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Personal Details

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Languages English (native)
German
Italian
French



Education

2021 - 2022: Postgraduate Vocal Concert Soloist, Royal Conservatoire Antwerp
2019: AIMS in Graz Summer School, Graz
2018: Artist in Residence, St Andrew's College, Sydney
Accademia del Bel Canto Rodolfo Celletti, Martina Franca
Young Artist (Dame Nellie Melba Scholarship), Melba Opera Trust, Melbourne
2014-2015: Young Artist (full scholarship), Pacific Opera Young Artist Program, Sydney
2008-2012: Bachelor of Music (1st class honours) Australian National University School of Music, Canberra

Recent and Upcoming Stage Experience

2022: *chasing waterfalls* (Schein/ Ego fluens), Sächsische Staatsoper, Dresden – world premiere
Mahler's Fourth Symphony (soprano soloist), Schönberg Verein Symphony, Antwerp
Try Me Good King (Anne Boleyn), Royal Conservatoire of Antwerp
KCA Live, Royal Conservatoire of Antwerp (Concert, *Ariettes Oubliées* with duo partner Alex Norton, and *Vier Letzte Lieder*)
A Flourish of Green (Silvana), Royal Conservatoire of Antwerp (cancelled)
La Bohème (Mimi – scenes), Royal conservatoire of Antwerp (cancelled)
New Years Concert (soprano soloist – Rosalinde, *Die Fledermaus*, Hanna, Die Lustige Witwe, Pauline, *Der Waldmeister*), Royal Conservatoire of Antwerp ('jump in')

2019: *Der Rosenkavalier* (Marschallin – scenes with orchestra)
Luisa Miller (Luisa – scenes with piano)

2018: *Miss Brill* (Miss Brill, world premier), Omega Ensemble
Brahms' Ein Deutsches Requiem (soprano soloist), Choir of St James King St
Saint-Saëns' Christmas Oratorio (soprano soloist), Illawarra Choral Society

2017: *MELBA, A New Musical* (Nellie Melba), August – September ('jump in' for 2 performances)
Don Giovanni (Donna Anna), Opera Projects Sydney
Die Fledermaus (Rosalinde), Operantics
The Gondoliers (Casilda), Rockdale Opera Company

Handel's Messiah (Soprano Soloist), Illawarra Choral Society

2016: *Die Zauberflöte* (Pamina), Opera Projects Sydney
Mansfield Park (Mrs Norris), Operantics
Suor Angelica (cover Suor Genovieffa), Opera Projects Sydney
La Sonnambula (Lisa, cover Amina), Operantics, September

2015: *The Cunning Little Vixen* (Chocholka, small roles), Pacific Opera
The Medium (Mrs Gobineau), Opera Prometheus
Handel's Messiah (Soprano Soloist), Macquarie Singers
Vivaldi's *Gloria* (Soprano Soloist), UC Choral, Canberra

Prizes/Competitions

2021: Melba Alumni Scholarship Recipient
Australian Council for the Arts Individual Scholarship Recipient
IV Éva Marton International Singing Competition – Semi Finalist
58th International Tenor Viñas Competition – Semi Finalist
Ottavio Ziino Competition – Semi Finalist
Vinceró International Singing Competition – Semi Finalist
International Lied Competition Bolko von Hochberg – Semi Finalist (postponed to 2022)

2020: The Glyndebourne Opera Cup - Semi Finalist
International Virgiljus Noreika Competition for Singers – Semi Finalist
Kammeroper Schloss Rheinsberg Competition – Finalist

2019: The Opera Foundation *for Young Australians* Dalywood-Wylie AIMS Graz Award – Winner
The Opera Foundation *for Young Australians* AIMS Sundell Study Award – Winner
AIMS Graz 'Meistersinger' Competition – Finalist
Herald Sun Aria - Finalist

2018: Limestone Coast Opera Lucca Competition – Winner
The Opera Foundation *for Young Australians* Lady Fairfax Scholarship – Finalist
Acclaim Awards Italian Opera Fellowship – Finalist

