

HILLARY TUFFORD

MEZZO-SOPRANO



As Flora in *La Traviata* with Brott Festival –

"Tufford's voice in particular has a rich, velvety tone and strength that points towards future starring roles."

Dawn Martens, Opera Canada

As Olga in *Eugene Onegin* with Highlands Opera Studio –

"Hillary Tufford was an engaging Olga, perfectly embodying the flirtatious innocence of the character, while also showcasing a rich, velvety tone; hers will be a voice to listen for in the future."

Dawn Martens, Opera Canada

BIOGRAPHY

Canadian mezzo soprano Hillary Tufford is a versatile and engaging performer, a Graduate of Western University (M.Mus. Voice Performance) and Alumna of the Yulanda M. Faris Young Artist Program at Vancouver Opera. Hillary was "warm and fun as **Hermia**" in Vancouver Opera's production of Britten's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and sang **Flora** in Brott Opera's *La Traviata*. In 2024, Hillary debuted as **Carmen** with Toronto City Opera.

At Highlands Opera Studio's production of *Eugene Onegin*, Opera Canada's Dawn Martens wrote "Hillary Tufford was an engaging **Olga**, perfectly embodying the flirtatious innocence of the character, while also showcasing a rich, velvety tone".

On the concert stage, has performed as a soloist in *Messiah* with the Elmer Iseler Singers and Hamilton Philharmonic, in Beethoven's *Ninth Symphony* with Kingston Symphony and Rossini's *Petite Messe Solennelle* with Vancouver Bach Choir.

This season, Hillary participated in Banff Centre's Interplay program in a staged version of Bach's *St. Matthew Passion*, as well as scenes from contemporary operas. In October, Hillary is **Cherubino** in an international cast of *Le nozze di Figaro* with Daegu Opera House in Korea, sings *Messiah* with St. James Cathedral, Toronto and joins the cast as **Mrs. Demers** in *City Workers in Love* (Cavanagh/Wiesensel) in London, Ontario.

SELECTED RESUME

OPERA

Carmen *Carmen* | Toronto City Opera

Flora *La Traviata* | Brott Opera

Olga *Eugene Onegin* | Highlands Opera Studio

Hermia *A Midsummer Night's Dream* | Vancouver Opera

Hebe *HMS Pinafore* | Vancouver Opera

ORATORIO & CONCERT

Messiah (Handel) | Hamilton Philharmonic*, Elmer Iseler Singers

Petite Messe Solennelle (Rossini) | Vancouver Bach Choir

Requiem (Durufle) | Victoria Philharmonic Choir

Ninth Symphony (Beethoven) | Kingston Symphony

*Upcoming



as **Carmen** with Toronto City Opera

as **Hermia** in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* with Vancouver Opera



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