Alexandria, MN

TRAINING: San Francisco Opera, Curtis Institute of Music, Wolf Trap Opera Studio, University of Wisconsin

HIGHLIGHTS: Dottore Grenvil in *La traviata*, Der Pflege in *Elektra*, Il Re in *Aida*, Schmidt in *Andrea Chenier* (San Francisco Opera) Sarastro in *Die Zauberflöte*, Don Magnifico in *La cenerentola* (Curtis Opera Theater), Don Basilio in *Il barbiere di Siviglia* (Santa Fe Concert Association)

Learn more about Anthony Reed



ANNIE ROSEN, *mezzo-soprano** New Haven, CT

TRAINING: Lyric Opera of Chicago, Santa Fe Opera, Central City Opera, Glimmerglass Festival, Mannes College of Music, Yale University **HIGHLIGHTS:** Siebel in *Faust* (Lyric Opera of Chicago), Eve in *Rev 23* (White Snake Projects, World Premiere), Title Role in *Ariodante* (Opera Omaha), Stepmother in *The Juniper Tree* (Wolf Trap Opera), Mercedes in *Carmen* (Deustche Oper Berlin) Learn more about Annie Rosen



RICHARD TREY SMAGUR, tenor Clarkesville, GA

TRAINING: Houston Grand Opera, Santa Fe Opera, Ravinia Steans Institute, Des Moines Metro Opera

HIGHLIGHTS: Tsarevitch Gvidon in *The Golden Cockerel* (Santa Fe Opera), Gastone in *La traviata*, Young Servant in *Elektra*, Count Almaviva in *Il barbiere di Siviglia* (Houston Grand Opera), Title Role in *Peter Grimes*, Pinkerton in *Madama Butterfly*, Tamino in *Die Zauberflöte* (Indiana University), 2017 Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions Grand Finals Winner

Learn more about Richard Trey Smagur

^Former Studio Artist

STUDIO ARTISTS

KEVIN BRYANT, tenor

Georgetown, TX

TRAINING: Eastman School of Music (M.M. 2018), Southwestern University (B.M. 2016)

Learn more about Kevin Bryant

ANDREW GILSTRAP, bass-baritone*

Nashville, TN

TRAINING: University of Houston (M.M. 2018, B.M. 2016)

Learn more about Andrew Gilstrap

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