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Opera Roles

Liu	<i>Turandot</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2024
Soprano	<i>Neither (one-woman opera)</i>	Theater Basel	2024-2025
Gutrune	<i>Götterdämmerung</i>	Theater Basel	2024
Katja Kabanova	<i>Katja Kabanova</i>	Theater Bielefeld	2024
Manon Lescaut	<i>Manon Lescaut</i>	Stadtheater Klagenfurt	2023-2024
Elsa	<i>Lohengrin</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2023
Micaela	<i>Carmen</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2023
Salome	<i>Salome</i>	Theater Basel	2022-2023
Salome	<i>Salome</i>	Theater Winterthur	2023
Cio-Cio-San	<i>Madama Butterfly</i>	Oper Frankfurt	2022
Violetta	<i>La traviata</i>	Oper Graz	2022-2023
The Four Heroines	<i>Les contes d'Hoffmann</i>	Deutsche Oper Berlin	2018-2019, 2022
Antonia, Giulietta	<i>Les contes d'Hoffmann</i>	Komische Oper Berlin	2022+
Kristina	<i>Věc Makropulos</i>	Royal Opera Covent Garden	2021 +
Gänsemagd	<i>Königskinder</i>	Oper Frankfurt	2021
La Contessa	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Oper Frankfurt	2021
Gilda	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Deutsche Oper Berlin	2021+
Gilda	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2021+
Violetta	<i>La traviata</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2015-2016, 2021+
Susanna	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Oper Frankfurt	2021+
Saffi	<i>Der Zigeunerbaron</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2020+
Sophie	<i>Werther</i>	Oper Frankfurt	2020
Cherubino	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2020-2022, 2024
Donna Anna	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Oper Frankfurt	2020+
Zerbinetta	<i>Ariadne auf Naxos</i>	Royal Danish Opera	2020+
Adina	<i>L'elisir d'amore</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2020+
Salome	<i>Salome</i>	Theater Luzern	2019-2020
Donna Anna	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Teatro Lirico di Cagliari	2019
Alcina	<i>Alcina</i>	The Bolshoi Theatre	2017-2019
Sophie	<i>Werther</i>	Royal Opera Covent Garden	2016, 2019
Mimi	<i>La bohème</i>	Komische Oper Berlin	2019
Waldvogel	<i>Siegfried</i>	Royal Opera Covent Garden	2018
Donna Elvira	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2018-2019, 2022
Oscar	<i>Un ballo in maschera</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2018
Königin der Nacht	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Deutsche Oper Berlin	2017-2018
Fiordiligi	<i>Così fan tutte</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2015, 2018
Konstanze	<i>Die Entführung aus dem Serail</i>	West Green House Festival Opera	2017
Woglinde	<i>Götterdämmerung</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2017-2018
Konstanze	<i>Die Entführung aus dem Serail</i>	Staatsoper Kassel	2017
Tabarco	<i>Almira</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2017
Lulu (cover)	<i>Lulu</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2017
Ascagne	<i>Les Troyans</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2017
Konstanze	<i>Die Entführung aus dem Serail</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2015-2017
Musetta	<i>La bohème</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2016-2017
Frasquita	<i>Carmen</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2015-2017
Musetta	<i>La bohème</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2014-2017
Alcina	<i>Alcina</i>	Staatsoper Stuttgart	2016
Liù	<i>Turandot</i>	l'Opéra Royal de Wallonie Liège	2016
Alcina	<i>Alcina</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2016
Euridice	<i>Orfeo ed Euridice</i>	Staatsoper Wiesbaden	2015-2016
Barbarina	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Royal Opera Covent Garden	2015
Barbarina	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Staatstheater Wiesbaden	2015
Lucy	<i>Die Dreigroschenoper</i>	Staatstheater Wiesbaden	2015-2016
Tytania	<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	Staatsoper Hannover	2014
Oscar	<i>Un ballo in maschera</i>	Staatsoper Hannover	2013-2014
Zerlina	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Staatsoper Hannover	2014

Musetta	<i>La bohème</i>	Staatsoper Hannover	2013
Frasquita	<i>Carmen</i>	Staatsoper Hannover	2013
Gretel	<i>Hänsel und Gretel</i>	Macon Symphony Orchestra	2012
Königin der Nacht	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	St. Louis Symphony Orchestra	2012
Yniold (cover)	<i>Pelleas and Melisande</i>	Opera Theatre of St. Louis	2012
Musetta (concert)	<i>La bohème</i>	Crested Butte Music Festival	2010
Barbarina	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Crested Butte Music Festival	2009

