

# Shannon Mercer

## Soprano

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### ROLES

January 2005	<b>Lucy</b> - The Telephone	Menotti	Opera Lyra Ottawa
	<b>Laetitia</b> - The Old Maid and the Thief	Menotti	Opera Lyra Ottawa
October 2004	<b>Altsidore</b> - Don Quichotte (in concert)	Boismortier	La Nouvelle Sinfonie
May 2004	<b>Oberto</b> - Alcina (in concert)	Handel	Les Violons du Roy
March 2004	<b>Michal</b> - Saul (in concert)	Handel	Ottawa Choral Society
January 2004	<b>Micaela</b> - Carmen (in concert)	G. Bizet	Kingston Symphony
December 2003	<b>Nadine</b> - The Chocolate Soldier	O. Strauss	Toronto Operetta Theatre
October 2003	<b>Rosina</b> - Il barbiere di Siviglia	Rossini	Opera Ontario (Hamilton)
July 2003	<b>Susanna</b> - Le Nozze di Figaro	Mozart	Music Academy of West
April 2003	<b>Elvira</b> - L'Italiana in Algeri	Rossini	Canadian Opera Company
January 2003	<b>Oscar</b> - Un ballo in maschera	Verdi	Canadian Opera Company
	<b>Jano</b> (understudy) - Jenůfa	Janiček	Canadian Opera Company
November 2002	<b>Cléone</b> - Médée	Charpentier	Opera Atelier (Toronto)
July 2002	<b>Anne Page</b> - The Merry Wives of Windsor	Nicholai	Merola Summer Program
April 2002	<b>Xenia</b> - Boris Godunov	Mussorgsky	Canadian Opera Company
	<b>Cleopatra</b> (understudy) - Giulio Cesare	Handel	Canadian Opera Company
January 2002	<b>Delia</b> - Il Viaggio a Reims	Rossini	Canadian Opera Company
	<b>Contessa di Folleville</b> (understudy)- Viaggio	Rossini	Canadian Opera Company
December 2001	<b>Sesto</b> - Giulio Cesare in Egitto	Sartorio	Canadian Opera Company
August 2001	<b>Madrigalist</b> - Venus und Adonis (live radio)	Henze	Rotterdam Philharmonic
July 2001	<b>La Bergère</b> etc. - L'Enfant et les sortilèges	Ravel	Tanglewood Music Center
April 2001	<b>Ilia</b> - Idomeneo (understudy)	Mozart	Canadian Opera Company
January 2001	<b>Madrigalist</b> - Venus und Adonis	Henze	Canadian Opera Company
June 2000	<b>First Lady</b> - Die Zauberflöte	Mozart	Opéra de Québec
March 2000	<b>Lisette</b> - La Rondine	Puccini	Toronto Opera School
January 2000	<b>Monica</b> - The Medium	Menotti	Toronto Opera School
November 1999	<b>Helena</b> - A Midsummer Night's Dream	Britten	Toronto Opera School
November 1998	<b>Despina</b> - Così fan tutte	Mozart	Opera McGill
November 1997	<b>Cleopatra</b> - Giulio Cesare	Handel	Opera McGill

### EDUCATION AND TRAINING

June 2004	Queen of Paddings, Contemporary Techniques for Classical Singers, Toronto
June 2003-August 2003	Music Academy of the West, Santa Barbara
June 2002-August 2002	Merola Summer Opera Program, San Francisco
Aug 2000-June 2002	Member of the Canadian Opera Company Ensemble Studio (COC), Toronto
June 2001-August 2001	Tanglewood Music Center Program, Lennox, Massachusetts
Sept 1999-May 2000	One year of study at University of Toronto, Opera Diploma Program, Toronto
June 1999	B. Mus Honours (voice) and Early Music (voice), McGill University, Montreal
Teachers:	Mary Morrison, Marlina Malas, Lucile Evans, Thérèse Sévadjian, Joan Maxwell-Rempel, Joan Burnside
Coaches:	Elizabeth Upchurch, Warren Jones, Martin Katz, Mark Morash, Cathy Cathcart, Albert Krywolt, Stephen Philcox, Michael McMahon, Margaret Singer, Martin Isepp
Conductors:	Richard Bradshaw, Nicola Luisotti, Timothy Vernon, Raffi Armenian, Stephen Ralls, Bernard Labadie, Hervé Niquet, Gary Thor Wedow, Iwan Edwards, Wayne Riddell, Yannick Nézet-Séguin, David Atherton, Robert Spano, Randell Behr

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**LANGUAGES**

**Sung:** English, French, German, Italian, Latin, Welsh, Spanish, Portugese, Russian, Czech  
**Spoken:** English, French (fluent)

**RECENT AWARDS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**November 2004** - Release of CD "English Fancy" with Ensemble Masques under the Analekta label

**June 2004** - 2004 Bernard Diamant Prize (Canada Council for the Arts)  
Emerging Artist Grant

**July 2003** - Encouragement Award: The 2003 Marilyn Horne Foundation Awards, Santa Barbara, CA, USA

**May 2003** - Aldeburgh Connection Recital Debut, Glen Gould Studio, Toronto

**February 2003** - Schwabacher Debut Recital, (James Schwabacher), San Francisco

**May 2002** - Receptient of the Ruby Mercer Award, Canadian Opera Company