

Sara Schabas, soprano

sara.schabas@gmail.com, + 1 647 295 3871, CAEA # 38483
www.saraschabas.com



Opera

	(^) cover	(*) Dora Award nomination		
Eve	Jonathan Dove: The Walk From The Garden		Little Opera Company, Winnipeg	2024
Musetta	Puccini: La bohème		Orchestre Classique de Montréal, Montréal	2023
Gretel	Humperdinck: Hänsel und Gretel		Monument National, Montréal	2023
Dormouse	Raum: The Garden of Alice		Pacific Opera Victoria, Victoria	2022
Zerlina; Elvira^	Mozart: Don Giovanni		Highlands Opera Studio, Haliburton ON	2021
First Witch; Belinda^	Purcell: Dido and Aeneas		Concentus Musicus Wien, Vienna	2020
The Hummingbird	M.Goulet: The Flight of the Hummingbird		Vancouver Opera; Pacific Opera Victoria, BC	2020
Anne Frank*	Livingston: Singing Only Softly		Loose Tea Music Theatre, Toronto	2019, 2022
Najade	R. Strauss: Ariadne auf Naxos		Highlands Opera, Haliburton	2019
Marzelline	Beethoven: Fidelio		Toronto City Opera, Toronto	2018
Frasquita	Bizet: Carmen		Mississauga Symphony, Toronto	2017
Candace	Bolcom: A Wedding		Aspen Opera Center, Aspen, CO	2016
Papagena; Pamina^	Mozart: Die Zauberflöte		Dayton Opera, Dayton, OH	2015
Juliette^	Gounod: Roméo et Juliette		Aspen Opera Center, Aspen, CO	2015
Genovieffa	Puccini: Suor Angelica		Opera on the Avalon, St. John's	2014

Concert

	(^) cover		
Soprano Soloist	Beethoven: 9th Symphony	Amadeus Choir, NYCO, Toronto	2025
Solo Recitalist	Recitals with Alexey Shafirov, piano	Concerts Lachine; Chapelle Bon-Pasteur, Montréal	2024, 2025
Soloist in Concert Tour	Théâtre Lyricchorégra/Jeunes ambassadeurs	Nine Cities, Mainland China	2024
Solo Recitalist	Recital with Isabelle David, piano	Canadian Opera Company, Toronto	2024
Soprano Soloist	Orff: Carmina Burana	Toronto Symphony, Mendelssohn Choir^	2023
Soprano Soloist	Orff: Carmina Burana	McGill Symphony Orchestra, Montréal	2023
Soprano Soloist	James Whitbourn: Annelies	Grand Philharmonic Choir, Kitchener ON	2023
Soprano Soloist	Bach: BWV 61; Handel: Chandos Anthems	Thirteen Strings Orchestra, Ottawa	2022
Soprano Soloist	Stravinsky: K013 and K016	Equilibrium Artists (cond. Hannigan)	2022
Solo Recitalist	Recital with Marie-Ève Scarfone, piano	Spiegelsaal, Opernhaus Zürich, Switzerland	2021
Soprano Soloist^	Handel: Messiah	Concentus Musicus Wien (cond. Harding)	2019
Soprano Soloist	Handel: Messiah	Hamilton Philharmonic, Bach-Elgar Choir	2019
Soprano Soloist	John Rutter: Requiem	Oakville Masterworks, Toronto	2019
Soprano Soloist	Brahms: A German Requiem	Hart House Orchestra, Toronto	2018
Soprano Soloist	Vivaldi: Nulla in mundo pax sincera	Oakville Chamber Orchestra, Toronto	2018
Soprano Soloist	Handel: Messiah	Dayton Philharmonic, Toronto	2015
Soprano Soloist	Copland: Suite from The Tender Land	Rockford Symphony, Illinois	2014
Soprano Soloist	Mahler: Symphony No. Four	Castleton Festival, Virginia (cond. Lorin Maazel)	2013

Recordings:

Soprano Soloist	The Bond (Amy Brandon)	New Focus Recordings	2026
Soprano Soloist	O Greenest Branch (James Rolfe)	Indeterminate Productions	2025

Education: Doctorate of Music, McGill University; Early Music Studies - University of Music and Performing Arts, Vienna (MDW); Master of Music, Voice Performance, Roosevelt University; Honours Bachelor of Music, Voice Performance, University of Toronto

Fellowships/YAPs: Aspen Opera Center, Manitoba Opera, Dayton Opera, Franz-Schubert-Institut, Toronto Summer Music Festival

Voice Teachers

Tracy Smith Bessette
Tracy Dahl
Jean MacPhail
Michael Schade

Coaches

Rachel Andrist
Martin Dubé
Michael McMahon
Philip Morehead

Directors

Rob Herriot
Valerie Kuinka
Glynis Leyshon
François Racine

Conductors

Barbara Hannigan
Jean-Sébastien Vallée
Timothy Vernon
Mark Vuorinen

Languages

English
French (fluent)
German (B2)
Italian (A2/B1)

Movement

Ballet (Opera Atelier)
Yoga (Teacher certification)

Awards (selected)

Winner - Wirth Vocal Prize - McGill University	2024
Grant Recipient - Canada Council for the Arts; Fonds de recherche du Québec	2024, 2020
3rd Prize, National Finals - Eckhardt-Grammaté Competition	2023
Barbara Eves-Sharp Bursary - Vancouver Opera Foundation	2021
Winner - Voice Performance - Hnatyshyn Foundation	2020
Ohio District Winner, Midwest Regional Finalist - Metropolitan Opera Laffont Competition	2020
Winner - Career Blueprint - International Resource Centre for the Performing Arts	2019