



# Rachael Heater

Soprano

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## Biography

Rachael is an American soprano based in Lisburn. Born in Pennsylvania, she grew up with music. As a child, she was a member of the Berks Classical Children's Chorus, and continued on to participate in many prestigious festival choirs through high school. In addition, she was the first place winner at the Lehigh Chapter NATS Singing Competition in 2010. In her early adult years, Rachael had the privilege of singing several principal roles with Pennsylvania Lyric Opera Theatre's summer productions. She has featured as a soloist with local Pennsylvania groups through the years, including the historic Ringgold Band, and more recently with New Irish Arts here in Northern Ireland. Since moving to NI, Rachael has been studying with Graeme Danby, and recently appeared in *Eugene Onegin* with NI Opera, before that featuring as the Son/Juniper Bird in *The Juniper Tree*. Rachael holds a B.A. in Vocal Performance from Kutztown University, and was the recipient of the Reading Choral Society's college scholarship competition in 2020.

## Education

### Bachelor's Degree of Arts

Kutztown University

Graduated 2020 Magna Cum Laude

## Soft Skills

Interpersonal

Collaboration

Communication

Attention to Detail

Work Ethic

Leadership

## Experience

### Solo & Small Ensemble

Kutztown University

Featured in:

- Bruckner *Mass no.2 in E minor*
- Brahms *Liebeslieder Walzer*

### Principal/Chorus

Pennsylvania Lyric Opera Theatre

Roles Sung:

- Giannetta, *The Gondoliers*
- Mabel, *The Pirates of Penzance*
- Lauretta, *Gianni Schicchi*
- Yum-yum, *The Mikado*

### Principal

Northern Ireland Opera

- Cupid's Bow: Susanna/Desipna/Cleopatra/Zerlina 14-17 February 2024
- The Juniper Tree: Son/Juniper Bird 21-24 February 2024

Moravian College Opera Workshop

Scenes from:

- *Così fan tutte*, Fiordiligi
- *The Medium*, Monica
- *Die Dreigroschenoper*, Lucy Brown

### Solo & Small Ensemble

Kutztown University

- Mozart - *Vespere Solennes*
- Ava Bloomfield - *A Bird Song* (premiere performance)

Historic Ringgold Band

- Soloist

### Chorus

Northern Ireland Opera

- *La Traviata*, September 2022
- *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, May 2023
- *Tosca*, September 2023
- *Eugene Onegin*, September 2024

### Featured Soloist

- Ireland in Christmas Praise 2022, 2023
- RTE Christmas Day Broadcast 2022
- BBC Radio 4 Lenten Service March 2022
- *The Messiah*, December 2023 - Ulster Consort
- *Dido & Aeneas*, Second Woman - Ulster Consort, June 2024
- New Irish Arts 30th Birthday Concert September 2024

### Upcoming Engagements

- Soloist, Alberbridge Congregational Church, Belfast 7 December 2024



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## Teachers

### Current:

Graeme Danby

### Previous:

Dail Richie

Trucilla Sabatino

Garry Grice

## Awards

- Reading Choral Society College Scholarship 2020
- NATS Lehigh Valley Chapter Competition 1st Place Winner Freshman/Sophomore Division 2010

## YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/@rachaelheater3081/videos>

## Highlights from Works Studied

### Opera

- Batti, batti, o bel Masetto, *Don Giovanni*
- Vedrai, carino, *Don Giovanni*
- O wär' ich schon mit dir vereint, *Fidelio*
- Kommt ein schlanker Bursch gegangen, *Der Freischütz*
- Einst träumte meiner sel'gen Base...Trube Augen, *Der Freischütz*
- Porgi, amor, *Le Nozze di Figaro*
- Dove sono, *Le Nozze di Figaro*
- Deh vieni, *Le Nozze di Figaro*
- Sull'aria, *Le Nozze di Figaro*
- Deh vieni non tardar, *Le Nozze di Figaro*
- Caro Nome, *Rigoletto*
- Ah! Je veux vivre, *Roméo et Juliet*
- Ach, ich fühls, *Die Zauberflöte*
- Una voce poco fa, *Il Barbiere di Siviglia*
- Ah! non credea mirarti, *La Sonnambula*
- Tornami a vagheggiar, *Alcina*
- In uomini, in soldati, *Così fan Tutte*
- Una donna a quindici anni, *Così fan Tutte*
- Ah guarda sorella, *Così fan Tutte*
- Duo des Fleurs, *Lakmé*
- Brindisi, *La Traviata*

### Oratorio

- Soprano Solos, *The Messiah*
- Soprano Solos, *The Creation*
- Mein gläubiges Herze, *Kantate No.68*
- Quia respexit, *Magnificat*
- Oh! had I Juba's lyre, *Joshua*
- Let the bright Seraphim, *Samson*
- Pie Jesu, *Fauré Requiem*

### Art Song & Chamber

- *Gretchen am Spinnrade*, Schubert
- *Der Hirt auf dem Felsen*, Schubert
- *Erlkönig*, Schubert
- *Widmung*, R. Schumann
- *Fünf Lieder*, A. Mahler
- *Nel dolce dell'oblio*, Handel
- *La Rosa*, Ariosti
- *Three Irish Folk Song Settings*, Corigliano
- *Come Away*, Goodenberger