

# LEANDRA RAMM MEZZO-SOPRANO AEA/AGMA/SAG-AFTRA www.leandraramm.com

Leandra Ramm is a remarkably versatile mezzo-soprano and actress with an "extraordinary voice" (*Anderson Cooper*), whose "beautiful and quite moving" (*Nordstjernan Newspaper*) performances have graced prestigious venues including Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, The United Nations, and Symphony Space. Leandra debuted in *The Endless Road* by Kurt Weill (soloist) with The American Symphony Orchestra performed in New York City at Avery Fisher Hall. Ms. Ramm recently performed the title role for San Francisco Opera Guild's tour of *La Cenerentola*, and was an alto soloist with the San Francisco Symphony in *Chichester Psalms* conducted by Michael Tilson Thomas and Bach's *Magnificat* conducted by Ragnar Bohlin. Upcoming opera engagements include solo quartet in *Little Women* with Island City Opera, Meg Page in *Falstaff* with West Bay Opera, Serafina/Spirit Woman in *La Llorona* with Opera Cultura to name just a few.

Some of Ms. Ramm's favorite experiences include performances as Mama *(Lucinda y las Flores de la Nochebuena)* with the San Francisco Opera Guild, Soul *(Ordo Virtutum)* with San Francisco Renaissance Voices, Rooster/Blue Jay *(The Cunning Little Vixen)* with West Edge Opera, Cherubino *(Le Nozze di Figaro)* with Opera San Jose, Leila *(Iolanthe)* at The Buxton Opera House (UK), and Dorabella *(Così fan Tutte)* with the Martina Arroyo Foundation.

She is also seasoned in the musical theater genre having recently starred as Judy Garland in *The Boy from Oz* at Theatre Rhinoceros and performed the roles of Tanya in *Mamma Mia!* at Woodminster Summer Musicals and Antonia in *Man of la Mancha* with the Diablo Theater Company. Ms. Ramm has also flourished in the creation of new works portraying Annie in *Hell's Kitchen the Musical* at the Hudson Guild Theater and Judith in the World Premiere of *Sacagawea* with the Willows Theatre Company. *One Night With You*, her one-woman show, ran Off-Broadway at Theatre Row, to rave reviews!

Ms. Ramm trained at the Manhattan School of Music, and completed apprenticeships and outreach tours with Arizona Opera, Toledo Opera, Opera Carolina, Des Moines Metro Opera, Sarasota Opera and New Jersey Opera. Discography, lead vocalist with Celebrity Cruises, commercials, and print... the scope of her versatility and passion for the industry is endless.



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#### OPERATIC ROLES

Serafina/Spirit Woman The Shephard/The White Cat/The Squirrel Solo Quartet La Cenerentola Mama Soul Rooster/Blue Jay Prisoner

Cherubino Dolores/Zelda Donna Curson (cover) Craig Antonia Leila

Dorabella

Hansel

Lola Rosina Meg

Housekeeper Fenena La Llorona L'enfant et les sortilèges

Little Women (Adamo) La Cenerentola Lucinda y las Flores de la Nochebuena Ordo Virtutum The Cunning Little Vixen Vireo

Le Nozze di Figaro Big Jim and the Smalltime Investors Figaro 90210 Beardsmanship Man of La Mancha Iolanthe

Così fan Tutte

Hansel and Gretel

Cavalleria Rusticana Il Barbiere di Siviglia Little Women

Fade (Weisman) Nabucco

#### Opera Cultura Pacific Symphony

Albany Records

Island City Opera San Francisco Opera Guild San Francisco Opera Guild San Francisco Renaissance Voices West Edge Opera KCET: A made for TV Opera by Lisa Bielawa Opera San Jose Center for Contemporary Opera Morningside Opera (NYC) Hunter College Chamber Orchestra Diablo Light Opera Company International G&S Festival, Buxton Opera House, UK Martina Arroyo Foundation, Prelude to Performance Center City Opera Theater, Kimmel Center Chelsea Opera New Jersey Opera Theatre Center City Opera Theater, **Kimmel Center** Philadelphia Fringe Festival Amici Opera

#### CONCERT AND ORATORIO

Alto Soloist	Miriam's Song of Triumph (Schubert) /Drei Geistliche Lieder (Mendelssohn)	San Francisco City Chorus
Alto Soloist	Magnificat (Bach)	San Francisco Symphony, Chorus Concert
Alto Soloist	Messyah (Ayres) /80 Cantata (Bach)	Cal Performances at Hertz Hall
Alto Soloist	Chichester Psalms	San Francisco Symphony (MTT, conductor)
Soloist	Songs of Robert DeGaetano	Steinway Hall
Alto soloist	Haydn's Harmoniemesse	Toledo Symphony Orchestra
DISCOGRAPHY		

Silvestra

Center for Contemporary Opera

#### EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Manhattan School of Music, Vocal Performance, Bachelor of Music

