

Ekaterina Michailova – curriculum vitae

Lyric coloratura soprano

The soprano Ekaterina Michailova was born near St. Petersburg, Russia, where she completed her piano studies. Afterwards she studied singing at the N. A. Rimsky Korsakov Conservatory in St. Petersburg, earning a diploma as an opera singer, concert singer, and singing teacher.

She made her opera debut as Tatjana in Eugene Onegin at the St. Petersburg Chamber Opera, and sang other roles there such as the Snow Maiden in Korsakov's The Snow Maiden, and Marfa in The Tsar's Bride.

International master classes with among others Dame Gwyneth Jones and Werner Hollweg in Germany gave decisive impetus to her work

From 1994 to 2011 she lived in Denmark where she gave numerous concerts with leading Danish orchestras. In 2001, she made her debut at the National Danish Opera as the First niece in Benjamin Britten's Peter Grimes. Further engagements followed there, as Barbarina in The Marriage of Figaro, Gianetta in L'elisir d'amore, Laetitia in The Old Maid and the Thief by Menotti, Olympia in Hoffmann's Narratives, Gilda in Rigoletto, and the Night Queen in Mozart's Magic Flute.

She made guest appearances as the Night Queen in the 2009/2010 and 2011/2012 seasons at the Hamburg State Opera and the Tyrol Landestheater in Innsbruck under the direction of Brigitte Fassbaender, at the Opera Festival in St. Margarethen in Austria, and at the Opera Soer in Kristiansand, Norway in 2012/2013.

She has performed numerous recurring song and aria evenings at home and abroad, Seven Early Songs by Alban Berg and Henryk Gorecki's Third Symphony with the Copenhagen Philharmonic Orchestra. Her repertoire also includes Konstanze in Die Entführung aus dem Serail, Donna Anna in Don Giovanni, Lucia in Lucia di Lammermoor and Zerbinetta in Ariadne on Naxos.

CD productions:

1930 Voice & Organ - Ekaterina Michailova & Helge Gramstrup

Nach Herzenslust - Carl Michael Ziehrer

Wiener Leb'n and Wiener Leut'! - Carl Michael Ziehrer

This Russian-Danish soprano has lived and worked in Vienna since 2012.