

PROJECT:

POPopera in collaboration with Teatro Municipal Rio de Janeiro launches in Rio de Janeiro a new artistic project called "**GRANDES VOZES NO RIO DE JANEIRO - THEATRO MUNICIPAL**" starting from season 2019. This is a five years project which presents in Rio de Janeiro the most important opera singers - who dominate today the biggest operatic stages (Paris, London, Milan and New York) - at the top of their artistic glory. Each one of the singers will participate in a solo concert with the **Orquestra Sinfônica** on the stage of the TMRJ under the famous baton of **Maestro Luiz Fernando Malheiro**, Maestro Titular da Orquestra. All the artists will give a masterclass before or after their concert in TMRJ for young and talented brazilian singers. All masterclasses will be webcasted.

PHILOSOPHY:

"**GRANDES VOZES NO RIO DE JANEIRO - THEATRO MUNICIPAL**" is a very ambitious project aspiring to invite every season four important singers, who will perform and give masterclasses in TMRJ. The main goal is to strengthen again the national and international interest for opera in Rio de Janeiro, but mostly through the series of masterclasses, to motivate and inspire young brazilian singers to follow their dreams.

If a young soprano like Pretty Yende coming from South Africa manages to conquer all the big opera houses, why not a young brazilian soprano or tenor can achieve the same?

We are looking forward to help to create together with the new artistic direction of the TMRJ the conditions to reopen as soon as possible the Young Artists Program "Academia" in TMRJ, to be able to offer the possibility to all the young talented singers to find again an institution where they can develop and mature their talents.

Ilias Tzempetonidis, Casting Director at the Opera National de Paris and former Casting Director in Teatro alla Scala in Milan is known for having given important early career opportunities to a number of world leading opera singers. He is the Artistic Director of the above mentioned project and is ready to offer his guidance and great expertise to any new talent we hope to find within the next years.

PLANNING:

The **season 2019**, we are proud to announce in collaboration with TMRJ the following four stars of the lyric world:

- ◆ **VITTORIO GRIGOLO (tenor)**
<https://www.vittoriogrigolo.com/>
MASTERCLASS: 3 JULY
CONCERT: 7 JULY
- ◆ **MICHAEL FABIANO (tenor)**
<https://michaelfabianotenor.com/>
MASTERCLASS: 21 AUGUST
CONCERT: 25 AUGUST
- ◆ **LISETTE OROPESA (soprano)**
<https://lisetteoropesa.com/>
MASTERCLASS: 9 OCTOBER
CONCERT: 13 OCTOBER
- ◆ **HIBLA GERZMAVA (soprano)**
<http://www.hibla.ru/en/>
MASTERCLASS: 12 NOVEMBER
CONCERT: 15 NOVEMBER

The *season 2020*, following artists are scheduled and confirmed:

- ◆ **SONDRA RADVANOVSKY (soprano)**
<https://www.sondraradvanovsky.com/>
MARCH
- ◆ **PRETTY YENDE (soprano)**
<http://prettyyende.com/>
JUNE
- ◆ **ANITA RACHVELISHVILI (mezzo soprano)**
<http://anitarachvelishvili.com/>
AUGUST
- ◆ **NADINE SIERRA (soprano)**
<http://nadinesierra.com/>
OKTOBER

The *season 2021*, following artists are scheduled and confirmed:

- ◆ **JONAS KAUFMANN (tenor)**
<http://www.jonaskaufmann.com/en/>
JULY
- ◆ **ELINA GARANCA (mezzo soprano)**
<https://elinagaranca.com/>
MAY
- ◆ **BENJAMIN BERNHEIM (tenor)**
<http://benjaminbernheim.com/>
SEPTEMBER
- ◆ **KRISINE OPOLAIS (soprano)**
<https://kristineopolais.com/>
NOVEMBER

PRESS:

- ◆ **GLOBO:** <https://oglobo.globo.com/cultura>
- ◆ **CONCERTO:** <https://concerto.com.br/noticias>
- ◆ **CULTURA ESTADÃO:** <https://cultura.estadao.com.br>

SPONSORING:

We are currently searching for donors which will help us to finance the initial first three seasons and to be able to develop together the above mentioned philosophy of our project "**GRANDES VOZES NO RIO DE JANEIRO - THEATRO MUNICIPAL**". (The values are based for each individual season)

- ◆ **PLATINUM SPONSOR:** R\$ 1.500.000,00 – (exclusive for 4 concerts & 4 masterclasses)
- ◆ **GOLD SPONSOR:** R\$ 700.000,00 – (up to 2 available)
- ◆ **SILVER SPONSOR:** R\$ 400.000,00 – (up to 4 available)
- ◆ **BRONZE SPONSOR:** R\$ 200.000,00

