





«When we deal with a professional, we know that he builds his competence with a know-how acquired through meticulous application and numerous hours of hard work.

The impression given of doing things with ease, makes us forget that the true professional has taken into account every single detail.

For art to reach out and touch people, it requires thorough work, precise attention and great effort, time after time.»

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Stéphane Decor President and orchestra conductor





To be in the core

of the opera and its history.

*perform* is Italian, it was made popular by **Monteverdi**. Other operas were created afterwards in France, Germany, Russia, Spain, in Poland, the Netherlands and in the Principality of Liège. Each one has brought forward its type, its technique, its interpretation and its acting skills.

The comic opera and the opéra bouffe created in a new style came in addition, taking root in the traditional opera.

The **Masterclass Tour** is a three weeks journey of initiation, during which you will be put into the heart of the operatic style, in order to immerse yourself in the places and the interpretations.

The first two weeks will allow you to stay in two prestigious opera venues: **Modena** and **Vienna**.

The third week will complete the series of masterclasses on the art of the interpretation of your roles on stage and will be dedicated to **the recording of your promotional CD** in the prestigious Swiss cultural city of **Basel**. This recording will enable you to measure your progress, and to use it for your own promotion.

High standard hotels and important cultural sites will be included in the tour program as well, giving you the opportunity to immerse yourself in the studied culture.



Reach perfection in all the styles of opera.

The Masterclass tour allows you each year to broaden your

comic opera and opéra bouffe.

As a professional opera singer, this masterclass tour will enable you to perpetuate your technical progress and widen your interpretation and actor(tress) skills in different operatic styles.

Your masterclasses are entirely guided by one style of opera, predefined for the tour.

Our mission is to get you to be able to adapt to different operatic styles, increasing your technical and interpreting range; you will acquire a remarkable quality of artistic communication and therefore enthuse your audience more and more during your international tours.

range of repertoire interpretation of the various operatic styles, including



The first week of the tour will take place in Austria. The city of Vienna has an ancestral lyric tradition, dating back to the 15<sup>th</sup> century. The 18<sup>th</sup> century is of course a golden age of the Viennese opera, especially with Mozart's Figaro's Wedding, shown for the first time in 1786.

Visits to prestigious Viennese and Salzburg art venues will be organized.

### The masterclasses

The Wiener Musikakademie will have the honor to open this tour, under Boris Perrenoud's supervision.

You will take part in three master classes in order to broaden your theoretical, technical and interpretative range, thus in the purest German operatic style.

# $1^{\text{st}}$ week VIENNA

Vienna, the city with a huge artistic heritage, thanks to Mozart, Strauss and Beethoven, its most famous inhabitants.



Modena, the city of the elite of motor sport, gastronomy and of the Luciano Pavarotti

Opera House.

The Luciano Pavarotti Foundation has, amongst its goals, the perpetuation of the artistic and human heritage of the Maestro, by supporting the talented opera singers.

> The Maestro has brought opera to millions of people all over the world. His spectacular voice, his disarming charism and his unlimited generosity touched many people's hearts.

> Although his achievements place him in the Olympus of the artists, his most significant heritage is his sense of the power of culture enabling a better world.

> As a Peace Messenger of the United Nations, Maestro Pavarotti has used the opera as a healing strength for millions of young people. His sense of duty sharing passion and cultivating talent - is still alive today.

> Visits to the Maestro's Museum, as well as to prestigious art venues in the region, will be organized.

#### The master classes

It is in this mythical place of the Maestro that you will be given the three master classes in the purest Italian style.

# <sup>2<sup>nd</sup> week</sup> MODENA



Basel,"Switzerland's Cultural Capitat", offers a world-class cultural program.

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This Beautiful medieval city, favorable to international exchanges due

to the particularity of its borders with Germany and France, gives home to one of the most prestigious music academies, one of the world's most renowned sites for the making of ancient instruments, and famous concert halls.

#### Master classes and recordings

The Swiss cultural capital and headquarters of **ArtInitiative Switzerland**, will end the tour with a week of recordings with a symphonic orchestra, preceded by master classes that are unique, but very important for your career, under the supervision of **Maestro Stéphane Decor**.

A master class with **Mrs. Laura Ansaldi**, international singer with additional training at the Actor's Studio in London, will allow you to broaden your acting, which is a major part in your career as a soloist.

The icing on the cake will be Maestro Stéphane Decor's unique master class; it is the extension of the perfecting of the acting skills. It is also under his artistic direction that you will complete this master class tour.

### 3rd and 4th week BASEL



**ArtInitiative** is a production agency based in Basel, our team is composed of quality artists dedicated to the diffusion of Art in society.

#### **Our Vision**

Uplifting the world and thus culture through the aesthetic of high-quality music in beautiful venues on the main continents. With ArtInitiative we can fulfil that goal.

#### What we do

We produce musical shows with world-famous artists as well as symphonic or chamber concerts.

We connect talented artists and beautiful spaces to create aesthetic uplifting experiences.

We bring audiences beyond lights and sounds with high quality interpretation.

In partnership with the **Wiener Musikakademie Association Switzerland**, we support Swiss professional artists in their creative process and enable them to bring their projects to fruition by giving them the first chance to perform in Switzerland and abroad, in collaboration with the **Wiener Musikakademie** from Vienna (Austria). We promote their artistic progress among cultural and entertainment professionals.

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" I think music in itself is healing. It's an explosive expression of humanity. It's something we are all touched by. No matter what culture we're from, everyone loves music".

Billy Joel



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