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ARIZONA

DISTRICT AUDITIONS

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National Semifinals

Sunday, May 9, 2021

Grand Finals Concert

Sunday, May 16, 2021

The Semifinals and Grand Finals are currently scheduled to take place at the Met. We are closely monitoring the COVID-19 pandemic and will make alternate arrangements in compliance with any and all necessary safety and health regulations in place during the spring of 2021.

For up to date auditions results, alumni news, and other general information, follow @MONCAuditions on Facebook and Instagram.

NATIONAL COUNCIL AUDITIONS

The Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions program cultivates young opera singers and assists in the development of their careers. The Auditions are held annually in 39 districts and 12 regions of the United States, Canada, and Mexico—all administered by dedicated National Council members and volunteers. Winners of the region auditions advance to compete in the national semifinals. National finalists are then selected and compete in the Grand Finals Concert. During the 2020–21 season, the auditions are being held virtually via livestream. Singers compete for prize money and receive feedback from judges at all levels of the competition.

Many of the world’s greatest singers, among them Lawrence Brownlee, Anthony Roth Costanzo, Renée Fleming, Lisette Oropesa, Eric Owens, and Frederica von Stade, have won the Auditions. More than 100 former auditioners appear on the Met roster each season.

The National Council is grateful to its donors for prizes at the national level and to the Tobin Endowment for the Mrs. Edgar Tobin Award, given to each first-place region winner.

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EDUCATION FUND

Education Fund grants are available to contestants of the National Council Auditions who reach the semifinal round or further and demonstrate improved skills in a follow-up audition; each eligible contestant may be granted a total of up to \$5,000 upon multiple hearings within three years from when the contestant competed in the National Council Semifinals.

To learn more about donating to the National Council Auditions or the Education Fund, please visit metopera.org/MONCSupport.

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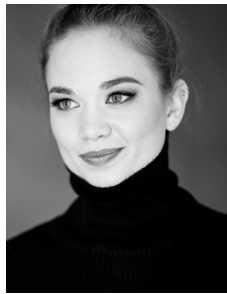
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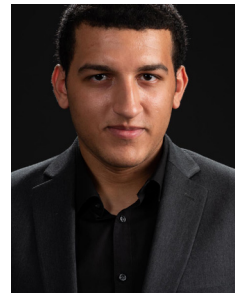
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Rob McGinness



Francesca Mehrotra



Joshua Pitt



Jasmine Rodriguez



Lisa Marie Rogali



Talia Ruiz

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IN PERFORMANCE ORDER

ROB MCGINNESS, BARITONE, 30

AMHERST, NH

È fra quest'ansie	PAGLIACCI	Leoncavallo
Mein Sehnen, mein Wähnen	DIE TOTE STADT	Korngold
Batter my heart	DOCTOR ATOMIC	Adams
Ya vas lyublyu	THE QUEEN OF SPADES	Tchaikovsky

RÉKA PIROSKA JÓNÁS, SOPRANO, 25

BOCA RATON, FL

Les oiseaux dans la charmille	LES CONTES D'HOFFMANN	Offenbach
O zittre nicht	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
Regnava nel silenzio...Quando rapito in estasi	LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR	Donizetti
Ah! douce enfant	CENDRILLON	Massenet

DENNIS CHMELENSKY, BARITONE, 25

BERLIN, GERMANY

Hai già vinta la causa	LE NOZZE DI FIGARO	Mozart
Mein Sehnen, mein Wähnen	DIE TOTE STADT	Korngold
Mab, la reine des mensonges	ROMÉO ET JULIETTE	Gounod
Lieben, Hassen, Hoffen, Zagen	ARIADNE AUF NAXOS	R. Strauss

ORIANA FALLA, SOPRANO, 28

LOS ANGELES, CA

Ach, ich fühl's	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
Caro nome	RIGOLETTO	Verdi
Adieu, notre petite table	MANON	Massenet
Prendi, per me sei libero	L'ELISIR D'AMORE	Donizetti

CHARITY COOPER, MEZZO-SOPRANO, 25

LAYTON, UT

Smanie implacabili	COSÌ FAN TUTTE	Mozart
Ich lade gern mir Gäste ein	DIE FLEDERMAUS	J. Strauss
Must the winter come so soon	VANESSA	Barber
Que fais-tu blanche tourterelle	ROMÉO ET JULIETTE	Gounod

