

NATALYA GENNADI Soprano

BIOGRAPHY

2018 DORA NOMINATION - OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE, FEMALE - OKSANA G (TAPESTRYOPERA)

Ukrainian-Canadian soprano Natalya Gennadi is establishing her career in North America in a wide range of repertoire. Natalya caused a sensation when she stepped in at short notice in her debut in the leading role of **Oksana G.**, Tapestry Opera's harrowing tale about human trafficking. Her critically acclaimed performance of this world premiere was nominated for the prestigious Dora Mavor Moore Awards.

As **Mimi** in *La* bohème with Highlands Opera Studio, Dawn Martens of Opera Canada wrote: "Natalya was a gorgeous Mimi; not only did she look the part of the consumptive heroine, she allowed her powerful voice to ebb and flow, producing gorgeously rich tones in Act I and sweeter, melodic phrases in Act IV."

During the pandemic, Natalya led the cast as **Adriana** in a fully staged digital performance of *Adriana Lecouvreur* with VoiceBox Opera in Concert. Recent opera roles include **Violetta** (*La Traviata*) and **Donna Anna** (*Don Giovanni*) with Opera York, **Countess Almaviva** with Southern Ontario Lyric Opera's *Le Nozze di Figaro*, and **Mimi** in *La bohème* with Brott Opera. Natalya joined Toronto Concert Orchestra for a concert of opera favourites and Tapestry Opera in their popular summertime outdoor Box Concerts.

In 2023 Natalya debuted as **Gerhilde** in *Die Walküre* with Pacific Opera Victoria, and starred as **Medée** (*Cherubini*) with Voicebox:Opera in Concert. Natalya joined Slow Rise Music in their compelling concert of contemporary works "Here be Sirens".

Natalya is a recipient of a REACH Development Grant from the Schevchenko Foundation and shares her love of Slavic music as a professional diction coach. With Opera in Reach, Natalya co-produced the highly successful online fundraising event "Art for Peace", featuring Canadian and International artists, benefitting Ukraine.



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