NATIONAL COUNCIL 2020-21 SEASON

# UTAH

**DISTRICT AUDITIONS** 

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2020





The 2020 National Council Finalists PHOTO: FAY FOX/MET OPERA

CAMILLE LABARRE CHAIRMAN

CAROL E. DOMINA PRESIDENT

MELISSA WEGNER EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

BRADY WALSH ADMINISTRATOR

LISETTE OROPESA NATIONAL ADVISOR

National Semifinals Sunday, May 9, 2021

**Grand Finals Concert** Sunday, May 16, 2021

The Semifinals and Grand Finals are currently scheduled to take place at the Met. We are closely monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and will make alternate arrangements in compliance with any and all necessary safety and health regulations in place during the spring of 2021.

For up to date auditions results, alumni news, and other general information, follow @MONCAuditions on Facebook and Instagram.

#### NATIONAL COUNCIL AUDITIONS

The Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions program cultivates young opera singers and assists in the development of their careers. The Auditions are held annually in 39 districts and 12 regions of the United States, Canada, and Mexico—all administered by dedicated National Council members and volunteers. Winners of the region auditions advance to compete in the national semifinals. National finalists are then selected and compete in the Grand Finals Concert. During the 2020–21 season, the auditions are being held virtually via livestream. Singers compete for prize money and receive feedback from judges at all levels of the competition.

Many of the world's greatest singers, among them Lawrence Brownlee, Anthony Roth Costanzo, Renée Fleming, Lisette Oropesa, Eric Owens, and Frederica von Stade, have won the Auditions. More than 100 former auditioners appear appear on the Met roster each season.

The National Council is grateful to its donors for prizes at the national level and to the Tobin Endowment for the Mrs. Edgar Tobin Award, given to each first-place region winner.

Support for this program is generously provided by the Charles H. Dyson National Council Audition Program Endowment Fund at the Metropolitan Opera.

#### **EDUCATION FUND**

Education Fund grants are available to contestants of the National Council Auditions who reach the semifinal round or further and demonstrate improved skills in a follow-up audition; each eligible contestant may be granted a total of up to \$5,000 upon multiple hearings within three years from when the contestant competed in the National Council Semifinals.

To learn more about donating to the National Council Auditions or the Education Fund, please visit metopera.org/MONCSupport.