#### YOUNG ARTIST PROGRAMS

Arizona Opera Outreach Tour

Toledo Opera Resident Artist Program and Outreach tour St. Petersburg Opera Emerging Artist Program

Opera Carolina Artist in Residence Program and Outreach tour Des Moines Metro Opera Apprentice Artist Program Sarasota Opera Apprentice Artist Program New Jersey Opera Theater Young Artist Program and Summer Vocal Institute

#### AWARDS

Opera America Career Blueprints for Singers **Finalist**: The American Prize (Women in Opera), Palm

Beach Opera Competition, Giulio Gari International Competition, Connecticut Opera Guild Competition, Long Leaf Opera Competition

**Encouragement Award**: Five Town Music and Arts Foundation

Voice: Susanne Mentzer Coaches: Ragnar Bohlin, Peter Grunberg, Jonathan Khuner, Noah Lindquist Directors: Lillian Groag, Robert Neu, Mark Verzatt Conductors: Carl St. Clair, Jeffrey Thomas, Michael Tilson Thomas, Andrew Whitfield

#### THEATER

The Boy from Oz	Judy Garland	
Mamma Mia!	Tanya	Dir: John Fisher WOODMINSTER SUMMER MUSICALS
		Dir: Joel Schlader
Darwin in Malibu	Sarah	INDRA'S NET THEATER Dir: Bruce Coughran
Some People Hear Thunder	Anoush	FORT MASON CENTER
(Smoger Productions)		Dir: Kevin McGuire
Kismet in Concert	Ensemble	42 <sup>nd</sup> STREET MOON
		Dir: Daren Carollo
Celebrity Cruises	Lead Vocalist	POET THEATRICALS
(four contracts: Silhouette, Solstice, Equinox)		Dir. Michele Morrison
The Full Monty	Estelle/Pam U.S.	MEDIA THEATRE Dir. Jesse Cline
A For Adultery	Hester Prynne	LITTLE TIMES SQUARE THEATER
A FOI Additery	Hester Plynne	Dir. Marlene Thorn Taber
Man of la Mancha	Antonia	DIABLO THEATER COMPANY
		Dir. Dianna Shuster
Win Win Power Auction	Soloist	LA MAMA
		Dir. Uwe Mengel
One Night With You	Self (Theatre Row, NYC)	UNITED SOLO THEATER FESTIVAL
		Dir. Andrew Lonsdale
Hell's Kitchen The Musical	Annie	
Saharava	ENSEMBLE and ALTO FLUTE	Dir. Joann Oakes
Sallalava	ENSEMBLE and ALTO FLOTE	NY INT'L FRINGE FESTIVAL Dir. Fahad Siadat
Sacagawea (World Premiere)	Judith/Featured Dancer	WILLOWS THEATRE COMPANY Dir: Vanessa Miller

#### SPECIAL SKILLS

**Dialects:** British, Southern, French, Italian **Instruments:** Piano, Organ, Flute, Alto Flute

# **CRITICAL ACCLAIM**

The Boy from Oz, Theatre Rhinoceros at Gateway Theatre



"A chance meeting with Judy Garland (Leandra Ramm) belting "All I wanted was a Dream" was almost a show stopper." *-Kedar Adour, For All Events* 

"Powerful Leandra Ramm looks so much like Judy Garland and belts her songs with such authority that she gives us a chill." *-Barry David Horwitz, Theatrius.com*  "Leandra Ramm also delivered a surprisingly convincing Judy Garland impression." -Kate Tinney, The Daily Californian

"Leandra Ramm turns in a strong performance as Garland, managing to capture the legend's spirit without resorting to either mimicry or camp."

-Jim Gladstone, The Bay Area Reporter

"Leandra Ramm proves the attached mike is not at all needed as she lifts her Garland-like vibrato and sings with exceptionally deep resonance 'All I Wanted Was the Dream.' Her end-of-song, sustained crescendos do not disappoint Judy fans in the audience; and neither does her swagger or ruby red lips that pucker and protrude as she talks.

Ms. Ramm is the evening's star, as particularly seen when she vibrates in a warning voice edging on full anger, 'Don't Wish Too Hard'"

-Eddie Reynolds, Theatre Eddys

"Anyone attempting to produce The Boy From Oz can only move forward with a highly energetic triple threat (actor-singer-dancer) on board. I'm happy to report that Fisher lucked out with the casting of Justin Genna... along with Leandra Ramm as Judy Garland." -George Heymont, My Cultural Landscape

#### PETER, JUDY, AND LIZA ARE ALL WOWING THEATRE RHINO THIS FALL

"Judy Garland played by the enthusiastic Leandra Ramm... Ramm sings "All I Wanted Was the Dream"... Judy's contribution to "Quiet Please, There's a Lady on Stage," were show stopping...As Judy and Liza, Ramm and Walker go far beyond celebrity impersonation, creating solid characters and emphasizing their vulnerability as well as their show biz strength and brass. They are a believable mother-daughter team...Judy/Liza look perfect with no camp." -Vince Vmediaa, VMedia



## Mamma Mia, Woodminster Summer Musicals



#### Oakland hills are alive with the sound of ... ABBA

"Leandra Ramm and Krista Wigle considerably enliven the proceedings as Donna's old friends and former bandmates — vampy multiple-divorcee Tanya and laid-back, cheerful Rosie, respectively."

