

# LESLIE MARTIN - Curriculum Vitae

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Griffith University, Conservatorium of Music

**Graduate Diploma of Music – Opera Performance**  
Griffith University, Conservatorium of Music

**Graduate Diploma of Music - Voice**  
Griffith University, Conservatorium of Music

**Diploma of Operatic Art**  
Sydney University, Conservatorium of Music

**Australian Academy of Music Theatre**

## PROFESSIONAL THEATRE (Roles):

Norina	Don Pasquale	Arosa Musik Theater
Annabel	The Song Bird	Opera Queensland
Ensemble	Sweeney Todd (Gale Edwards, Director)	Opera Queensland
First Bridesmaid	Le Nozze di Figaro	The Australian Opera
Lola's friend	Cavalleria Rusticana	The Australian Opera
Acolyte	Tosca	The Australian Opera
Il paggio	Rigoletto	The Australian Opera
Midinette	Il Tabarro	The Australian Opera
Monkey/Star	Grandma's Shoes	The Australian Opera Workshop
1 <sup>st</sup> Handmaiden	Turandot	The Australian Opera

## MOVIES

A Heartbeat Away	Big Ideas
Daydream Believer	Exchange Lifeguards
The Distant Home	

## TELEVISION

G.P.	Brides of Christ
Home and Away	Mondo Piccolo
Secret Weapon	Minder
The Paper Man	

## COMMERCIALS

Playskool Talking Animal Keyboard (Lead)  
St George  
AGC Submission  
BNZ  
Tooheys Dry  
Quarantine Campaign (SBS)  
Burger Rings  
Rugby League 1993 Season  
Neighbours

## TRAINING VIDEOS

Sheraton-Wentworth

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## PROFESSIONAL THEATRE (Opera Chorus):

### *Opera Queensland*

The Damnation of Faust                      The Pearl Fishers  
Andrea Chenier                                  The Magic Flute

### *The Australian Opera*

Tannhauser	Aida	Cavalleria Rusticana
Macbeth	Carmen	The Gondoliers
Die Fledermaus	Peter Grimes	Die Meistersinger
La Fille du Regiment	Patience	Tosca
Falstaff	Rigoletto	Il Trittico
The Marriage of Figaro	Les Troyennes	Katya Kabanova
The Flying Dutchman	The Eighth Wonder	The Magic Flute
La Boheme	Il Trovatore	Madama Butterfly
Nabucco	Orpheus and Eurydice	Turandot
Otello	Rusalka	The Pearl Fishers
Medee	I Pagliacci	Fidelio

Vittorio Rossi's Production of Puccini's Turandot      Sydney Cricket Ground  
The Sorcerer (with Bernard King)                      Historic Houses Trust (Sydney)

## RECORDINGS

**CD:**     **Say Hello to the Opera**                                  ABC Children's Classics  
          Leslie Martin - **Treasures** (Operetta and Opera)      With John Woods, piano  
          **Showstoppers** (Opera and Musicals)                  Vavachi Classic Occasions  
          Title role in **Tom Thumb** (Gerald Berg)              World premiere with the Moravian Philharmonic

**DVD:** *The Australian Opera*

**Die Fledermaus**    **Chorus!**    **Patience**

**FILM:**    Il dolce suono    **Touch** (a short film)

## CONCERTS with Orchestra

### *St Lucia Orchestra*

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| ❖ Strauss and Friends                    | ❖ Dance and Romance |
| ❖ Remember and Celebrate (Armistice Day) | ❖ Showtime!         |
| ❖ Spectacular Spectacular                | ❖ Concert           |
| ❖ An SLO Schonell Christmas              | ❖ Christmas Concert |