#### **SINGERS**



Talar Arslanian



Brandon Bell



Sarah Joyce Cooper



Ashley Fabian



Emilie Faiella



Bretton Floyd



Julia Gershkoff



Temple Hammen



Paul Leland Hill



Christian Holden



Sarah-Clementine Mire



Kathleen Norchi



Daniel O'Hearn



Savannah Porter



Steven James Ricks



Esteban Senzig



Eric Taylor



Catherine Thornsley



Zizhao Wang

### REPERTOIRE | NOVEMBER 28, 2020 IN PERFORMANCE ORDER

JULIA GERSHKOFF, SOPRANO, 24		EAST GREENWICH, RI
Presentation of the rose	DER ROSENKAVALIER	R. Strauss
S'altro che lacrime	LA CLEMENZA DI TITO	Mozart
Je veux vivre	ROMÉO ET JULIETTE	Gounod
Come now, a roundel	A MIDSUMMER'S NIGHT DREAM	Britten
CHRISTIAN HOLDEN, TENOR, 27		AMERICAN FORK, UT
Ah, la paterna mano	MACBETH	Verdi
Vesti la giubba	I PAGLIACCI	Leoncavallo
Mit Gewitter und Sturm Here the thirsty ev'ning has drunk the wine of light	DER FLIEGENDE HOLLÄNDER	Wagner
riere the thirsty evining has drunk the wine of light	THE RAPE OF LUCRETIA	Britten
CATHERINE THORNSLEY, SOPRANO, 27	7	SEATTLE, WA
Come scoglio	COSÌ FAN TUTTE	Mozart
Ain't it a pretty night	SUSANNAH	Floyd
Song to the moon	RUSALKA	Dvořák
Jeśliby za wezwał mnie do siebie Bóg	PASAŻERKA	Weinberg
BRETTON FLOYD, BARITONE, 24		OREM, UT
Questo amor, vergogna mia	EDGAR	Puccini
O du, mein holder Abendstern	TANNHÄUSER	Wagner
Hai già vinta la causa	LE NOZZE DI FIGARO	Mozart
Vy mne pisaliKogda bï zhizn	EUGENE ONEGIN	Tchaikovsky
SAVANNAH PORTER, SOPRANO, 22		FORT WORTH, TX
Les oiseaux dans la charmille	LES CONTES D'HOFFMANN	Offenbach
Ach, ich fühl's	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
Spiel ich die Unschuld vom Lande	DIE FLEDERMAUS	J. Strauss
Gold is a fine thing	THE BALLAD OF BABY DOE	Moore
ESTEBAN SENZIG, TENOR, 27		PROVO, UT
Che gelida manina	LA BOHÈME	Puccini
Ah! lève-toi, soleil!	ROMÉO ET JULIETTE	Gounod
La donna è mobile	RIGOLETTO	Verdi
I know that you all hate me	THE SAINT OF BLEECKER STREET	Menotti

# REPERTOIRE (CONT'D) | NOVEMBER 28, 2020 IN PERFORMANCE ORDER

TALAR ARSLANIAN, SOPRANO, 24		PASADENA, CA
No word from Tom	THE RAKE'S PROGRESS	Stravinsky
Non mi dir	DON GIOVANNI	Mozart
Se il padre perdei	IDOMENEO	Mozart
Asum en urin	ANOUSH	Tigranian
		S
BRANDON BELL, BARITONE, 26		SUFFOLK, VA
J'ai perdu ta photo	SILENT NIGHT	Puts
Bella siccome un angelo	DON PASQUALE	Donizetti
Lieben, Hassen, Hoffen, Zagen	ARIADNE AUF NAXOS	R. Strauss
Se vuol ballare	LE NOZZE DI FIGARO	Mozart
ASHLEY FABIAN, SOPRANO, 30		CHARLESTON, SC
Ach, ich fühl's	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
Caro nome	RIGOLETTO	Verdi
Je veux vivre	ROMÉO ET JULIETTE	Gounod
Prendi, per me sei libero	L'ELISIR D'AMORE	Donizetti
ERIC TAYLOR, TENOR, 26 Che gelida manina	LA BOHÈME	ST. GEORGE, UT Puccini
Freunde, das Leben ist lebenswert!	GIUDITTA	Lehár
Salut! demeure chaste et pure	FAUST	Gounod
Torna ai felici di	LE VILLI	Puccini
TEMPLE HAMMEN, SOPRANO, 25		FREDERICKSBURG, VA
Ach, ich fühl's	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
Je suis encore	MANON	Massenet
Padre, germani, addio!	IDOMENEO	Mozart
I can smell the sea air	A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE	Previn
PAUL LELAND HILL, BASS, 29		CLINTON, UT
La calunnia	IL BARBIERE DI SIVIGLIA	Rossini
The Sodbuster's scene	PROVING UP	Mazzoli
O Isis und Osiris	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
Sorge infausta	ORLANDO	Handel
5		

