

SOPRANO  
**YUNONA TABALA**

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**Professional profile:**

*Yunona Tabala is a Russian-American soprano, specializing in the Bel Canto, Bach, and Handel repertoire. Additionally, she is a violinist and a pianist, passionate about curating collaborative projects featuring both vocal and instrumental repertoire. A dedicated educator, Yunona serves on the faculty at MJ's Music School where she is teaching beginner to upper intermediate-level courses on voice, piano, and violin.*

**Education & training:**

Artist Training Program at Longy School of Music	Mass Opera	2022-2023
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M.M. in Vocal Performance ( <i>Natasha Jakoff Scholar</i> )	Longy School of Music of Bard College	2023 <sup>expected</sup>
Artist Diploma in Vocal Performance	Columbus State University	2021
Utah Vocal Arts Academy Opera Festival	Utah Valley University in Orem, Utah	2020
B.M. in Violin Performance ( <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> )	Columbus State University	2019

**Recitals:**

<i>Bel Canto Adventures: solo recital</i>	Longy School of Music of Bard College	<b>2023</b>
<i>How fair is the spot: solo recital</i>	Longy School of Music of Bard College	2022
<i>About Her: portraits of women in song</i>	Schwob School of Music	2021
<i>Colors of the Wind: voice, flute and piano recital</i>	KoArt Academy	2021
<i>Le Rossignol et le Rose: solo recital</i>	First Presbyterian Christian Center	2021
<i>Heritage concert series</i>	Schwob School of Music	2020

**Awards:**

Honorable mention	Artist Division	American Virtuoso International Music Competition	2022
Honorable mention	Collegiate Competition	Rhode Island Civic Chorale and Orchestra	2022
First Prize	Young Artist Category	Charleston International Competition	2021
Second Place	College Division	NOA Robert Hansen Opera Scenes Competition	2020
First Prize	Aria Competition	Utah Vocal Arts Academy Summer Opera Festival	2020

**Voice Teachers:**

Dana Varga  
Joshua May  
Joseph Golden

**Coaches:**

Felix Jarrar  
Brian Moll  
Marc Verzatt  
Jeffrey Price

**Directors:**

Patricia-Maria Weinmann  
C. Mastrodomenico  
Ellen Denham  
Joshua May

**Conductors:**

Ryan Turner  
David Flowers  
Paul Hostetter  
Mark Russel Smith

**Teaching experience:**

MJ's Music School Private Music Instructor in Voice, Piano and Violin  
February 2022, Waltham, MA

- Teaching private music lessons to young professional musicians and avid hobbyists
- Facilitating healing and comfortable learning environment for students with ADHD and Autism

Classroom Cantatas Teaching artist, small group instructor  
February 2022 -April 2022, Boston, MA

- Guiding elementary schoolers from underprivileged communities in sharing their voices in songwriting
- Assisting students in text writing and melody writing, facilitating teamwork

I will sing! Grace Presbyterian Summer Choir Camp Choir teacher, conductor  
July 2021 - August 2021, Columbus, GA

- Managing rehearsals and conducting choir of children ages 8 through 11
- Working on multiple voice singing through the variety of vocal exercises and in repertoire
- Preparing for the final concert, introducing the pieces and conducting at the final concert

Schwob School of Music Preparatory Division Private Music Instructor in Violin and Piano  
July 2015 - August 2021, Columbus, GA

- Teaching private music lessons to young professionals and avid hobbyists
- Encouraging musical curiosity and research by assigning a piece of choice every month
- Preparing students for showcasing their achievements at the yearly Preparatory Division recital

**Opera performance experience:**

Creon	<i>Antigone</i>	Longy School of Music of Bard College	2022
Carrie Mae	<i>Silver Fox</i>	Longy School of Music of Bard College	2022
Amahl	<i>Amahl and the Night Visitors</i>	Music on Site, Inc. in Wichita, Kansas	2021
Mlle Silberklang	<i>Der Schauspieldirektor</i>	Columbus State University	2021
Geraldine	<i>A Hand of Bridge</i>	Columbus State University	2020
Second Knitter	<i>A Game of Chance</i>	Columbus State University	2020

**Ensemble singing performance experience:**

Soprano 1	Sfit Orchestra Project, Boston, MA	September '22
Soprano section leader	First Parish in Lexington, MA	September '22 - present
Interim soprano section leader	First Parish in Lexington, MA	March 2022 - June 2022
Choir scholar	Trinity Episcopal Church in Columbus, GA	July 2015 - July 2021

**Instrumental performance experience:**

Konzertmeister, Violin 1	Curtis Summerfest: Tchaikovsky "Swan lake"	2017
Violin 1	Curtis Summerfest: Schumann String Quintet	2017
Violin 1, Violin 2	Columbus State University Symphony Orchestra	2014-2018
Pit violinist	Springer Opera House: <i>Chicago</i>	2019
Pit keyboardist	Springer Opera House: <i>Mamma Mia</i>	2020

**Additional Skills:**

**Languages:**

English: fluent

Russian: fluent

German: conversational

Italian: conversational

**Dance:**

Ballet training: 6 years

**Instrumental music:**

Classical violin training: 16 years

Classical piano training: 9 year