



# DORCAS GILES SIMMER

## Lyric Soprano

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### Performance Experience

#### ROLES

Zerlina	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Opera MODO	2017
Julia Child	<i>Bon Appetit!</i>	Opera MODO	2017
Elizabeth	<i>Sweets by Kate</i>	Opera MODO	2017
Mrs. Nolan	<i>The Medium</i>	Opera MODO	2016
Kate Pinkerton	<i>Madama Butterfly</i>	Toledo Opera	2015
Dido	<i>Dido and Aeneas</i>	MUSOT	2015
Julia Child	<i>Bon Appetit!</i>	Opera MODO	2015
Mrs. Ham	<i>Noye's Fludde</i>	Opera Grand Rapids	2015
Le Prince Charmant	<i>Cendrillon</i>	Opera MODO	2015
The First Spirit	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Manhattan Opera Studio	2014
Papagena (cover)	<i>Die Zauberflöte</i>	Manhattan Opera Studio	2014
The wife	<i>Le pauvre matelot (English)</i>	Western Michigan University	2013
Soloist	<i>Die Fledermaus: A Night at the Ball</i>	Western Michigan University	2013
Tina	<i>The Red Mill</i>	Comic Opera Guild	2012

#### CHORUS

Chorus	<i>Turandot</i>	Detroit Symphony Orchestra	2018+
Chorus	<i>Tosca</i>	Michigan Opera Theatre	2018+
Chorus	<i>Roméo et Juliette</i>	Toledo Opera	2016
Chorus	<i>Carmen</i>	Opera Grand Rapids	2014
Chorus	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	Opera Grand Rapids	2013

### Concert & Recital

Soloist	<i>Handel Messiah</i>	Early Music Festival of Detroit	2018+
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Soloist	Bach Cantata No. 11	Clawson United Methodist Church	2015
Soloist	Bach Cantata No. 18	WMU Collegium Musicum	2014
Soloist	Bach Cantata No. 51	Kalamazoo, Michigan	2014
Soloist	Pergolesi <i>Stabat Mater</i>	Kalamazoo, Michigan	2013
Soloist	<i>Mundo</i> , Mexican Premier	Opera Maya, Tulum, Mexico	2013
Soloist	Bach <i>Magnificat</i>	Kalamazoo Bach Chorus	2012

### Awards & Distinctions

Nicholas Loren Vocal Competition	Semi-finalist	Holland, Michigan	2014
Orpheus National Music Competition	Semi-finalist	Murfreesboro, Tennessee	2014
William C. Byrd Competition	Semi-finalist	Flint, Michigan	2014
Graduate Award for Excellence in Teaching	Honorable Mention	Western Michigan University	2014
NATS Student Auditions, Category 13	First Place	Michigan Auditions, Ypsilanti, MI	2013
Papaya Playa Competition	Third Place	Opera Maya, Tulum, Mexico	2013
NATS Student Auditions, Category 13	Second Place	Great Lakes Region, Kalamazoo, MI	2013
WMU Concerto Competition	First Place	Kalamazoo, Michigan	2013

### Training

Toledo Opera	Resident Artist '15-'16	Toledo, OH	2016
American Institute of Musical Studies (AIMS)	Young Artist	Graz, Austria	2013
Opera Maya	Young Artist	Tulum, Mexico	2013

### Teachers

Curt Peters  
 Karen Kness  
 Elizabeth Hagedorn  
 Caroline Rogers

### Coaches

Jean Schneider  
 Ahmed Anzaldúa  
 Steven McGhee  
 Jacqueline Csurgai-Schmitt

### Conductors

Sara Jobin  
 Sigurd Hinnemann  
 Robert Lyall  
 Suzanne Mallare Acton

### Directors

Eric Gibson  
 D. Terry Williams  
 Matthew Lata  
 Robert Swedberg

### Master Classes

Ellen Hargis  
 Michèle Crider  
 Marius Stieghorst  
 John Cimino

### Additional Experience

Staff Singer	Cathedral Church of St. Paul	Detroit, MI	2016-present
Graduate Assistant: Vocal Performance	Western Michigan University	Kalamazoo, MI	2012-2014

### Education

Western Michigan University	M. Music, Vocal Performance	Kalamazoo, MI	2012-2014
Hillsdale College	B.A. Music, Vocal Performance	Hillsdale, MI	2002-2006

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