# REPERTOIRE (CONT'D) | NOVEMBER 28, 2020 IN PERFORMANCE ORDER

SARAH JOYCE COOPER, SOPRANO, 29		LINCOLN, MA
Depuis le jour	LOUISE	Charpentier
Summertime	PORGY AND BESS	Gershwin
Donde lieta uscì	LA BOHÈME	Puccini
Quel guardo il cavaliereSo anch'io la virtù	DON PASQUALE	Donizetti
STEVEN JAMES RICKS, TENOR, 22		ALBUQUERQUE, NM
Pourquoi me réveiller	WERTHER	Massenet
La donna è mobile	RIGOLETTO	Verdi
Asile héréditaire	GUILLAUME TELL	Rossini
Dies Bildnis ist bezaubernd schön	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
KATHLEEN NORCHI, SOPRANO, 27		CHAGRIN FALLS, OH
Je veux vivre	ROMÉO ET JULIETTE	Gounod
Quando m'en vo	LA BOHÈME	Puccini
Monica's waltz	THE MEDIUM	Menotti
Je marcheObéissons quand leur voix appelle	MANON	Massenet
DANIEL OUIFARNI TENOR 24		CHICAGO
DANIEL O'HEARN, TENOR, 24	DICOLETTO	CHICAGO, IL
La donna è mobile	RIGOLETTO	Verdi Stravija da d
Here I stand Ah! lève-toi, soleil!	THE RAKE'S PROGRESS ROMÉO ET JULIETTE	Stravinsky Gounod
Un'aura amorosa	COSÌ FAN TUTTE	Mozart
on aura amorosa	COSIFANTOTTE	Mozart
SARAH-CLEMENTINE MIRE, SOPRANO, 25		LUBBOCK, TX
Come scoglio	COSÌ FAN TUTTE	Mozart
Je veux vivre	ROMÉO ET JULIETTE	Gounod
Steal me, sweet thief	THE OLD MAID AND THE THIEF	Menotti
O zittre nicht	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
ZIZHAO WANG, BASS-BARITONE, 26		QINGDAO, CHINA
La del ciel nell'arcano profondo	LA CENERENTOLA	Rossini
Quand la flamme de l'amour	LA JOLIE FILLE DE PERTH	Bizet
Madamina, il catalogo è questo	DON GIOVANNI	Mozart
Vi ravviso, o luoghi ameni	LA SONNAMBULA	Bellini
	E (SCIVITATION)	Demin

### REPERTOIRE (CONT'D) | NOVEMBER 28, 2020 IN PERFORMANCE ORDER

EMILIE FAIELLA, SOPRANO, 2	. 26
----------------------------	------

SAN DIMAS, CA

CENDRILLON	Massenet
IDOMENEO	Mozart
DER ROSENKAVALIER	R. Strauss
A HAND OF BRIDGE	Barber
	IDOMENEO DER ROSENKAVALIER

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS | NOVEMBER 28, 2020

#### **JUDGES**

#### MARY BIRNBAUM

FREELANCE STAGE DIRECTOR
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF OPERA STUDIES, THE JUILLIARD SCHOOL

#### **ERIC OWENS**

BASS-BARITONE
DIRECTOR, VOCAL STUDIES AND THE CURTIS OPERA THEATRE, CURTIS INSTITUTE OF MUSIC

#### MARK SCHNAIBLE

ARTISTIC ADMINISTRATOR, SUMMER OPERA TEL-AVIV
VOICE TEACHER, CUNY & MARION ROOSE PULLIN OPERA STUDIO OF THE ARIZONA OPERA

#### CAROL ANDERSON

MONC PIANIST

NICOLAS GIUSTI
JIYOUNG JIM
MERCEDES JUAN
STEPHEN KARR
IRINA KRASNOVSKA
KELLY LIN
ALLISON MICHELLE
NATALIE SHERER
DEREK STANYER
CHRISTOPHER TURBESSI
ADDITIONAL PIANISTS

VERONIKA ARKHANGEL SYDNEY MULLOY MONC STAFF

COREY SMITH
KISWE STAFF

### **UTAH DISTRICT**

JULIE MCBETH
CAROL AND GUNTER RADINGER
DIRECTORS

DREW W. BROWNING
DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

KAREN AZENBERG
MICHAEL BALLAM
DR. ROBERT BREAULT
KAREN BROOKENS BRUESTLE
CINDY DEWEY
DAVID GEE
ERIC GLISSMEYER
KATHIE HORMAN
ISAAC HURTADO
CHRISTOPHER MCBETH
DIANE REICH
WALTER B. RUDOLPH
CELENA SHAFER
BRIAN STUCKI
ADVISORY BOARD

