

Baritone Jonathan Stinson has appeared in leading and supporting roles with opera companies. throughout the country and in Europe. Previous seasons have included Schaunard in La bohème at Lyric Opera of Kansas City, the 2nd Cardinal/2nd Oracle in Philip Glass' Galileo Galilei and Barone Douphol in La traviata with Cincinnati Opera, Lescaut in Manon Lescaut for The Cleveland Opera, Slim in Of Mice and Men and Peter in Hansel und Gretel at Kentucky Opera, II conte Almaviva in Le nozze di Figaro with Arbor Opera Theatre, Joseph de Rocher in Dead Man Walking for Boston Opera Collaborative, and Antonio in Le nozze di Figaro for Opera Omaha. Abroad, he has sung Guglielmo in Così fan tutte and the title role of Gianni Schicchi in Varna, Bulgaria, the title role of Rigoletto in Manchester, UK, and the title role of Don Giovanni in Cortona, Italy.

This season, he will make his House debut at Winter Opera St. Louis as Lescaut in Puccini's Manon Lescaut, perform with the Arkansas Philharmonic Orchestra as the Reciter in William Walton's Façade, and appear as a soloist in Bach's Johannes-Passion with TACTUS chamber ensemble. His 2022-2023 season included appearances as Marcello in La bohème at Delaware Valley Opera, Leporello in Don Giovanni for Ozarks Lyric Opera, bass soloist in Messiah for TACTUS Ensemble in Oklahoma City, "Der Klang der Offenbarung des Göttlichen" by Icelandic composer Kjartan Sveinsson with the Oklahoma City Philharmonic Orchestra, and a recital as part of the Belvedere Series in Richmond, VA, which will include the world premiere of his own monodrama, Uncivil Relief.

During the 2021-2022 season, he sang The Pirate King in The Pirates of Penzance and Monterone in Rigoletto for Delaware Valley Opera, the bass solos in Bach's B Minor Mass with Music Worcester, and stage directed Speed Dating Tonight! and Signor Deluso for the University of Arkansas Opera Theatre. In 2020, he was scheduled to sing Dandini in La cenerentola at Salt Marsh Opera, the Four Villains in Les contes d'Hoffmann and Falke in Die Fledermaus at the Stara Zagora Opera House in Bulgaria, and the solos in Bach's B Minor Mass with Connecticut Choral Artists, but these engagements were canceled due to Covid-19.

Recent solo concert work includes Carmina Burana with the Sullivan County Community Chorus, Messiah with Connecticut Choral Artists, and Vaughan-Williams' Dona Nobis Pacem for the Lougheed- Kofoed Festival of the Arts in Potsdam, NY.

A huge advocate for new music, Mr. Stinson has workshopped leading roles in operas by Tom Cipullo, Anthony Davis, Douglas Cuomo, Patrick Soluri, and Elizabeth Kelly. As a composer, Jonathan has written two one-act operas for young audiences, two operatic vignettes, seven song cycles, a monodrama, and several choral works. In 2015, his church anthem; Beloved; won the Grand Prize of the International Anthem Competition held by First Baptist Church in Worcester, MA. His children's operas have been toured by Atlanta Opera, Opera Memphis, Seagle Music Colony, and Chicago Opera Playhouse, and have been performed at the University of Missouri-Kansas City and the Lougheed-Kofoed Festival of the Arts (NY).

Jonathan was a past Regional Finalist in the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions and received the "Bel Canto Award" at the Orpheus National Voice Competition. Jonathan holds voice performance degrees from Oberlin Conservatory, Indiana University, and University of Cincinnati–College- Conservatory of Music.

