

## Press Release DANIELA BARCELLONA CLOSES THE CONCERTI DI BELCANTO SERIES Event on 21th August at 16:00 at the Teatro Rossini

The final concert in the *Concerti di Belcanto* series at ROF 2024 will take place on Wednesday 21st August at 16:00 at the Teatro Rossini. The event will feature Daniela Barcellona, one of the festival's most beloved singers, accompanied on the piano by Alessandro Vitiello.

The programme will include pieces by M. de Falla (Siete canciones populares españolas), F. P. Tosti (Quattro canzoni d'Amaranta), F. Chopin (Polonaise in C-sharp minor, Op. 26 No. 1 and Polonaise in A major, 'Military', Op. 40 No. 1), G. Rossini (selections from Péchés de vieillesse, Vol. 1 Album italiano; Recitative 'Oh patria!' and Tancredi's Cavatina 'Di tanti palpiti' from Tancredi), A. Thomas (Mignon's Aria 'Connais-tu le pays' from Mignon) and G. Donizetti (Recitative 'L'ai-je bien entendu' and Léonor's Aria 'O mon Fernand' from La Favorite).

Mezzo-soprano Daniela Barcellona was born in Trieste, where she completed her musical and vocal studies under the guidance of Alessandro Vitiello. After winning prestigious international competitions, she made her debut as the lead in *Tancredi* at the Rossini Opera Festival in Pesaro in 1999. Since then, she has established herself as a leading interpreter of *en travesti* roles, performing at the world's most prestigious theatres.

Among the numerous awards she has received are the 'Premio Abbiati', the 'Lucia Valentini-Terrani' prize, the 'Aureliano Pertile' prize, the 'International Opera Award', the 'CD Classica' award, the 'Rossini d'oro', the 'San Giusto d'Oro', the 'Sigillo trecentesco' of Trieste, the 'Oscar della lirica', the 'Olivier Award', the 'Pesaro Music Award' and the 'Tutto Verdi International Award'.

Her extensive discography includes monographs dedicated to Scarlatti and Pergolesi, as well as operas by Rossini, Bellini, Mayr, Meyerbeer and Berlioz. Additionally, she is featured in the famous recording of Verdi's *Requiem* with Claudio Abbado and the Berliner Philharmoniker and a multi-award-winning complete recording of *Semiramide* published by Opera Rara.

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