-Sam Hurwitt, Mercury News

#### The worldwide jukebox hit 'Mamma Mia' opens the 51st Season of Woodminster Summer Musicals

"...the wealthy and pampered three-time divorcé Tanya, played by the superb Leandra Ramm...Ramm and Wigle have some of the best lines in the show....the actresses rally and excel in the pumped up second act."

-Vince Vmediaa, www.vmediabackstage.com/





## The Cunning Little Vixen, West Edge Opera

"The voices were both distinctive and blended, producing a beautiful, full sound...most notably Leandra Ramm, whose clear soprano and exaggerated strut were perfect for the rooster." *www.bachtrack.com* 



"Leandra Ramm strutted with purpose as the hormonal rooster." *The Mercury News* 

# Man of La Mancha presented by Diablo Light Opera Company



"...the voices of the protagonists were delightful, especially that of...Leandra Ramm, who sang "I'm only thinking of him". *sftribune.com* 

\*the above quote is translated from Spanish

"...the music alone is reason to see the show. Such songs as... "I'm Only Thinking of Him" (well done by Leandra Ramm)... linger in the memory." – DLOC show has strong ensemble by Sally Hogarty, Contra Costa Times

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# Così fan Tutte, Martina Arroyo Foundation Prelude to Performance

"...The arias and recitatives were sung beautifully and the difficult ensembles were executed with considerable precision. The acting was also on a high, professional level. The singers included...Leandra Ramm (Dorabella)...Each of the artists received individual ovations for their arias and the ensembles were rewarded with much applause." *-Prelude Caps Off Another Stellar Season by Raoul Abdul, New Amsterdam News* 



## Darwin in Malibu, Indra's Net Theater

"...Sarah, played by Leandra Ramm, who does bring a fine singing voice to the party."

-Victor Cordell, For All Events

#### Darwin in Malibu Surfs Big Ideas, at Indra's Net Theater, Berkeley

"...Sarah (the vivacious, sardonic Leandra Ramn), a young, California beach girl" *-Bob Gardner, Theatrius.com* 



### **Opera Repertoire**

Adamo *Meg, \*Jo - Little Women* 

Barber *\*Erika - Vanessa* 

Bellini *Romeo - I Capuleti e I Montecchi* 

Bernstein *\*Dinah - Trouble in Tahiti* 

Bizet *Mercedes, \*Carmen - Carmen* 

Britten Nancy - Albert Herring

Donizetti Smeton - Anna Bolena Alisa - Lucia di Lammermoor \*Sara - Roberto Devereux

Gluck Orfeo - Orfeo ed Euridice

Gilbert and Sullivan *Leila - Iolanthe* 

Gounod *Siebel - Faust Stephano - Roméo et Juliette* 

Händel *\*Ruggerio - Alcina \*Ariodante - Ariodante \*Serse - Serse* 

Humperdink *Hänsel - Hänsel und Gretel* 

Mascagni *Lola - Cavalleria Rusticana* 

### **Concert Repertoire**

Bach – *Magnificat* Beethoven – *9th Symphony* \*Duruflé – *Requiem* Händel – *Messiah* Haydn – *Harmoniemesse* Mendelssohn – *Drei Geistliche Lieder* Mozart – *Requiem* Schubert – *Miriam's Song of Triumph* Vivaldi – *Gloria*  Massenet \*Cendrillon, \*Le Prince Charmant – Cendrillon \*Charlotte – Werther

Mozart Dorabella - Così fan Tutte Zweite Dame - Die Zauberflöte Zerlina - Don Giovanni Cherubino - Le Nozze di Figaro \*Idamante – Idomeneo \*Sesto - La Clemenza di Tito

Offenbach *\*Nicklausse - Les Contes d'Hoffmann* 

Puccini *Suzuki, Kate Pinkerton - Madama Butterfly* 

Purcell *Dido - Dido and Aeneas* 

Rossini *Rosina - II Barbiere di Siviglia Angelina, Tisbe - La Cenerentola \*Isabella - L'italiana in Algeri* 

J. Strauss Prinz Orlofsky - Die Fledermaus

R. Strauss \*Octavian - Der Rosenkavalier \*Komponist - Ariadne auf Naxos

Tchaikovsky *\*Olga - Eugene Onegin* 

Verdi Fenena – Nabucco Flora - La Traviata Meg Page - Falstaff Maddalena – Rigoletto



\*In Preparation



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