

Blake Denson | Baritone



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Roles

Monterone	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Opéra de National Paris	2024
Madama Butterfly	Prince Yamadori	The Metropolitan Opera	2024
Fire Shut Up in my Bones	Pastor/Kaboom	The Metropolitan Opera	2024
Larkens	La fanciulla del west	Bayerischer Staatsoper	2024
Schannuard	<i>La bohème</i>	The Metropolitan Opera	2024
Paolo	<i>Simon Boccanegra</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2023
Monterone	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2023
Angelotti	<i>Tosca</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2023
Don Fernando	<i>Fidelio</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2022
Ford	<i>Falstaff</i>	Houston Grand Opera	2023
Plutone	<i>L'Orfeo</i>	Santa Fe Opera	2023
Angelotti	<i>Tosca</i>	Santa Fe Opera	2023
Schaunard	<i>La bohème</i>	Washington National Opera	2023
Donner	<i>Das Rheingold</i>	English National Opera	2023
Larkens	<i>La fanciulla del west</i>	Bayerischer Staatsoper	2022
Moralès/ Escamillo*	<i>Carmen</i>	Staatsoper Hamburg	2022
Mr. Maguire*	<i>Emmeline</i>	Tulsa Opera	2022
Jake	<i>Porgy and Bess</i>	Des Moines Metro Opera	2022
Gregorio	<i>Romeo and Juliet</i>	Houston Grand Opera	2022
Jailor	<i>Dialogues of the Carmelites</i>	Houston Grand Opera	2022
Rigoletto #	<i>Rigoletto</i>	Houston Grand Opera	2021
Moralès/ Escamillo*	<i>Carmen</i>	Houston Grand Opera	2021
Daddy/Tim^	<i>The Snowy Day</i>	Houston Grand Opera	2021
Father (Peter)	<i>Hansel and Gretel</i>	Houston Grand Opera	2021
Onegin *+ /Commander +	<i>Eugene Onegin</i>	Wolf Trap Opera	2020
Marcello *+	<i>La bohème</i>	Wolf Trap Opera	2020
John Proctor #	<i>The Crucible</i>	Wolf Trap Opera	2020

^World Premiere *Covers #Scenes +COVID Cancellations

RECITAILS & OTHER WORK

Soloist	Lisette Oropesa Gala	New Orleans Opera	2024
Soloist	<i>Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen</i>	Paducah Symphony	2022
Soloist	<i>Let's be Pirates</i>	Houston Symphony	2022
Soloist	<i>Suite Espagnola</i>	Houston Grand Opera	2022/2021
Soloist	<i>Giving Voice</i>	Houston Grand Opera	2022/2021

HONORS & AWARDS

Opera Category Winner	South Bank Sky Arts Award	2023
Winner	Richard Tucker: Study Grant recipient	2022
Winner	George London Foundation	2022
Winner	Dorothy Lincoln Award	2022
Finalist	Butler Opera International Competition	2022
Winner	International Concours Tenor Viñas Vocal Competition	2022
Frist Place/ Peoples Favorite	Dallas Opera Competition	2021
First Place	Pasadena Vocal Competition	2021
Winner	Partners of the arts Vocal Competition	2021
Finalist	Annapolis Opera Vocal Competition	2021
First Place/ Second Place	Orpheus Vocal Competition	2021/2022
First Place	Gilbert and Sullivan Competition	2021
Winner	Opera Ithaca Competition	2021/2022
First Place	Perfect Day Foundation Competition	2021
First Place/ Legacy Award	National Opera Association	2021
Grand Finals Winner	Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions	2020
First Place	Opera Mississippi Competition	2020
Finalist	Premiere Opera Foundation	2020
Winner	Houston Saengerbund Opera Competition	2020

TRAINING & EDUCATION

Studio Artist		Houston Grand Opera	2020-2022
Master of Music	Vocal Performance	Rice University	2020
Bachelor of Music	Vocal Performance	University of Kentucky	2018

COACHES - Michael Heaston, Kevin Miller, Bethany Self, Grant Loehnig

DIRECTORS- Tomer Zvulun, E. Loren Meeker, Francesca Zambello, Liliana Blain-Cruz

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