

Biography



Annamaria Stefanelli

Annamaria is a professional opera singer, director, editor, published poet, and songwriter, playwright, and educator who also owns her own companies, A&R Artists and A&R Music Education.

She has a B.A. in Drama and English from Franklin and Marshal College, a Masters in English and American Literature from New York University and is currently studying for a degree in Opera Studies from Rose Bruford College in the United Kingdom.

Annamaria has directed both straight plays, musicals, and operas, including three productions for Hub City Opera and Dance: *Goyescas* by E. Granados, *Le Pauvre Matelot* by D. Milhaud, and *La Serva Padrona* by G. B. Pergolesi.

She is the creator and principal artist of an opera program for children called Opera Fun, which she has performed to over 900 students. She is also the creator of a lecture performance program on the history of Italian Opera. Annamaria also created *The Magic Black Box Theater Players* for The Academy of Music in Spotswood, NJ, where she acted as director, producer and script writer for each of the groups' performances.

She has performed in numerous fundraising events, including events for the Alzheimer's Association, Special Olympics, and Organization for Autism Research as well as sung internationally as a soloist for *Les Chanteurs De Lorraine*. A proponent of Italian Heritage and Culture, she has sung at the request of the Italian vice consul in New York City as well as the NJ vice consul and the Italian Hall of Fame.

In 2013, Ms. Stefanelli also released a CD, "The Gifts of a Classical Christmas."