

Maria MARKINA Mezzo

Maria Markina was born in Moscow, she studied at the Russian Academy of Theatre Arts graduating with honours. During her time at the Academy, she sang in “Nozze di Figaro” and “Albert Herring”. At the beginning of her career she joined the Novaya Opera Theatre in Moscow, where she sang Olga, Lel in “Snow Maiden” and Dunyasha in “Tsar’s Bride”, Naina in “Ruslan and Ludmilla” and 3rd Dame in “Zauberflöte” with director Achim Freyer.

She won the first prize at the Eleanor McCollum Competition for Young Singers in Houston.

Ms. Markina was a resident artist with the Houston Grand Opera Studio, where she performed Lola and Maddalena, 2nd Dame in “Zauberflöte”, Hänsel, Pauline in “Pique Dame”, Lápak/Woodpecker in Janáček’s “Cunning Little Vixen”, and she was a soloist in the world premiere of Theofanidis’s “The Refuge”. Furthermore, she sang Bradamante in “Alcina” at Wolf Trap Opera in Virginia, recitals in San Antonio, Texas, and the title role in “Cenerentola” in Connecticut.

Until 2015 she was heard at Staatsoper Hamburg as Lola, Cherubino, Siebel, Olga, Wellgunde in “Rheingold” and “Götterdämmerung”, as Cenerentola, 2nd Dame, Zerlina, Paulina in “Pique Dame”, Siebel, Hänsel, Meg in “Falstaff, Page in “Salome”, Komponist, Dorabella, Flora, Varvara as well as in the European premiere of “Bliss” by composer Brett Dean.

Recent and future contracts until 2019/20 include de Fallas’ “El sombrero de tres picos” with Mo. Laurence Foster with NDR Orchestera in Hamburg, Mozart concerts with Württembergische Philharmonie in Reutlingen and in Luzern, Zaida in “Turco in Italia” at Teatro Linceo in Barcelona, Olga and Cherubino in Kiel, Mercedes and Dorabella at Komische Oper Berlin, Olga in St. Gallen, Grimgerde in Karlsruhe, Weinberg's "Wir gratulieren" in Heidelberg and Octavian in Düsseldorf.

Until 2019 she is member of the ensemble in Mannheim, where she sings Rosina, Tancredi, Orlofsky, Hänsel, Dorabella, Blume, Wellgunde, Marguerite in “Damnation di Faust”, Octavian and Margaretha in “Genoveva”.