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OPERATIC REPERTOIRE

Bizet: Zurga – *Les Pêcheurs de perle*

Cipullo: Older Thompson – *Glory Denied* Mayo – *Mayo*

Copeland: Top – *The Tender Land*

Donizetti: Enrico – *Lucia di Lammermoor* Belcore – *L'elisir d'amore*

Floyd: Slim – *Of Mice and Men*

Glass: Younger Galileo – *Galileo Galilei* 2nd Cardinal,2nd Oracle – *Galileo Galilei*

Gounod: Mercutio – *Roméo et Juliette* Valentin – *Faust*

Heggie: Joseph de Rocher, Owen – *Dead Man Walking* Charlie – *Three Decembers* Starbuck, Queequeg – *Moby Dick*

Humperdinck: Peter – Hansel und Gretel

Lehár: Danilo, Cascada – *Die lustige Witwe*

Leoncavallo: Silvio – *Pagliacci* Massenet: Lescaut – Manon

Menotti: Bob – The Old Maid and the Thief Salvatore – The Saint of Bleecker Street John Sorel – The Consul Melchior – Amahl and the Night Visitors

Mozart: Il conte Almaviva – *Le nozze di Figaro* Don Giovanni Macetta – *Don Giovan*

Don Giovanni, Masetto – Don Giovanni Guglielmo – Così fan tutte Papageno – Die Zauberflöte

Poulenc: Marquis – *Dialogues des Carmélites* Le mari – *Les mamelles de Tirésias*

Puccini: Schicchi, Marco – Gianni Schicchi Marcello Schaunard, – La bohème Sharpless – Madama Butterfly

Rossini: Dandini – La cenerentola Taddeo – L'italiana in Algeri

J. Strauss: Falke – *Die Fledermaus*

R. Strauss: Harlequin – *Ariade auf Naxos*

Verdi: Germont, Douphol – La traviata Marullo – Rigoletto Rodrigo – Don Carlo Ford – Falstaff

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ORCHESTRAL/ORATORIO REPERTOIRE

Adams: The Wound Dresser

Bach:

Matthäus-Passion

Weihnachts-Oratorium B Minor Mass Ich habe genug

Berlioz:

L'enfance du Christ

Brahms: *Ein deutsches Requiem*

Britten: *War Requiem*

Cantata Misericordium

Duruflé:

Requiem

Fauré Requiem

Graun Der Tod Jesu Händel: Messiah

Alexander's Feast Israel in Egypt

Johannes-Passion

Honegger: Le Roi David

Martin: Sechs monologe aus Jedermann

Mozart: Great Mass in C minor Coronation Mass

Orff: *Carmina Burana*

Schubert: Mass in G

Vaughan-Williams: Dona Nobis Pacem Sea Symphony Five Mystical Songs



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OPERA HOUSES/THEATERS

Cincinnati Opera Lyric Opera of Kansas City Central City Opera Varna International (Varna, Bulgaria) Bare Boards Opera (Manchester, UK) Kentucky Opera Dayton Opera Opera Omaha Opera Memphis Cleveland Opera Cedar Rapids Opera Boston Opera Collaborative Verismo Opera (Chicago) Opera New Jersey Ohio Light Opera Akron Lyric Opera



REVIEWS

Kentucky Opera - Of Mice and Men

"Jonathan Stinson, acting with grace and realism, produced some laser high notes of his own, subtly restraining his voice for an intense, sensitive singing of Slim's Act II aria."

- Charles Parsons, Opera News Online

Kentucky Opera – Hansel und Gretel

"Jonathan Stinson's Father tra-la-la-ing with all appropriate ringing gusto. – Louisville Courier-Journal

Louisville Courier-Journal

Boston Opera Collaborative - Dead Man Walking

"Jonathan Stinson as De Rocher maintained the perfect balance between tough-guy façade and the inner mortal, sensitive and fearful."

- The Boston Music Intelligencer

Opera New Jersey – La traviata

"Jonathan Stinson's impressive Baron Douphol"

- Courier Post (NJ)

Bare Boards Opera - Rigoletto

"Baritone Jonathan Stinson, taking on the title role, wrings every last drop of emotion from the fate of the wretched Rigoletto, his initial confidence shaken by Monterone's curse, and forever after haunted by premonitions of disaster."

– North West End (UK)

James C. Olson Performing Arts Center - Gianni Schicchi

"The title role was strongly sung by baritone Jonathan Stinson in this performance, who convincingly portrayed the machismo and selfish bravado of the main character." – **KCMetropolis.org**

Patricia Corbett Theatre – Gianni Schicchi

"Baritone Jonathan Stinson perfectly captured the conniving bravado of Schicchi"

- Cincinnati Business Courier





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