ERNESTO RAMIREZ
TENOR

BIOGRAPHY

As Karl Franz in *The Student Prince* with Toronto Operetta Theatre –
"As the title character, Ernesto Ramírez... is now completely at home on stage. He has a rich, Italianate tenor and seemingly unlimited lung-power. His impassioned singing of the famous 'Serenade' drew the loudest and longest applause of the evening. But Ramírez lends a heartfelt quality to all of his singing."

Christopher Hoile, Stage-Door.com

Mexican tenor Ernesto Ramırez is garnering rave reviews for his distinctive Italianate sound, "wonderfully fluid line and brilliant high notes," combined with his "suave, nuanced lyricism." Ernesto debuted as **Pinkerton** in *Madama Butterfly* with Mexico's Opera de Leon, **Rodolfo** in *La bohème* with Pacific Northwest Opera, and sang **Don José** with Opera Kelowna's *Carmen*.

Ernesto recently starred as **Don José** in concert performances of *Carmen* with Orchestre Classique de Montreal, and debuted as **Ralph Rackstraw** with Vancouver Opera in their updated production of *HMS Pinafore*. Highlights for the current season include **Maurizio** in *Adriana Lecouvreur* with Calgary Concert Opera Company, **Alfredo** in Verdi's *La Traviata* with Southern Ontario Lyric Opera, and **Alfred** in *Die Fledermaus* with Alberta Vocal Arts.

This season, Ernesto is the tenor soloist in Handel's *Messiah* with Hamilton Philharmonic, and with Symphony Nova Scotia in Beethoven's *Ninth Symphony*, which he has performed with Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, Niagara Symphony, and Kingston Symphony. Ernesto's "resplendent tenor" has been heard in performances of Verdi's *Requiem* with The Peterborough Singers, Brott Music Festival and Orquesta Sinfónica de Minería, Mexico.

Ernesto has performed to great acclaim for audiences in France, Germany, Switzerland and the United States, and opera companies in Zurich, Québec, Montreal, Tel Aviv and Mexico City have welcomed him as a guest artist in their Opera Galas.

Ernesto Ramirez is a Canadian Resident and holds U.S. and Mexican Citizenship