



DORCAS GILES SIMMER

Soprano

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Performance Experience

ROLES

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
Suzy	<i>Le Nozze di Tutte (World Premier)</i>	Hillsdale College	2005
Mary	<i>Of Thee I Sing</i>	Hillsdale College Tower Players	2004

SCENES

First wood sprite	<i>Rusalka</i>	Arbor Opera Theater	2012
Rodelinda	<i>Rodelinda</i>	Arbor Opera Theater	2012
Lakmé	<i>Lakmé</i>	Arbor Opera Theater	2012
Susanna, Countess	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>	Arbor Opera Theater	2011
Poppea	<i>L'incoronazione di Poppea</i>	Arbor Opera Theater	2011

CHORUS

Chorus	<i>Samson and Delilah</i>	Opera Grand Rapids	2012
Chorus	<i>La Boheme</i>	Arbor Opera Theater	2012
Chorus	<i>Carmina Burana</i>	Michigan Opera Theatre	2011
Chorus	<i>Carmen</i>	Arbor Opera Theater	2011
Chorus	<i>The Grand Duchess of Gerolstein</i>	Comic Opera Guild	2011
Chorus	<i>Lucia di Lammermoor</i>	Arbor Opera Theater	2010

Concert & Recital

Soloist	<i>Mundo, Mexican Premier</i>	Opera Maya, Tulum, Mexico	2013
Soloist	<i>Bach Magnificat</i>	Kalamazoo Bach Chorus	2012

Awards & Distinctions

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, MI	2013
Harold Haugh Light Opera Competition	Semi-finalist	Jackson, MI	2012

Training

American Institute of Musical Studies (AIMS)	Young Artist	Graz, Austria	2013
Opera Maya	Young Artist	Tulum, Mexico	2013
Arbor Opera Theater	Studio Artist	Ann Arbor, MI	2012
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Teachers

Dr. Karen Kness
Elizabeth Hagedorn
Caroline Rogers
Melissa Osmond

Coaches

Ahmed Anzaldua
John Kolody
Jacqueline Csurgai-Schmitt
Shawn McDonald

Conductors

Sigurd Hinnemann
Robert Lyall
Suzanne Mallare Acton
Warren Puffer Jones

Directors

Matthew Lata
Robert Swedberg

Master Classes

Michèle Crider
John Cimino

Additional Experience

Graduate Assistant: Vocal Performance	Western Michigan University	Kalamazoo, MI	2012- 2014
Staff Singer	St. John's Episcopal Church	Detroit, MI	2009-present
Choral Manager	Hillsdale College	Hillsdale, MI	2002-2006
Box Office Assistant Manager	Actor's Theatre of Atlanta	Atlanta, GA	2002-2003

Education

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

⁺upcoming
[‡]anticipated