## Stephen Chambers - Tenor

## News

Stephen recently won 2nd place in the 2013 Handel Singing Competition in London. Stephen was also the recipient of 2nd prize in the Veronica Dunne International Singing Competition 2013 in Dublin, Ireland. He also won the Anthony Kearns prize for Best Male Singer & the Handel prize.

## Biography

New Zealand/British tenor Stephen Chambers holds a BSc in Physiology, as well as a MusB(Hons) from the University of Otago, a GPD(Opera) from the Boston Conservatory, and an MMus(Opera) from the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama.

Operatic roles played by Stephen include Soldier in *The Emperor of Atlantis*, Arturo in *Lucia di Lammermoor*, Albert in *Albert Herring*, Peter Quint in *The Turn of the Screw*, Tamino in *Die Zauberflöte*, The Schoolmaster in *The Cunning Little Vixen*, and Lt. Bonner in *War and Peace*. He also premiered the role of Daumer in *Kaspar Hauser: Child of Europe* by Rory Boyle.

In 2010 he made his debuts at the BBC Proms as a soloist in Vaughan Williams' *Serenade to Music* (BBC SSO / Runnicles), and at the Edinburgh Festival as a Trojan man in *Idomeneo* (SCO / Norrington).

Stephen studied with Stephen Robertson and completed the Opera Course at the RSAMD, as the recipient of the ABRSM International postgraduate scholarship. Stephen has also been supported by Sir James Caird's Travelling Scholarships Trust.

In 2011 Stephen went to the Britten-Pears Young Artist Programme, became a Samling scholar and attended the Festival d'Aix-en-Provence académies in June-July.

In 2012 Stephen was one of the Young Artists in Residence at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland (formerly RSAMD) and sang his first *St. John Passion* as both the Evangelist and tenor soloist with members of the Dunedin Consort and their conductor, John Butt (O.B.E). That Summer, Stephen sang in the Glyndebourne Festival Chorus and made his Glyndebourne debut in the role of Nuñes Vidal in *The Yellow Sofa* on the Glyndebourne tour.

Stephen most recently undertook part time studies with Dennis O'Neill & Nuccia Focile at the Welsh International Academy of Voice.

He is currently a young artist with the Staatsoper Berlin.

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