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JAMES WESTMAN

BARITONE

Whether performing song, concert or opera throughout the world, **James Westman's** passion and musicianship bring an extra dimension to his performances. His 2016-2017 season showcases a rewarding mix of repertoire ranging from the modern era back to the heights of *bel canto's* golden age. He starred as the Doctor in Barber's *Vanessa* for the Wexford Festival, as Enrico in *Lucia di Lammermoor* for Utah Opera, and triumphed in the iconic role of Sir John A MacDonald in Somers' *Louis Riel* in Toronto, Ottawa, and Quebec, celebrating Canada's Sesquicentennial Year. In concert, his schedule includes Verdi's *Requiem* for the Brott Music Festival, Martin's *In Terra Pax* for the Grant Park Music Festival in Chicago, *Elijah* for Choeur St. Laurent in Montréal, the Ontario Premiere of Kuzmenko's *Golden Harvest* for the Orpheus Choir of Toronto and a gala opera evening with the Los Angeles Symphony.

For the 2017 - 2018 season Mr. Westman looks forward to *Carmina Burana* with the St. Louis Symphony and the Vancouver Symphony, Donizetti's *L'assedio di Calais* with Odyssey Opera in Boston, Germont in *La traviata* with Manitoba Opera, the Brahms' *Requiem* with the L'orchestre symphonique de Québec, and the title role in *Rigoletto* for Opéra de Montréal.

Last season's highlights included Germont in *La traviata* for the Canadian Opera Company and L'orchestre symphonique de Trois Rivieres, Brahms' *Requiem* at the National Arts Centre and for the Vancouver Symphony, and Beethoven's *Symphony No. 9.* with the Calgary Philharmonic. He sang Bach's *Mass in B Minor* with Kitchener's Grand Philharmonic Choir, toured the Okanagan Valley in *Carmina Burana*, and sang *Messiah* for the McGill Chamber Orchestra.

Nominated for two Grammy awards and three Canadian Juno awards, Westman has recorded for Decca, Opera Rara, CBC and BBC. Widely regarded as a Verdi baritone, he has also been hailed in the works of Puccini, Massenet, Donizetti, Janaček, Bizet, and Britten for the Houston Grand Opera, Santa Fe Opera, Lyric Opera of Chicago, Vancouver Opera, English National Opera, Los Angeles Opera, San Francisco Opera, Florida Grand Opera, Boston Lyric Opera, New York City Opera, Michigan Opera Theatre, the Dallas Opera.

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