

Joanne Kolomyjec Senior Voice

Artistry of the highest order and inspired portrayals have secured soprano Joanne Kolomyjec an enviable reputation in the world of opera. In recent years her highly acclaimed performances of Tatiana in Eugene Onegin, the title roles in Tosca and Jenufa, and Marguerite in Faust, Donna Elvira in Don Giovanni and Magda Sorel in The Consul have thrilled audiences and critics alike in Canada, USA and Great Britain.

A graduate with distinction of the University of Toronto's Opera School and of its Bachelor of Music in Performance, Ms. Kolomyjec went on to be a winner of the Metropolitan Opera National Competition (1983).

Ms. Kolomyjec has also excelled as a recitalist, performing with tenor Richard Margison in a recital tour. Her most recent Canadian tour featuring a program of Russian songs with renowned pianist Janina Fialkowska, also released as a critically acclaimed CD entitled "None But The Lonely Heart". Other recordings include 'Song to the Moon' with Mario Bernardi and the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra and 'A Night in Vienna' with the Kitchener Waterloo Symphony and Raffi Armenian. An exponent of contemporary music as well, Ms. Kolomyjec has recorded Shostakovich's cycle of chamber songs, Romanzen Suite, and songs by the Canadian composers Oscar Morawetz, Sonnets of the Portuguese, and an orchestral cycle entitled Cantiones Mysticae by Godfrey Ridout.

Ms. Kolomyjec was on faculty at Memorial University of Newfoundland, at the University of Ottawa in Ontario, and is presently in her 12th year on the voice faculty at the Schulich School of Music, McGill University in Montreal Quebec, where she was just presented with the 2013/2014 Teacher of the Year Award. As well Ms. Kolomyjec has presented many master classes at music faculties across Canada, voice teacher at Opera NUOVA in the summers and been a jurist on panels for a number of competitions, including Jeunesse Musicale, Ontario Arts Council and the Canadian Music Competition, National Music Festival as well as for Canada Council grants.