

Lenneke Ruiten, soprano

In 2002 Lenneke Ruiten won the first prize, the press prize, the audience prize, the prize for the best Dutch participant and the youth jury prize at the **International Voice Competition** in 's-Hertogenbosch.

She sang **Susanna** / Le Nozze di Figaro in Munich, **Amor** / Orfeo ed Euridice (Opera Zuid), **Yniold** / Pelleas et Mélisande and **Ksenia** / Boris Godunov (De Nationale Reisopera). In 2006 she made her debut at the Schleswig Holstein Music Festival as **Blondchen** / Die Entführung aus dem Serail. Conducted by Michail Jurowski, she sang **Clorinda** / Combattimento di Tancredi e Clorinda in Cologne. In concert performances she sang **Elisa** / Il re pastore and **Mme Herz** / Der Schauspieldirektor in the Concertgebouw and **Angèle Didier** / Der Graf von Luxemburg in Essen.

Lenneke Ruiten works with the Concertgebouw Chamber Orchestra, the Netherlands Chamber Orchestra, the Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra, the NDR Orchestra, the Munich Chamber Orchestra, the Dresden Barock Orchestra, the Combattimento Consort Amsterdam with Rolf Beck, Frans Brüggen, Peter Dijkstra, Helmuth Froschauer, Yakov Kreizberg, Alessandro de Marchi, Arnold Östman, Christoph Poppen, Ed Spanjaard and Jan Willem de Vriend.

Lenneke Ruiten has given concerts in Munich, Hanover, Dresden, Frankfurt (Kaisersaal), Geneva (Victoria Hall), Berne (Kulturcasino), Montreux (Auditorium Strawinsky), Zürich (Tonhalle), Lucerne (KKL), Brussels, Madrid, Dublin (National Concert Hall), Galway, Wexford, New York, Liechtenstein, Japan, France and Austria. Festivals; Rheingau Music Festival, West Cork Chamber Music Festival, Delft Chamber Music Festival.

For the WDR Lenneke Ruiten made radio, CD and TV recordings with the WDR Radio Orchestra, performing repertoire by Schubert, Bruckner, Mozart and Eibler. In 2008 the CD 'Musik der Wiener Hofkapelle' (PhönixEd) appeared.

In addition to opera and concert singing Lenneke Ruiten has a special passion for Lieder. She works with the pianists Thom Janssen and Rudolf Jansen. The Dutch broadcasting corporation AVRO brought out a live recording on CD of the song recital Lenneke Ruiten gave in the Recital Hall of the Concertgebouw in 2003. In 2005 her new CD *Mémoires Françaises* appeared, to wide acclaim. In 2008 her new CD will appear with songs by Johannes Brahms (on Brilliant Classics).

Upcoming engagements:

- **Exultate jubilate** with the RTÉ National Symphony Orchestra / Gerhard Markson, Dublin
- The Netherlands Opera: **Falke, Hüter der Schwelle** / Die Frau ohne Schatten
- The Netherlands Opera: **Gabriel** / Adam in Ballingschap by Rob Zuidam
- **Carmina Burana** with the Munich Bach Choir, Munich
- Beethoven's **9th Symphony** with the Arnhem Philharmonic Orchestra, tour of the Netherlands
- **Pamina** / Die Zauberflöte, the Lausanne Opera