Rosies Friends on the Street Fundraiser	Roma Street Parklands with Brisbane Youth Orchestra
An Evening in Vienna	Queensland Pops Orchestra
Classical Concert	Sunshine Coast Orchestra
Messiah	Nepean Choral Society
Fluid (What's That Spell?)	Collusion
Australia Day Awards, Redcliffe City Council	Australian Army Band Brisbane
Redcliffe Twilight Opera Concert	Australian Army Band Brisbane
Four Russian Songs (Stravinsky)	Queensland Conservatorium
Twilight Baroque (Jauchzet Gott)	Early Music Union, Brisbane
An Old Fashioned Christmas	Opera Queensland, Kedron-Wavell Services Club
Baroque songs/arias by Purcell and Handel	Early Music Union, Brisbane
King Arthur (Purcell)	Early Music Union, Brisbane
Verdi Requiem	Opera Queensland
Opera on the Beach 2001 (Sutherland Shire)	Tom Woods and the Australian Youth Orchestra David Hobson, Rebecca Collins, Geoffrey Chard
Opera on the Beach 2000 (Sutherland Shire)	Tom Woods and the Australian Youth Orchestra Christa Leahmann, Joshua Bloom
Opera on the Beach 1999 (Sutherland Shire)	Sven Liebeck and the Sutherland Shire Symphony Orchestra Horst Hoffmann, Christa Leahmann, Jae-Woo Kim
Opera on the Beach 1998 (Sutherland Shire)	Steven Capaldo and The Orchestra of the Sutherland Shire
Beethoven's Symphony No. 9	Brisbane Sinfonia

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## CONCERTS with Orchestra (continued)

Seriously Bach	Badinerie Players at State Library of Queensland
Missa in tempore belli (Haydn)	Musica Antiqua Collegii (Brisbane)
Bach Magnificat	Brisbane Philharmonic
<i>Sydney University Graduates Choir</i>	
❖ Magic Flute Excerpts	❖ Te Deum (Charpentier)
❖ Saul (Michal)	❖ Triste, Triste (Bowen – Premiere)
❖ Coronation Mass	❖ Vesperae di Dominica (Mozart)
❖ Mozart Requiem	❖ Missa Brevis in C (Mozart)
❖ Bachanalia	❖ Messiah
❖ Presenting Purcell	❖ St John's Passion
❖ Christmas Fantasia	❖ Vivaldi Gloria
❖ Carmina Burana	❖ This Endriss Night (Bowen - Premiere)
❖ Die Schöpfung	❖ Night at the Opera
Music of Vienna	Willoughby Symphony Orchestra
Scarlatti Cantatas and solos	I capelli musici
Bloomsday with Linda Cropper, Graeme Ewer	State Library of NSW

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (Other):

One Day Cricket International Finals (National Anthem) The Gabba (Australia v. Pakistan)

*Nostalgia Productions, Sydney Town Hall*

- ❖ The Good Old Days (with David Hobson)
- ❖ Waltzes from Vienna
- ❖ Leslie Martin & Dean Sinclair (Operetta)

*Vavachi Entertainment*

- ❖ Opera at Salt Village
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (Twin Towns)
- ❖ Peppers Opera in the Park (Salt Village)
- ❖ Mondo Organics – Italian nights
- ❖ Opera on Kings (2005 – 2009)
- ❖ Queensland Tattersalls Club (2006 - 2008)
- ❖ Opera on Broadbeach (2004 - 2006)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (Yamba Bowls Club)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (Caloundra RSL)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (Nara Resort)
- ❖ Christmas in July (Kookaburra River Queens)
- ❖ Opera at the Rock (2004 - 2005)
- ❖ Morning Melodies (Twin Towns)
- ❖ Speed on Tweed (2005, 2006)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (Club Banora)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (La Opera, Maroochydore)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (Cairns Civic Theatre)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (Illawarra Catholic Club)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (Hope Island Resort)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti (Southport RSL)
- ❖ Broadway to Pavarotti
- ❖ Opera Aweigh! (Kookaburra River Queens)

The World of Musical Comedy

Sweethearts

Armidale Bach Festival 2003

The Nutcracker – Men in Tights

The Tempest (Tahourdin)

Astronaut and Astronomer (Chesworth)

A Wurlitzer Christmas

Australia Remembers – Hits of the Blitz

Bach's Greatest Hits with Robert Ampt, Organist Great Organ at Sydney Town Hall

*Fundraisers*

- ❖ 2006 Butterfly Appeal - Hear and Say Centre Campaign Launch
- ❖ Garvan Institute Fundraiser
- ❖ Australian Opera Benevolent Fundraiser
- ❖ Save the Children Fund Fundraiser
- ❖ Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children Fundraiser

