

# Raimonds Bramanis Tenor

Raimonds Bramanis is one of the leading tenors of the Latvian National Opera. In 2007, he graduated from the J. Vitols Latvian Academy of Music. Since then, he has participated in many masterclasses and has continued to develop his vocal prowess under the guidance of Paolo de Napoli.

Raimonds Bramanis made his debut at the LNOB in 2008 as a baritone in the role of **Papageno** in Mozart's *Die Zauberflöte*. Since then, he has sung **Nemorino** (*L'Elisir d'Amore*), **Don Ottavio** (*Don Giovanni*), the **Prince** (*The Love for Three Oranges*), **Ismaele** (*Nabucco*), **Alfredo Germont** (*La Traviata*), **Duke of Mantua** (*Rigoletto*), **Macduff** and **Malcolm** (*Macbeth*), **Roberto** (*Le Villi*), **Alfred** (*Die Fledermaus*), **Lensky** (Eugene Onegin), the **Architect** (Ē. Ešenvalds' *The Immured*), **Rodolfo** (*La bohème*) and the title role in Gounod's *Faust*.



Raimonds has portrayed **Alfredo Germont** in Magdeburg, Germany and Tallinn, Estonia. In 2011, he performed with the soprano Dinara Alieva at the Prague State Opera conducted by Maestro Ratislav Štúr. He was part of a concert production of Verdi's *Otello* together with the Latvian National Symphony Orchestra conducted by Karel Mark Chichon.

In 2015, he was awarded the "Latvijas Gāze" Annual Award for Opera 2015 as *Best Opera Soloist*. In 2019, he created the major role of **Tots** for the contemporary Latvian opera *I played, I danced* by composer Imants Kalnins and was nominated for the best singer in Latvia.

Last season, he sang **Duca** in *Rigoletto* with the Hong Kong Opera Company. His *Faust* at the Aalto Opera Essen was postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, but he managed to jump into Tartu Opera's production of Donizetti's *Linda di Chamounix*, where he sang the lead tenor role **Carlo**. Raimonds made his debut as **Cavaradossi** in Puccini's *Tosca* and sang the title role in the Latvian opera *Hamlet* composed by Jānis Kalniņš (1935) as well as **Gabriele Adorno** in Verdi's *Simone Boccanegra* at the Latvian National Opera.

Raimonds begins the 2022/23 season with the Vana Tallinn Gala 10 at the Estonia National Opera conducted Vello Pähn. This fall, he will sing **Camille de Rossillon** in Lehár's *Die lustige Witwe* for the Latvian National Opera and *Faust* at Aalto Opera Essen. He will also reprise the role of **Carlo** in *Linda di Chamounix* for the Tartu Opera.

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