ANTONIO CRUZ, BARITONE, 25

TUCSON, AZ

È fra quest'ansie	PAGLIACCI	Leoncavallo
O, du mein holder Abendstern	TANNHÄUSER	Wagner
Ding, ding, ding, ding	L'ENFANT ET LES SORTILÈGES	Ravel
Captain Ahab? I must speak with you	MOBY DICK	Heggie

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LISA MARIE ROGALI, SOPRANO, 26

HAWLEY, PA

Mi tradi quell'alma ingrata	DON GIOVANNI	Mozart
With darkness deep	THEODORA	Mozart
Ah, je ris de me voir	FAUST	Gounod
Non, Monsieur, mon mari	LES MAMELLES DE TIRÉSIAS	Poulenc

LAURA K. MCCAULEY, SOPRANO, 27

WAYNE, PA

Non, Monsieur, mon mari	LES MAMELLES DE TIRÉSIAS	Poulenc
I can smell the sea air	A STREETCAR NAMED DESIRE	Previn
Ach, ich fühl's	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
Al più dolce e caro oggetto	L'INGANO FELICE	Rossini

MARY KRAY, MEZZO-SOPRANO, 22

LAS VEGAS, NV

Wie Du warst!	DER ROSENKAVALIER	R. Strauss
Svegliatevi nel core	GIULIO CESARE	Handel
Must the winter come so soon?	VANESSA	Barber
Mon cœur s'ouvre à ta voix	SAMSON ET DALILA	Saint-Saëns

TERRENCE CHIN-LOY, TENOR, 28

CORAL SPRINGS, FL

Una furtiva lagrima	L'ELISIR D'AMORE	Donizetti
Che gelida manina	LA BOHÈME	Puccini
Salut! demeure chaste et pure	FAUST	Gounod
Dies Bildnis ist bezaubernd schön	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart

FRANCESCA MEHROTRA, SOPRANO, 23

ASHBURN, VA

Par le rang...Salut à la France!	LA FILLE DU RÉGIMENT	Donizetti
Thumbprint	THUMBPRINT	Sankaram
Se Ottone m'inganno...Se giunge un dispetto	AGRIPPINA	Handel
Wo bin ich?	HÄNSEL UND GRETEL	Humperdinck

THOMAS LONG, BARITONE, 21

MESA, AZ

Hai già vinta la causa	LE NOZZE DI FIGARO	Mozart
Lieben, Hassen, Hoffen, Zagen	ARIADNE AUF NAXOS	R. Strauss
Bella siccome un angelo	DON PASQUALE	Donizetti
Warm as the autumn light	THE BALLAD OF BABY DOE	Moore

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JASMINE RODRIGUEZ, SOPRANO, 24

SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA

Je dis que rien ne m'épouvante	CARMEN	Bizet
Song to the moon	RUSALKA	Dvořák
Ain't it a pretty night	SUSANNAH	Floyd
Quando m'en vo	LA BOHÈME	Puccini

SEDONA LIBERO, MEZZO-SOPRANO, 26

PHOENIX, AZ

Que fais-tu blanche tourterelle	ROMÉO ET JULIETTE	Gounod
Una voce poco fa	IL BARBIERE DI SIVIGLIA	Rossini
When I am laid in earth	DIDO AND AENEAS	Purcell
Non so più	LE NOZZE DI FIGARO	Mozart

CHEYANNE COSS, SOPRANO, 28

EATON RAPIDS, MI

Nun eilt herbei	DIE LUSTIGEN WEIBER VON WINDSOR	Nicolai
Ach, ich fühl's	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
Comme autrefois	LES PÊCHEURS DE PERLES	Bizet
Take me back up the hill	OUR TOWN	Rorem

JOSHUA PITT, BARITONE, 20

RACINE, WI

Deh vieni alla finestra	DON GIOVANNI	Mozart
Look, through the port	BILLY BUDD	Britten
Papageno's Suicide	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
Nature, amour qui partagez mon coeur	CASTOR ET POLLUX	Rameau

TALIA RUIZ, SOPRANO, 21

LAS VEGAS, NV

Quando me'n vo	LA BOHÈME	Puccini
Ach, ich fühl's	DIE ZAUBERFLÖTE	Mozart
O mio babbino caro	GIANNI SCHICCHI	Puccini
The world so wide	THE TENDERLAND	Copland

JONGWON HAN, BASS-BARITONE, 26

SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

Madamina, il catalogo è questo	DON GIOVANNI	Mozart
Ves' tabor spit	ALEKO	Rachmaninoff
Quand la flamme de l'amour	LA JOLIE FILLE DE PERTH	Bizet
Schweig, schweig	DER FREISCHÜTZ	Weber

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