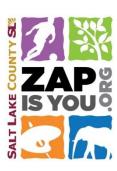
RANDY BATHEMESS
DOYLE CLAYBURN
NAOMI FEIGAL
LORI FISHER
PETE FLOOR
PAULA FOWLER
CAROLYN KLASSEN
TOM KLASSEN
HELEN PETERS
COMMITTEE

#### **DONORS**

ALAN AGLE JUDY BRADY & DREW W. BROWNING ROBERT L. AND DOROTHY A. PETERS-BRANNON **RON & KRISTIN BRENNER** JAMES & MARILYN BREZOVAC TIMOTHY F. BUEHNER FOUNDATION MARIAN A. CONNELLY DAVID R. DEAN STEPHEN DILTS FRANK & CANDY DWYER **BLAKE & LINDA FISHER** PAULA FOWLER EDWINA H. GREEN DR. MICHAEL KALM THOMAS & CAROLYN KLASSEN RICHARD LUCY

DR. GERALDINE A. MANNING CHRISTOPHER & JULIE MCBETH **GRANGER PECK GUNTER & CAROL RADINGER** MARY ANN ROSS WALTER & MARILYN RUDOLPH JACK AND MARY SHINN ANN SAMANTHA SIMON RICHARD & KAREN URANKAR UTAH OPERA MARIE VAN PELT GRACE A. H. VLAM RUTH S. WALKER TRUST JERALYNN AND DAVID WINDER ELFIE AND JAMES WRIGHT EDWARD J. ZIPSER

The Utah District Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions are supported in part by the residents of Salt Lake County through the ZOO, ARTS & PARKS (ZAP) PROGRAM and the SALT LAKE CITY ARTS COUNCIL.





SPECIAL THANKS to MONC Florida District Director SWANTJE KNYE-LEVIN and her children's book, THE LITTLE BOY AND THE BIG FISH, available on a donation basis benefiting the Utah District and Florida District MONC Auditions.

SEND AN E-MAIL to <u>LittleBoyandtheBigFish@gmail.com</u> for more information.

#### LEADERSHIP FOR THE 2020-21 SEASON

#### **Regional Chairpersons**

David O'Connor

CENTRAL

Lara Marcon

Stefanie VanSteelandt

EASTERN

Diane Dupin Melissa Gordon GULF COAST

Barbara and Ronald Glass Mary Susman and Tom Herm

MIDWEST

Pauline Ho Bynum NEW ENGLAND

Clint Singley NORTHWEST

Stephen Dilts ROCKY MOUNTAIN

Randall Romig

Connie Fullmer Jimmy Longoria UPPER MIDWEST

Molly Siefert Marianne Grant WESTERN

#### **District Directors**

Kimberley Smith

ARIZONA

Martin and Melissa Thoma

ARKANSAS

Barbara and John VanScoyoc

Boston

Leah Wietig

Karen Mohr

COLORADO-WYOMING

Robin Valovich CONNECTICUT

Swantje Knye-Levin

Joan Travis

Alexis Lundy Jason Meeks GEORGIA

Rhonda Sweeney

HOUSTON

Diana Livingston Friedley

IDAHO-MONTANA

Jason Pompeii

ILLINOIS

Sara Compton

**Donald Simonson** 

IOWA

Melinda J. Cannady Dr. Wilma B. Wilcox

KANSAS CITY

Cacey Nardolillo

KENTUCKY

Karen Gottlieb Laurel Howat Susan Malinowski

LOS ANGELES

Joan Mitchell

MEXICO

Theodore Fellenbaum

Barbara Wiltsie

MICHIGAN

Laura Franz Adrienne Dickson

NEBRASKA

Royce Blackburn Louise Pinkerton NORTH DAKOTA-MANITOBA

Rebeccka Coe NEW ORLEANS

Lara Marcon

Stefanie VanSteelandt

NEW YORK

Steven LaCosse Leslie Paliyenko NORTH CAROLINA

Annette Condeluci Christopher Scott PITTSBURGH

Ada Sofia Esteves

Kate Thickstun Joan Henkelman SAN DIEGO

Fred Dear Patty Doherty Michele Patzakis

Khori Dastoor (Consultant)

