

## **Anna Belaya, soprano**

Ukrainian born soprano, Anna Belaya made her Mexican debut in 2008 as Micaela in G. Bizet's *Carmen* with Opera Tijuana. Her subsequent 2009 appearance in Mexico as Gianetta in G. Donizetti's *Elisir d'Amore* in the co-production between Cultural Center of Tijuana CECUT and Bellas Artes in Mexico City was received with glowing reviews. Isaac Namme Galindo of Tijuana's *El Mexicano* wrote "...dramatic soprano Anna Belaya possesses an extraordinary timbre of profound musicality, ...a potent voice that clearly projects itself in a velvety ray of impeccable technique and deep resonance."

In Kiev Conservatory Opera Studio Anna has appeared in productions of P.I. Tchaikovsky's *Eugene Onegin* as Tatiana, and G.Verdi's *La Traviata* as Anina, and subsequently Flora.

An active performer, Anna has given numerous solo recitals in Mexico and the United States, including Teatro Benito Juarez, in Baja California, Mexico and an appearance in the Athenaeum Concert Series at the *Lyceum Theater* in San Diego, California.

In 2007 Ms. Belaya was a student at the International Vocal School in Moscow, where she worked with Rudolf Piernay (London), Richard Bado (Houston Grand Opera). Anna has also performed in master classes with renowned tenor, Robert C. White (USA), and dramatic soprano Diane Zola (Artistic Administrator for Houston Grand Opera).

Anna Belaya is a two-time recipient of laureate (1997/98) in the Ukrainian competition-festival Ukrainian Talents in the category Arts of Acting.

As an artist who believes in helping her community in every possible way, Ms. Belaya has donated the proceeds from her recitals in Mexico, to the Mexican Red Cross organization.

Anna Belaya holds a Post-Graduate Specialist Diploma in Vocal Performance from the P.I. Tchaikovsky Conservatory in Kiev, Ukraine, as well as the Post-Graduate Specialist Diploma in German and English from the Kiev Polytechnic Institute, graduating Suma Cum Laude.

Her principal teachers include Galina Suhorukova (Kiev Conservatory) and Dmitry Vdovin (Artistic Director of the Bol'shoi Opera Theater Young Artist program).