

Katrin Targo
Soprano



The young Estonian soprano **Katrin Targo** started her musical career as a pianist already at the age of 5. In 1998, after having won the 1st Prize at the Tartu National Young Pianists' Competition in 1995, she finished the Tallinn Music High School as a **Concert Pianist** and a **Piano Teacher** (Prof. Ü. Sisa & Prof. L. Orgse).

After having continued her piano studies for one year at the Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre, she decided to major in **Opera Singing**, completing her studies as a Bachelor of Arts in 2004 and Master of Arts in 2007 in the class of Prof. R. Gurjev. In 2005-06 and 2008-09 Katrin studied in Vienna, Austria, at the University of Music and Performing Arts with Prof. F. Lukasovsky.

2010-12 Katrin continued her studies in Vienna in the singing class of Prof. Claudia Visca and Opera Studio of Prof. Paul Esterhazy/Prof. Christoph U. Meier in 2010-11 and of Prof. Reto Nickler/Prof. Christoph U. Meier in 2011/12. Katrin graduated from the Vienna University of Music and Performing Arts in the discipline of study **Musical Dramatical Performance** with her second Master of Arts in June 2012. She has also participated in several Masterclasses (M. Acda, R. Piernay, W. Moore, M. Hrafnsdottir, H. Wildhaber, and B. Nikolov).

Katrin is a **Prizewinner** of several singing competitions like the Yamaha Music Foundation of Europe Scholarship Competition (Tallinn, Estonia 2007), Mart Saar Singing Competition (Suure-Jaani, Estonia 2008), and Johannes Brahms Competition (Pörtschach, Austria 2012).

Katrin has gathered ample stage experience having sung in many operas and in concert with the Savonlinna Opera Festival Choir (Finland), Arnold Schönberg Choir (Austria) and the extra choir of the Viennese State Opera (Austria).

As a soloist Katrin has performed beside gala concerts and recitals in Estonia and Finland as **Hänsel** in E. Humperdinck's "Hänsel & Gretel" (Estonian Puppet Theatre, 2004), as **Lauretta** in G. Puccini's "Gianni Schicchi" (Estonian National Opera "Estonia", 2007), and as **Ilia** in W. A. Mozart's "Idomeneo" (2011) and **Belinda** in H. Pucell's "Dido & Aeneas" (2012) in the productions of the Vienna University of Music and Performing Arts.

Katrin gives Lied recitals in Austria and Estonia and also regularly sings in the Dome of Vienna – Stephansdom, St. Augustin and other churches around Austria, singing both at Holy Masses and at concerts. Katrin is an awaited soloist in the Viennissimo Opera Show productions and starting from the saison 2011/12 Katrin has been a guest soloist in the Estonian National Opera "Estonia", singing the role of **Cleopatra** in G. F. Handel's "Giulio Cesare".

In the Season 2013/14 Katrin will be performing as soprano solo singing Bach cantatas at the Concert House of Vienna.

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