



George von Bergen

Baritone

British baritone George von Bergen's charismatic stage presence and powerful, mellifluous lyric baritone has earned him renown in Europe over the last decade. As a Harewood artist at **English National Opera**, von Bergen has had numerous successes including MARCELLO *La bohème*, SHARPLESS, ZURGA and HERALD/LORD HATE-GOOD in *The Pilgrim's Progress*. With **Opera Holland Park** his roles have included RENATO *Un ballo in maschera*, CORNELIUS *Isabeau*, STEWARD *Flight*, FORD *Falstaff*, BELCORE *L'elisir d'amore*, IL CONTE *Le nozze di Figaro*, MARCELLO *La bohème* and OSTASIO *Francesca di Rimini*. Whilst in the title role, **ETO's** production of *Don Giovanni* won What's On Stage's "Best new production" and he also enjoyed success as *Eugene Onegin* for **MWO**. Other highlights include his debut at **La Scala, Milan**, as NED KEENE in Richard Jones' acclaimed production of *Peter Grimes*, which was subsequently released on DVD. Further afield he earned success in the title role of Ambroise Thomas' *Hamlet* at Croatian National Theatre Zagreb and made his role debut as ENRICO in *Lucia di Lammermoor* for **Danish National Opera**.

Back in the UK, he has performed DEMETRIUS *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at both **Garsington** and **Longborough** festivals; RENATO *Un ballo in Maschera* and IL CONTE *Le nozze di Figaro*, at **West Green Opera** and *Don Giovanni* with **Opera Project**. In **Wexford** he took the role of BEAUMARCHAIS in *The Ghosts of Versaille* at the award winning European premiere and toured the role of MARCELLO in Torre del Lago's production of *La bohème* in Abu Dhabi. In 2008 von Bergen took the role of MARCELLO in MR films production of *La bohème* opposite Anna Netrebko and Rolando Villazon.

On the recital and concert platform, von Bergen has performed extensively in Britain and Europe. Oratorio performances include Brahms *Deutsches Requiem*, Mendelssohn *Elijah*, Bach *St John Passion*, Vaughan Williams *Sea Symphony*, Puccini *Messa di Gloria* and Fauré *Requiem* amongst others.