SAN FRANCISCO

Bettie and Van Edwards

SOUTH CAROLINA

Jocelynne McCall Jan Simpson TENNESSEE

Kathleen and Leonard Pataki

TULSA

Julie McBeth

Carol and Gunter Radinger

UTAH

Maxine Levy washington

Nicolas Krusek WESTERN CANADA

Lisa Hanson wisconsin

#### THANK YOU TO OUR NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS AND CONTRIBUTORS

Ms. Jo-Ann C. Adams Dr. Joan T. Ades Mr. and Ms. Alan Agle

Mr. Donald J. and Dr. Marie Z. Amoruso

Mrs. Susan K. Appel Mr. R. J. Barnett Mr. Norton Belknap Mrs. Jane C. Bergner

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Braddock Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Brauer Dr. and Mrs. Harmar Brereton

Mrs. Sara Brewster
Mr. Roger E. Burke
Mrs. Pauline H. Bynum

Mr. Arthur B. Casper Mrs. Eleanor N. Caulkins Mr. Ellis Chernoff

Mr. Theodore Chu Ms. Emily Cornelius

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Craven

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Crawford Mr. and Mrs. Ross Dacal Mrs. Julia W. Dayton Mr. Frederick L. Dear

Dr. Stephen Dilts Mrs. Carol E. Domina

Mr. & Mrs. Ross Dacal

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis H. Dunn

Dr. and Mrs. Charles L. Dupin Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Edge

Ms. Suzanne B. Engel

Dr. Theodore L. Fellenbaum Mrs. Marina Kellen French

Ms. Connie Fullmer

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald R. Glass

Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Glaze

Mrs. Lynn C. Goldberg Ms. Beth A. Goodman

Ms. Melissa Gordon Mr. Christopher T. Clark Dr. Veronika Grimm-Matthews Dr. and Mrs. Randolph Guthrie

Mrs. Charles Henkelmann Mr. Thomas Herm

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hobart

Mr. and Mrs. James Houston Mrs. Margaret Talmadge Howell Ms. Lily Hsieh

Mr. and Mrs. William Jagoda Dr. and Mrs. Waine C. Johnson

Mr. Michael Kalkstein Mr. John Kander

Mr. & Mrs. Patrick J. Kennedy Dr. Karen and Mr. Kevin Kennedy

Mrs. Leona Kern Ms. Injoa Kim Dr. Richard Klein Ms. Swantje Knye-Levin

Mr. Daniel Kopti Mr. Thomas F. Kranz

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis W. LaBarre Mrs. Dominique F. Laffont Mr. and Mrs. Fernand Lamesch Mrs. Walter J. Laughery, Jr. Dr. Edward D. Levy, Jr.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Lightdale

Ms. Susan Malinowski

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McDowell Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Michaels

Mr. Paul Hart Miller
Ms. Joan Mitchell
MONC St. Louis District

Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Oelsner

Ms. Lisette Oropesa Mrs. Constance V. Pathy

Mr. and Ms. Lawrence T. Perera Dr. and Mrs. Macon Phillips Jr.

Prof. Lisa A. Raskin

Dr. & Mrs. Jonathan M. Raskin Dr. and Mrs. Cornelius Rosse

Mr. Milton B. Rubin

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Rustin Jr

Mrs. Christine F. Saurel

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Sharbrough

Ms. Louise Shouse
Ms. Martha Siefert
Ms. Katherine Simmons
Ms. Kimberley Smith
Ms. Dorothy Smith
Mrs. Hope G. Smith
Mrs. Charles F. Smithers
Ms. Anne Solomon

Mrs. William F. Sondericker Ms. Rhonda Sweeney Mrs. Beatrice B. Taplin Mrs. Eva Tausig

Ms. Martha J. Taylor

Mrs. Douglas Dockery Thomas

Mrs. George J. Towne

Ms. Joan Travis

Mr. and Mrs. John VanScoyoc

Dr. Wilma B. Wilcox Dr. Judith G. Wolf

Dr. and Mrs. Timothy Young Mr. and Mrs. Edward Zimmerman