Namrata Shah - Soprano

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Education & Employment

01/22 - 04/22 Mentee - Pegasus & Glyndebourne Mentorship Programme, UK

2017 – 20 Maternity

2017 - Present Baraka Opera Kenya Primary Schools' Concerts Team Leader

2015 – 16 One Year Opera Course – Associated Studios, London, UK

2012 – 14 Lecturer in Music & Voice, KM Music Conservatory, Chennai, India 2010 - 12 MA in Vocal Performance and Music, Leeds College of Music, UK

2006 - 09 BA Hons in Music, Leeds University, UK

<u>Current Teacher:</u> Anita Morrison <u>Previous:</u> Sally Silver, Nasrin Rossman, Jane Anthony, Andrew Padmore

Performance Experience

Opera - Roles and Scenes

Medea (title role), *Medea Gosperia*, 'Thee Black Swan Theatre and Opera', London, UK (July 2024 – 3 week run) Iris, *Semele*, 'Ensemble Orquesta', London, UK (May 2024)

Wellgunde, Götterdämmerung, 'Ring-Gafa – Gafa Arts Collective', London, UK (Nov 2021)

Manon and Marie, Manon by Massenet and Le Fille du Regiment 'Woolwich Opera Works Scenes' (Dec 2016)

Oscar and Pamina, *Un Ballo in Maschero* and *Die Zauberflote*, 'Associated Studios Opera Scenes' (Jun 2016)

Michaela and Mercedes, Carmen 'Associated Studios Opera Scenes', London, UK (Jan 2016)

Zerlina, Don Giovanni 'Opera for School Fees Company', Nairobi, Kenya and Arusha, Tanzania (Nov 2014)

Second Dame and Second Knabe, *Die Zauberflöte* 'Lyric Opera Studio of Weimar', Germany (Aug 2014)

Despina, Cosi fan tutte, 'Opera for School Fees Charity Scenes Concert', Nairobi, Kenya (June 2012)

Giannetta, L'Elisir D'amore, 'Opera Scenes Gala Concert', Rawdon, UK (Oct 2011)

Fiordiligi, Cosi Fan Tutte, 'Twilight Opera Duets Postgraduate Students Showcase', Leeds, UK (Oct 2011)

Despina, Cosi fan Tutte, 'Amnesty Fundraiser Opera Scenes Concert', Rawdon, UK (May 2011)

Countess (understudy), Le Nozze de *Figaro*, Leeds College of Music, Leeds, UK (March 2011)

Aurora, Orpheus in the Underworld, 'Leeds Youth Opera Production', Leeds, UK (Feb 2010)

Elizabeth Keckley, Appomattox, 'Leeds Youth Opera Production', Leeds, UK (July 2009)

Viclinda, I Lombardi, 'Leeds Youth Opera Production', Leeds, UK (Feb 2009)

Opera - Chorus

R'Otello – The Rugby Opera, 'GAFA Arts', London, UK (Sept 2019)

The Rake's Progress, Idomeneo, 'British Youth Opera Chorus Scenes', London, UK (Aug 2011)

The Nightingale and the Rose, 'Leeds Youth Opera Premiere Production', Leeds, UK (July 2008)

Carmina Burana, 'Leeds Youth Opera Production', Leeds, UK (July 2008)

The Mikado, 'Leeds University Opera Society Full Production' Leeds, UK (April 2008)

Carmen, 'Leeds University Opera Society Full Production', Leeds, UK (March 2007)



Concerts, Education Work & Oratorio

Baraka Opera Kenya – 'The Rain Show – Primary Schools' Concert Tour' – Makueni & Nairobi, Kenya (Feb 2024 & August 2023)

Christmas Recital - 'Christmas at Parklife Café,' London, UK, (Dec 2023)

Recital with flute and cello – 'Concert By Candlelight', Nairobi, Kenya (August 2022)

Soprano & Guitar - 'Baraka Opera Trust's International Women's Day Tea Party', Kenya (March 2021)

Solos and duets - 'GAFA Arts Christmas Cabaret Concert', London, UK (Dec 2019)

Kenya School Concerts Tour - '20 min Staged Performances for Primary Schools', Nairobi, Kenya (Jul 2019)

Scenes - Duetto Buffo Di Duo Gatti, Rossini 'Opening of Randago Musical Orchard', Kisumu, Kenya (April 2019)

Debussy and Rodrigo songs 'Associated Studios Art Song Evening' (March 2016)

Solo arias, 'Divas, Three Sopranos, One Stage', Nairobi, Kenya (Sept 2014)

Solo arias, 'Operation Classics with the Moipei Quartet', Nairobi, Kenya (Jul & Aug 2014)

'Moonlit Melodies', 45 minute opera and song recital, Alliance Français of Madras, Chennai, India (April 2013), Cluny's Music School, Pondicherry, India (Feb 2013)

Soloist, 'The Leeds Lieder Troubadours concert', Leeds, UK (Dec 2011 & Jan 2012)

Soloist, *Mass in D*, Dvorak, Leeds College of Music, Leeds, UK (May 2011)

Soloist for Kenya National Youth Orchestra at Braeburn Theatre, 'Bernard Gilmore's 5 Folk Songs for Wind Band', Nairobi, Kenya (April 2011)

Soloist, Messiah, Handel, Leeds College of Music, Leeds, UK (Feb 2011)

Soloist, 'Ripon Cathedral Lunchtime Concerts' Ripon, UK (Oct 2010–11)

Competitions

Best Singer Award, One Art One World Competition, - Bromley, UK (June 2023)

1st prize in British song class and Finalist at York Festival of Competitive Singing, York, UK (Nov 2011)

1st prize in Opera class; 2nd prize in French song class, Pontefract Music Competition, Pontefract, UK (April 2011)

2nd in French song class, York Competitive Festival of Singing, York, UK (Nov 2010)

1st prize in German song class, 2nd prize in French song class, Wharfedale Music Competition, UK (May 2010)

Winner of Premier Finalist's trophy, Pontefract Music Competition, Pontefract, UK (Feb 2010)

Languages

Modules in Higher Spanish, Intermediate French (Leeds University), Basic Italian (Leeds College of Music) and B1 level German (Deutsch Course in Austria for 6 months).