

Solgerd Isaly

Mezzo-soprano



„...with fascinating expressive power“

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“...with vocal and theatrical panache”
Kristianstadsbladet

The young Swedish mezzo-soprano, Solgerd Isalv, was born in Råneå. She started her musical life playing the viola and found her way through this instrument to her passion for singing. She studied solo voice at the Academy of Music and Drama at the University of Göteborg with Marianne Schell, and received numerous grants and commendations for her singing. She took part in masterclasses with Helena Döse, Håkan Hagenård, Marianne Häggander, Anna Larsson, Neil Mackie, Thomas Quasthoff and Birgitta Svendén.

While still a student, she sang important roles such as Dorabella in **Così fan tutte**, Ramiro in **La finta giardiniera** and Hänsel in **Hänsel und Gretel**. Additional engagements followed with the roles of Cherubino in **Le nozze di Figaro** and as Mercedes in **Carmen** at the Skånska Opera and as Olga (under-study) in **Eugen Onegin** at the Gothenburg Opera.

In 2009, Solgerd Isalv performed the role of Lucretia in **the Rape of Lucretia** at the Kammeroper Schloß Rheinsberg in conjunction with Theater und Philharmonie Thüringen, thereby successfully presenting her German debut. She again performed the same role the following year at the Miskolci Nemzetközi Operafesztivál in Hungary. This was followed by the Sorceress in **Dido and Aeneas** at the Kulturhuset in Jäma, by the Mother in the **Verwandlung** (world premiere) at the Hochschule für Musik und Theater in Hamburg and Carmen in **Carmen** at the Opernwerkstatt in Köln.

Plans for 2012 include the role of Olga in **Eugen Onegin** at the Vaasan Ooppera.

Solgerd Isalv possesses a wide concert repertoire in addition to Bach oratorios and cantatas, which includes Ravel's *Shéhérazade* and Elgar's *Sea Pictures* in addition to Mahler and Wagner Lieder.



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Opera roles

Bizet	Carmen	Carmen
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Britten	Lucretia	Rape of Lucretia
Humperdinck	Hänsel	Hänsel und Gretel
Menotti	Mrs Flora	The Medium
Mozart	Ramiro	La finta giardiniera
Mozart	Dorabella	Così van tutte
Mozart	Cherubino	Le nozze di Figaro
Purcell	Sorceress	Dido & Aeneas
Sondheim	Petra	A Little Night's Music
Tchaikovsky	Olga	Eugen Onegin

Concerts

- * Mahler's Rückertlieder, Gothenburg
- * Wagner's Wesendoncklieder, Hamburg
- * Ölandsoperan gala concerts i. a. Carmen, Octavian, Zerlina, Siebel, conductor Bo Wannefors
- * Sea Pictures (Elgar), Piteå, conductor Leif Karlsson
- * Shéhérazade (Ravel), Gothenburg, conductor Cecilia Rydinger—Alin
- * Bach's Weihnachtsoratorium, in Gothenburg and Luleå
- * Mozarts Requiem, Gothenburg and Luleå
- * Bach's Magnificat, Vänersborg and Luleå
- * Vivaldi's Gloria, Vänersborg and Luleå
- * Several Bach cantatas, Gothenburg
- * Several recitals, Sweden

Education

Master's Degree in Musical Drama at the Academy of Music and Drama, Gothenburg	2006-2008
Bachelor's Degree in Performance Singing Opera School, Gothenburg	2003-2006

Workshops

- 2010, *The actor in front of the camera*, Gothenburg
- Theater improvisation*, Improverket, Gothenburg
- 2005, *Acting*, Verbier Festival & Academy (Larry Moss)
- Opera improvisation* Impropera (UK), Oslo

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Scholarships

2012

The Swedish Arts Grants Committee

2011

Rådman och Fru Ernst Collianders Stiftelse

Helge Ax:son Johnsons Stiftelse

IRIS stipendiet

Herbert och Karin Jacobsons Stiftelse

2010

Anne Whitlocks Minnesfond

Herbert och Karin Jacobsons Stiftelse

2009

Kungliga Musikaliska Akademin; Julia Claussens
minnesfond and Vivi Ekströms stipendiefond

Eduard Magnus stipendiefond

2008

Martin Posers stipendiefond

Tobisons Stiftelse

2006

Kungliga Musikaliska Akademin; Ernst Johnsons stipendiefond

Stiftelsen Frimuraresamhällets i Göteborg Musikstipendier

Anders Sandrews Stiftelse

2005

Wilhelm och Martina Lundgrens Understödsfond

Kerstin Wijk Broströms Stiftelse

Stiftelsen Therese Kamphs stipendiefond

Byggnads Kulturstipendium

