

## Björn BÜRGER

### Baritone

Björn Bürger is one of the finest baritone singers of his generation, acclaimed both for his vocal qualities and natural sense of stagecraft.

Born in Rodgau (Germany), he studied singing with Hedwig Fassbender in Frankfurt.

He has taken part in masterclasses with Kurt Moll, Helmut Deutsch and Christoph Pregardien.

At the start of his career, he sang **Argante** (Handel's Rinaldo) at the Karlsruhe International Handel Festival, **Osmin** (Mozart's Zaïde) on tour in Germany.



As a member of the Oper Frankfurt Ensemble from 2013 to 2018, he interpreted the roles of **Masetto** (Don Giovanni), **Harlekin** (Ariadne auf Naxos), **Bengtsson** (Die Gespenstersonate), Britten's **Owen Windgrave** (title role), **Schaunard** (La Boheme), **Papageno** (Die Zauberflöte), **Dandini** (La Cenerentola), **Astolfo** (Orlando Furioso), **Pelléas** (Pelléas et Mélisande), **Conte di Almaviva** (Le Nozze di Figaro), **Don Bucefalo** (Le cantatrici villane), **Frank** and **Fritz** (Die tote Stadt), Hermann's **Der Mieter** and **Billy Budd** (title role).

In 2018, he joins the ensemble of Staatsoper Stuttgart.

Björn Bürger made his debut at the Opéra national de Paris as **Papageno** (directed by Robert Carsen) and as **Don Giovanni** at the Norwegian National Opera in Oslo. He has also sung **Figaro** (Il Barbiere di Siviglia) at the Glyndebourne Festival, at the Semperoper in Dresden and at the Berliner Staatsoper, **Falke** (Die Fledermaus) in Munich (cond. K. Petrenko), **Harlekin** at the Glyndebourne Festival, **Falke** at the Lausanne Opera, **Wolfram** (Tannhäuser) in Amsterdam, **Papageno** in Glyndebourne, **Posa** (Don Carlos) in Stuttgart, **Don Giovanni** and **Il Conte** (Le Nozze di Figaro) at La Monnaie in Brussels...

Recently, he has interpreted **Andrei Bolkonsky** (War and Peace) in Geneva, **Papageno**, **Falke**, **Belcore** (L'Elisir d'amore), **Il Conte** (Le Nozze di Figaro) and **Figaro** in Stuttgart, **Barber** (Die schweigsame Frau) in Munich, **Guglielmo** in Strasbourg, **Lescaut** (Manon) and **Falke** in Hamburg, **Frédéric** (Lakmé) and **Gaveston/Fremdling** (Lessons in Love and Violence / George Benjamin) in Zürich...

His projects for the 2023/24 season and the following ones: **Heerrufer** (Lohengrin) in Amsterdam, **Papageno** in Lausanne and in Stuttgart, **Bill** (Rise and Fall of the City of Mahagonny) in Stuttgart and **Frank/Fritz** (Die Tote Stadt) in Zürich...

Björn Bürger held a scholarship of **Yehudi Menuhin Foundation** (Live Music Now).

In 2012, he won the Frankfurt Polytechnic Society competition and was awarded First Prizes in the competitions **Bundeswettbewerb Gesang**, **Anneliese-Rothenberger** and **Emmerich-Smola**.