West End Theatre Management, Gold Coast Arts Centre

Opera Queensland at the Brisbane City Hall

Badinerie Players

Sydney Gay Men's Chorus

OzOpera, Opera Australia

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Town Hall, Chatswood

Royal Australian Army Band

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## CREATIVE DIRECTION:

Babes, Bullets and Broadway – a musical tribute to the gangsters and mayhem of the 20s and 30s  
Hormone Explosion - a blend of Opera and Circus  
The Supreme Dreams – Australia's Motown Sensation  
Pavarotti Viva! (A tribute to Luciano Pavarotti)  
Tosca – The story of the Opera 4MBS Classic FM  
The Eager Divas (Opera Cabaret) with Sandra Partridge and Georgia Irish  
Legal and General Sesquicentenary Revue Legal and General, Sydney

## CORPORATE CLIENTS:

AusDrinks	Hyatt Sanctuary Cove	Dermologica
LJ Hooker	Queensland Medical	GP conference (Marriott)
Gold Coast Marathon	Pan Events	Shane Warne Foundation
Parmalat	Cricket Australia	L'Esprit, Southport
Jupiters Casino	Golder Associates	Legends of Sport
Greg Cooley Wines (2007-2009)		
Gold Coast Australian Meat Board		

## AWARDS:

Elisabeth Muir Scholarship	Sydney Savage Club Vocal Scholarship
Margaret Forbes-Smith Scholarship	Siemens Plessey Aria Award
2001 Griffith Award for Academic Excellence	Ann Wood Memorial Award
Singer of the Year, Melbourne Welsh Male Voice Choir	
Opera Foundation Australia Shell Covent Garden Scholarship – Finalist 1995	
Nerissa Niblo Coloratura Soprano Scholarship	
Arete Zantiotis Memorial Scholarship	

## MASTERCLASSES and VOCAL COACHING

Prof. Renate Faltin	Martino Stamos	Marilyn Richardson
Scott Curry	John Cameron	Werner Baer
Ghillian Sullivan	Victor Morris	Jan Delpratt
Graham Pushee	Lisa Hagenau	Bettine Macaughan
Adele Nisbet	Anna Sweeney	Andrew Greene
Narelle French	Rita Hunter	Ron Maconaghie
David Harper	Beverley Rinaldi	Bill Reid
Georg Tintner	Prof. Phillip Langshaw	Bernd Benthak
Michael Parker	Rudolf Piernay	

## CONCERTS / RECITALS

Opera Under the Gums	Sherwood State School Fundraiser
It's A Mad Mad Mad Mad World (songs by Purcell, Mozart, Thomas, R. Strauss, Sondheim)	Solo recital of 'Mad' Songs
An Opera Showcase by Joseph Ward	Queensland Conservatorium
Hilton Afternoon Tea	Hilton Hotel, Brisbane
Opera Fundraising Dinner with Jeffrey Black	Queensland Conservatorium
An Afternoon with the Bards	St Andrews Lunchtime Concerts, Brisbane
The Power and the Passion	Opera Ontr'ack
The Fast Night of the Proms	Rotary Club of Wahroonga
Opera Ochre	Australian Technology Park
The Eager Divas	Sydney Savage Club
Tribute to Johann Strauss II	The Kings' School, Paramatta
Opera Gala	Queen's Palace, Prague
Young Australia	ABC FM
Gilbert & Sullivan Concert	Hunters Hill Music Club
Cynthia Johnston Farewell	Sydney Conservatorium of Music
Victoriana/Music Hall	St John's Rockdale Centenary Celebrations
Mozart, R. Strauss, Poulenc, Rodrigo	St Stephen's Uniting Church, Macquarie Street, Sydney
Recital	Ryde Eastwood District Music Club
Mozart, R. Strauss, Poulenc, Rodrigo	2MBS FM
Musical Afternoon	Willoughby Symphony Orchestra
Gilbert & Sullivan Concert	Gilbert & Sullivan Society
Lieder Masterclasses with Werner Baer	WEA, Sydney