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Curriculum Vitae

CURRENT POSITIONS

- 1988 to present Self employed Principal Mezzo soprano
- 2010 to present Artistic Director | General Manager | Board Member of The Joan Sutherland & Richard Bonynge Foundation
- Artistic Director Elizabeth Connell Prize
- Trustee Elizabeth Connell Scholarship
- Masterclasses | Private Singing Teacher | Mentor | Coach | Advisor to Singers

WORK EXPERIENCE

MEZZO SOPRANO

International

Royal Opera House Covent Garden

Semperoper Dresden

Glyndebourne Touring Opera

English National Opera

Welsh National Opera

Scottish Opera

Buxton Festival

Flanders Philharmonic

London Symphony Orchestra

London Philharmonic

Royal Scottish National Orchestra

Rossini Festival, Wildbad Germany

Madrid Orchestra

Edinburgh Festival

Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment

New Zealand Opera Company

Victorian Opera - Manchester

Australia

Opera Australia

Victoria State Opera

West Australian Opera

Lyric Opera of Queensland

Sydney Symphony Orchestra

Sydney Philharmonia

Sydney Orchestra

Queensland Symphony Orchestra

West Australian Symphony Orchestra

Adelaide Symphony Orchestra

Melbourne Symphony Orchestra

Melbourne Philharmonia Melbourne Chamber Orchestra

OTHER COMPANIES

Masterclasses

- Joan Sutherland & Richard Bonynge Foundation
- Pacific Opera
- Lyric Opera Queensland

International Singing Competition Judge

- Elizabeth Connell Prize ROH Covent Garden, The Metropolitan Opera, San Francisco Conservatory, Vienna Staastsoper, Opera Australia
- Joan Sutherland & Richard Bonynge Bel Canto Award Australia
- McDonalds Sydney Eisteddfod
- Herald Sun Aria Melbourne
- Australian Singing Competition Sydney

1984 - 1988 Opera Australia

- Personal Assistant to the Artistic Administrator artist liaison
- Personal Assistant to the head of the Marketing Department
- Company Archivalist

1982 - 1984 Routley & Routley, Chartered Accountants Office Junior/receptionist/clerk.





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DUTIES & SKILLS

As Artistic Director | General Manager | Trustee | Board Member

- Director and creator of the Joan Sutherland & Richard Bonynge Bel Canto Award (2010) and Elizabeth Connell Prize International Singing Competition (2014).
- Liaising with singers and judges, venue hire, ticket sales, caterers, organising sponsorship & VIP function, running of the Heats, Semi Final and Final, judging, programme graphic design and content.
- Liaising with Board Members, the Artistic Advisory Board and Committee.
- Organising and attending Board Meetings, committee meetings & AGM's.
- Writing, designing, creating and printing of flyers, programmes, newsletters, donation and sponsorship letters.
- Creating the year's diary of events in consultation with Board and Committee members.
- Artistic Director and casting of singers, accompanists and formulating concert programmes.
- Orchestral liaison.
- Director and project manager for an annual Gala Fundraising dinner for 800 guests.
- Liaising with the Prime Minister and NSW Governor's office.
- Script writing for comperes.
- Liaising with the Media, writing & sending out media releases.
- Maintaining website.
- Marketing and Advertising.
- Liaising with other arts organisations worldwide.
- Re-writing the Constitution and liaising with ROCO and ACNC.
- Prepare yearly trust accounts.
- Updating and maintenance of a Database.

As a Freelance Singer

- Performed over 40 principal mezzo soprano roles/oratorio in opera and in concert, nationally and internationally since 1988.
- Major soloist on nine opera Cd recordings and three Opera Australia opera videos.
- Extensive operatic repertoire knowledge of all voice types and roles.
- Knowledge of Italian, French and German.

Other skills

- Good general computer skills and graphic design skills using MS Word, Excel & Publisher.
- Good Project Management and multi tasking skills.

