

Deirdre ANGENENT

Mezzo-soprano

Deirdre studied in Arnhem in the Netherlands, graduating with a Bachelor's degree in classical singing. She then joined the Dutch National Opera Academy (DNOA) in The Hague/Amsterdam, on a scholarship from the VandenEnde Foundation. She obtained a Master's Degree summa cum laude in Opera. With a scholarship from the prestigious Huygens Foundation of the Dutch Ministry of Education, she was able to pursue her studies with Ira Siff in New York. She is now mentored by Ira Siff, Nadine Secunde and Peter Nilsson.

In 2014, she won two prizes at the **International Vocal Competition's-Hertogenbosch**, in the Netherlands (the Dutch Opera Prize and two Audience Prizes).

In 2015, she was awarded **First Prize** in the **Grand Prix de l'Opéra in Bucharest**, the **Aalto Theater Prize in Essen**, Germany, and also Third Prize in both the **Leyla Gencer Competition** in Istanbul and the **Elizabeth Connell Prize** in Sydney.

Recent performances include **Sieglinde** (Die Walküre- Wagner) and **Judith** (Blaubart) in Essen, **Gertrud** (Hänsel und Gretel) in Nancy, **Ismene** (Antigona) with Opera Trionfo from the Netherlands, **Venus** (Tannhäuser) in Seoul, **Vitellia** (La Clemenza di Tito) on tour in Holland, the Beethoven's **Symphony No. 9** at the Festival de la Chaise-Dieu, Strauss' **Vier letzte Lieder** at the Concertgebouw Amsterdam, and in Holland in **Judith** (Bartok's Bluebeard's Castle), **Dido** (Dido and Aeneas), **Venus** (Tannhäuser), **Der Komponist** (Ariadne auf Naxos) in Meiningen. She also received a Wagner scholarship from the Dutch Wagner Society and performed **Ottavia**, **La Femme** in La voix Humaine, the **Wesendonck Lieder**, **Elijah**, Rossini's **Petite Messe Solennelle**, Beethoven's **Symphony No. 9**, Brahms' **German Requiem**, **Les Nuits d'Été** and **St John Passion**, **Der Komponist** (Ariadne auf Naxos) in Lausanne, **Waldtaube** (Gurrelieder) in Essen.

Forthcoming projects include : **Fenena** (Nabucco), **Sieglinde** (Ring in einem Abend) in Essen, **Eva** (Irrelohe-Schreker) in Lyon.