+ Cancelled due to COVID-19

Concert

Soprano soloist	<i>Symphony Nine</i> (Beethoven)	Orchestra Verdi di Milano	2022
Soprano soloist	<i>Symphony Four</i> (Mahler)	Accademia Nazionale di Santa Cecilia	2020+
Soprano soloist	<i>Symphony Nine</i> (Beethoven)	Hamburger Symphoniker	2020
Soprano soloist	<i>Symphony Two</i> (Mahler)	Moscow State Symphony	2019
Soprano soloist	<i>War Requiem</i> (Britten)	Nationaltheater-Orchesters Mannheim	2018
Soprano soloist	<i>Symphony Nine</i> (Beethoven)	Xi'an Symphony (China)	2017
Mater gloriosa	<i>Symphony Eight</i> (Mahler)	Dresdener Philharmonie	2017
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Soprano soloist	<i>Messiah</i> (Handel)	Dresdener Philharmonie	2015
Soprano soloist	<i>Carmina Burana</i> (Orff)	Dortmunder Philharmoniker	2015
Soprano soloist	<i>Carmina Burana</i> (Orff)	Münchner Symphoniker	2014
Soprano soloist	<i>Mass in G</i> (Schubert)	Carnegie Hall (Stern)	2013
Soprano soloist	<i>Ein deutsches Requiem</i> (Brahms)	The Virginia Consort	2013
Soprano soloist	<i>Requiem</i> (Verdi)	Kirchenmusik an St. Sebald	2012

Recital/Gala, Recording

Liederabend with Lukas Rommelspacher, Richard Wagner Museum, Bayreuth Festival, August 2023

Liederabend, AIDS Foundation Berlin, May 2023

Soloist, International AIDS Benefit, April 2018; Beethoven Orchestra Bonn

West Green House Festival Opera (London), March 2018; Lieder/Sonatenabend (soprano/violin); Killian Farrell, Piano

International cinema relay: Sophie/Werther at Royal Opera House (Pappano, Di Donato, Grigolo, Bizic)

Staatsoper Wiesbaden, December 2017; Lieder/Sonatenabend (soprano/violin); Killian Farrell, Piano

Converse College, January 2015; An Evening with Richard Strauss; Mildred Roache, Piano

Conductors: Antonio Pappano, Antonello Manacorda, Piergiorgio Morandi, Edward Gardner, Andrea Marcon, Michael Sanderling, Eliahu Inbal, Ivor Bolton, Konrad Junghanel, Gary Wedow, Ward Stare, David Syrus

Stage Directors: Katie Mitchell, RB Schlather, Herbert Fritch, Nicholas Brieger, Uwe Eric Laufenberg, Benedikt von Peter, Ingo Kerkhof, Thorlifur Arnarsson, Jossi Wieler, Jose Cura

Awards and Honors

2019 Nominee for Best Actress in an Opera—Golden Mask Awards, Russia

2012 Savonlinna Opera Festival International Singing Competition (Savonlinna, Finland)—First prize

2012 International Hans Gabor Belvedere Competition (Wien, Österreich)—Sonderpreis der Oper Graz

2006 Davidson Fellow Laureate

Education

Continuing vocal studies with **Edith Wiens** and **Neil Shicoff**

The Juilliard School, Master of Music (voice) 2010-2013; Studio of **Edith Wiens**

The Cleveland Institute of Music, Bachelor of Music (voice, music theory, minor studies in violin) 2007-2010; Studio of **Mary Schiller**

Opera Theatre of Saint Louis Gerdine Young Artist, 2011

Crested Butte Music Festival Young Artist, 2009-2010

Special Skills: absolute pitch, 16 years violin study, degree in music theory, walking large dog, German level C1

"Heather Engebretson thrills as Madama Butterfly... Cheers swelled for Heather Engebretson when she stepped in front of the curtain alone on Sunday evening after her stunning debut of Puccini's "Madama Butterfly" at the Frankfurt Opera. Her deeply moving incarnation of Cio-Cio -San, who she gave tragic greatness with courageous use of body and voice, left no one in the full opera house indifferent." --Music Today

"Her scenic ease and aura she exudes have no equal on stage today excepting Asmik Grigorian, and the show is worth the trip just to admire this beast of the stage who fascinates from beginning to end! Vocally, the goods are there as well... it is incredible to witness the thrilling projection of which this small woman of barely forty-five kilos is capable, surmounting the climaxes of the score in Salome's final scene." --Opera Online