## FRAN DANIEL LAUCERICA

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Hailed by Opera News as "a very promising high tenor" Cuban-American Fran Daniel Laucerica has been praised for his clarity, agility and musical versatility as a rising star on the operatic and concert stages.

Mr. Laucerica joins **Virginia Opera** as an Emerging Artist for 2022-2023 season singing Alfredo/La Traviata (Emerging Artist Performance) as well as Gastone, and covers Frederic/*The Pirates of Penzance* and Timothy Laughlin/*Fellow Travelers*. Later in the season, he joins the Grammy-award winning new music ensemble **The Crossing** debuting Hearne's *Farming*, and making his **New York Philharmonic** debut singing the premiere of *unEarth* by Julie Wolf. Other role/house debuts include **Opera Ithaca** as Pluto/*Orpheus in the Underworld* and **First Coast Opera** as Silvio/*Le docteur miracle*. He also joins **Lawrence University** as a guest soloist in the Brahms Liebeslieder Waltzes, Op. 52 and debuts with **Madison Bach Musicians** in a concert of Latin American Baroque Music.

Last season, he was a young artist with **The Glimmerglass Festival**, premiering the leading role of Dante/ *Tenor Overboard*, a newly fashioned Rossini pastiche by Ken Ludwig, and covered the tenor roles in both
Sankaram's *Taking Up Serpents* and the premiere of Geter's *Holy Ground*. He was also a Resident Artist with **Toledo Opera**, where he sang Count Almaviva in a touring production of *The Barber of Seville*, Ferrando/ *Cosí fan tutte* (Resident Artist Performance) and Gastone in *La Traviata*. Additionally, Mr. Laucerica joined **Seaglass Theater Company** to perform scenes from *Les pêcheurs de perles* and Arrieta's *Marina*.

Amidst the shutdown, he joined **Wolf Trap Opera** for both the 2020 and 2021 seasons as a studio artist where he covered the roles of Adolfo Pirelli/Sweeney Todd, Comte Barigoule/Cendrillon, and Satyavān in Holst's Sāvitri, and performed scenes from Billy Budd and Fellow Travelers.

Mr. Laucerica's other recent opera credits include Tamino/Die Zauberflöte with Miami Music Festival, Miguelín in the premiere of Omar Najmi's En la ardiente oscuridad with Catalyst New Music Ensemble, 2nd Seigneur in Saint Saëns' Henry VIII with Odyssey Opera, The Vain Man/The Snake in Rachel Portman's The Little Prince as well as Don Ottavio/Don Giovanni (cover) with NEMPAC Opera, and Peter Quint/Turn of the Screw (cover), Reverend Samuel Parris/The Crucible, and the title role in Albert Herring with Chicago Summer Opera. Other roles include Ernesto/Don Pasquale, The Magician in The Consul, and Chevalier de la Force/Dialogues des Carmélites (cover) with Boston Conservatory.

On the concert stage, Mr. Laucerica has been the tenor soloist in varied works including Orff's Carmina Burana with Lexington Symphony, Handel's Messiah with the Callipygian Players, Hailstork's I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes with Glencoe Union Church, as well as Mozart's Coronation Mass, and Puccini's Messa di Gloria as a guest soloist with the Northwestern University Symphony Orchestra. A passionate advocate for new music, Mr. Laucerica has premiered several works including Samuel Carl Adams' Light Readings with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra MusicNOW initiative and David Lang's a house with the Bienen Contemporary Vocal Ensemble.

Mr. Laucerica is a recent Encouragement Award Winner in the Metropolitan Opera Laffont Competition, as well as a semi-finalist in the SAS Performing Arts, Camerata Bardi and Music International Grand Prix competitions. He graduated from the **Boston Conservatory** with a Master's in Opera Performance and a Bachelor's from **Northwestern University**.