Education, Study, Courses

- 1977-1979 Killara High School | 1980-1982 Pittwater High School
- 1984 1988 Extension Studies Singing Student, Sydney Conservatorium of Music
- 1988 Dante Alighieri Italian language training
- 2009 Real Estate Agents Licence
- 1980 to present Studying the art of singing with international teachers and coaches.

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References - available on request

- Richard Bonynge AC CBE International conductor
- Lady Potter AC Patron of the Arts, Philanthropist
- Andrew Sinclair Director at Royal Opera House Covent Garden
- Brian FitzGerald Opera Director

Awards, Honours

- Joan Sutherland Society Scholarship
- Marianne Mathy Scholarship
- Vienna State Opera Award
- Bull Fellowship
- Inaugural Remy Martin Scholarship
- Green Room Award for best leading Female Performer for Adalgisa in *Norma* and Angelina in *La Cenerentola*, both for Opera Australia.
- Helpmann Award Nomination for Norma

Recordings

- Verdi Requiem Melbourne Philharmonia
- Beethoven 9th Sir Charles Mackerras Edinburgh Festival
- Semiramide Richard Bonynge Rossini Festival Wildbad Germany
- Rodelinda Richard Bonynge Sydney Lyric Orchestra
- Lurline Richard Bonynge Victoria Opera UK
- Pulcinella Naxos
- Mozart Centenary Opera Australia
- Parisina Highlights Opera Rara UK
- Don Giovanni DVD (Zerlina) Opera Australia
- Cosi fan tutte DVD (Dorabella) Opera Australia
- 50th Anniversary Gala Concert DVD

Resource Publications

Who's Who of International Music Who's Who of Australian Women Contemporary Australian Women

Interests

Opera, Music, Collecting Art, Writing, Travel, Cooking and Gardening.

Note

I lived in London U.K. for fifteen years and have travelled extensively throughout the world for work. I currently travel to the USA, Europe and the UK each year for work from Australia.

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Repertoire

BEETHOVEN Alto Solo 9th Symphony Alto Solo Mass in C

Alto Solo Missa Solemnis

BELLINI Adalgisa Norma

Romeo I Capuleti e I Montecchi BERLIOZ Ascanio

Les Troyens Juliette Romeo et Juliette

Margherite La Damnation de Faust

BIZET Mercedes Carmen

ELGAR Anael Dream of Gerontius

GOUNOD Siebel Faust HANDEL Bertarido Rodelinda Nero Agrippina

Giulio Cesare Sesto Ariodante Ariodante

L'Allegro il Penseroso Alto Solo

Alto Solo Messiah

MAHLER Alto Solo Symphony No. 2 Symphony No. 3 Alto Solo

MASCAGNI Lola Cavalleria Rusticana

MASSENET Javotte Manon MEYERBEER Scitalce Meyerbeer

MOZART Sesto La clemenze di Tito La clemenza di Tito Annio Donna Elvira Don Giovanni Zerlina Don Giovanni

Dorabella Cosi fan tutte Zweite Damme The Magic Flute Idamante Idomeneo Le nozze di Figaro Cherubino

Alto Solo Requiem Alto Solo Stabat Mater Madama Butterfly Kate Pinkerton Angelina La Ceneretola

Tisbe La Cenerentola Isabella L'Italiana in Algeri Il barbiere di Siviglia Rosina Alto Solo Stabat Mater Alto Solo Petite Solenelle Alto Solo Coronation Mass

Alto Solo Mass in A Flat Komponist Ariadne auf Naxos

STRAVINSKY Alto Solo Pulcinella Mistress Quickly Falstaff **VERDI**

Peg Page Falstaff Alto Solo Requiem Ghiva Lurline

Roles in Preparation

PERGOLESI

PUCCINI

ROSSINI

SCHUBERT

R. STRAUSS

WALLACE

DONIZETTI Giovanna Seymour Anna Bolena **WAGNER** Brangane Tristan und Isolde

Waultraute The Ring Cycle