2017: Sydney Eisteddfod Opera and Arts Support Vocal Scholarship – Winner
Sydney Eisteddfod Opera Awards – Winner
Wollongong Eisteddfod Operatic Aria Championship – Winner
Shoalhaven Eisteddfod Operatic Aria Championship – Winner
Sydney Opera House Award – Winner
'Best Actress in an Opera' (Rosalinde), Broadway World Awards, Sydney - Finalist

Current and Studied Repertoire**Opera (performed and upcoming):**

<i>chasing waterfalls</i>	Schein/ Ego fluens	Lee	2022
<i>Miss Brill</i>	Title Role	Hoadley	2018
<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Donna Anna	Mozart	2017
<i>La Sonnambula</i>	Lisa, Amina (cover)	Bellini	2016
<i>Mansfield Park</i>	Mrs Norris	Dove	2016
<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Pamina	Mozart	2016
<i>Suor Angelica</i>	Suor Genovieffa, minor roles	Puccini	2016
<i>The Cunning Little Vixen</i>	Chocholka, minor roles	Janáček	2015
<i>Brundibar</i>	The Icecream Maker	Krása	2015
<i>The Medium</i>	Mrs Gobineu	Menotti	2015
<i>Albert Herring</i>	Emmi, Miss Wordsworth (cover)	Britten	2012
<i>Dido and Aeneas</i>	Second Witch	Purcell	2010

Scenes (performed):

<i>La Bohème</i>	Mimi	Puccini	2021
<i>Der Rosenkavalier</i>	Marschallin	R. Strauss	2019
<i>Luisa Miller</i>	Luisa	Verdi	2019

Opera (coached):

<i>A Flourish in Green</i>	Silvana	Mazzoli	2022
<i>La Bohème</i>	Mimi	Puccini	2021
<i>Siegfried</i>	Waldvogel	Wagner	2021
<i>Così Fan Tutte</i>	Fiordiligi	Mozart	2020

Operetta (performed):

<i>Die Fledermaus</i>	Rosalinde	J. Strauss	2017
<i>The Gondoliers</i>	Casilda, Tessa	Gilbert and Sullivan	2017, 2014
<i>Love By Lanternlight</i>	Denise	Offenbach	2014

Oratorio (performed):

<i>Fourth Symphony</i>	Soprano Soloist	Mahler	2022
<i>Ein Deutsches Requiem</i>	Soprano Soloist	Brahms	2018
<i>Oratorio de Noël</i>	Second Soprano Soloist	Saint-Saëns	2018
<i>The Messiah</i>	Soprano Soloist	Handel	2015, 2017
<i>Gloria</i>	Soprano Soloist	Vivaldi	2015
<i>Eternal Source of Light Divine</i>	Soprano Soloist	Handel	2014
<i>Johannespassion</i>	Soprano Soloist	Bach	2012

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Lieder/ Art Song (performed):

<i>Ariettes Oubliées</i>		Debussy	2022
<i>Vier Letzte Lieder</i>		R. Strauss	2022
<i>Cinque Melodies Populaire Grecques</i>		Ravel	2020
Various songs and opus'		R. Strauss	2015, 2017
<i>Hermit Songs</i>		Barber	2014
<i>Quatro Madrigales Amatorios</i>		Rodrigo	2012
<i>Frauenliebe und Leben</i>		R. Schumann	2011, 2015, 2016

Opera (in progress):

<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Donna Elvira	Mozart	2022
<i>Le Nozze di Figaro</i>	Contessa Almaviva	Mozart	2022
<i>Carmen</i>	Micaëla	Bizet	2022
<i>Turandot</i>	Liù	Puccini	2022

Lieder/ Art Song (in progress):

<i>Wesendonck Lieder</i>		Wagner	2022
<i>Mignon Lieder</i>		Wolf	2022
<i>Op. 104</i>		R. Schumann	2021
<i>Op. 40</i>		R. Schumann	2021
<i>Op. 13 Sechs Lieder</i>		C. Schumann	2021