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## **CANER AKGUN**



Was born in Zonguldak, Turkey. Started his musical activities in 1999 at Ministry of Culture Youth Polyphonic Choir and Alegria Chamber Choir.

In 2008, completed his singing education at Hacettepe University State Conservatory, with Eralp Kiyici and Prof. Mustafa Yurdakul, graduating with the first degree.

He has participated to the Master Classes with Elio Battaglia about Hugo Wolf and Gustav Mahler. Between 2006 and 2008, he has participated to the Master Classes and several concerts at "MozarteumInternational Summer Academy of Salzburg", with Elio Battaglia.

He won the third prize in "National Young Voices Singing Contest" in Ankara in 2006. In February 2007, he won The Mansion at "Lied Contest" which organized by Sedat – GüzinGürel Foundation of Education and the Arts. In

April 2007, he won the third prize in "9 th Siemens National Singing Competition" in Istanbul, Turkey, and in November of 2007, he was one of the finalists in "Marie Kraja Singing Competition" in Tirana, Albania. He won the second prize in " Young Singers Competiton" in Izmir, Turkey which was organized by Izmir State Opera and Ballet on April 2008. He was the finalist in " 7 th International Leyla Gencer Singing Competition" in Istanbul, September 2007.

Akgun, joined the ensemble of Istanbul Opera House Turkey ,in September 2007 and also he sings Mersin, Izmir, Mersin, Samsun, Ankara State Opera House. and he performed the roles of:

Rigoletto in Verdi's Rigoletto

Giorgio Germont in Verdi's La Traviata

Ford in Verdi's Falstaff

Scarpia in Puccini's Tosca

Escamillo in Bizet's Carmen

Marcello in La Boheme by Puccini

Figaro in Rossini's Il Barbiere di Siviglia

Dandini Rossini's La Cenerentola

Poeta Rossini's Il Turco in Italia

Don Giovanni in Mozart's Don Giovanni

Il Conte d'Almaviva in Mozart's Le nozze di Figaro

Papageno in Mozart's Die Zauberflote Guglielmo, Mozart's Cosi fan tutte

Dottore Malatesta in G.Donizetti's Don Pasquale Belcore in Donizetti's L'elisir d'amore

Valentin in Gounod's Faust

Poeta in Salieri's Prima la Musica e poi le parole,

He performed Vincenzo Bellini's Arie da Camera, Mahler Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen in Istanbul, Ankara and Izmir.

He performed Orff's Carmina Burana, Bacalov's Misa Tango, Mozart's Requiem, Beethoven 9th Symphonie with C.S.O, Antalya State Symphony Orchestra, Bursa State Symphony Orchestra, Orchestra Sion and Istanbul State Opera and Ballet Orchestra.

Caner Akgun was elected as the Most Successful Opera Singer of Young Generation in the 2010-2011 season by Semiha BerksoyOpera Foundation.

Akgun speaks Italian and English.

Still is a member of the Ensemble of Istanbul State Opera and Ballet as a Soloist and Artistic Director.