

AMY MAUDE HELFER

Mezzo-Soprano



Mezzo-soprano Amy Maude Helfer is a versatile singing actor who has graced the stages of opera, operetta, and musical theatre. Her performances are marked by her "plangent mezzo" (QonStage) and "intriguing near contralto...and a mouth made for sarcastic asides" (Parterre Box).

In 2024, Amy makes several role debuts, showcasing her impressive range. She will appear as Counsel *in Trial by Jury* and Mrs. Partlet in *The Sorcerer* with NYGASP, The Pirate King in *The Pirates of Penzance* with Raylynmor Opera, and Klytëmnestra in *Elektra* with Madison Lyric Stage. Additionally, she will perform in concerts with

Opera Theater of Connecticut and the Sanibel Music Festival as well as a featured artist in a Sondheim program on the George Flynn Classical Concert series.

Amy-Maude's recent performances include Stéphano in *Roméo et Juliette* with NYCO, the Witch in *Hansel and Gretel* with Opera Theater of Connecticut, Pitti-Sing in *The Mikado*, and Lady Angela in *Patience* with NYGASP, plus Sister Margaretta in *The Sound of Music* at Ivoryton Playhouse. She had the privilege of performing as Rosina in *II barbiere di Siviglia* with NYCO and was the alto soloist in Lera Auerbach's *Symphony no. 6, Vessels of Light* in concert with NYCO at Carnegie Hall.

Amy Maude Helfer's extensive experience in operetta and musical theatre includes memorable performances as Mrs. Lovett in *Sweeney Todd* at the Hawaii Performing Arts Festival, Ruth in *The Pirates of Penzance* with Utopia Opera, Phoebe in *The Yeomen of the Guard* at Winter Opera Saint Louis, Clotilde Lombaste in *The New Moon*, Susan in *The Desert Song*, Ethel Brander in *Rose-Marie* with Light Opera of New York, and Kate in *The Pirates of Penzance* with Boheme Opera NJ. The artist has enjoyed a long and notable relationship with NYGASP as the title role in *Iolanthe*, Phoebe in *The Yeomen of the Guard*, Tessa in *The Gondoliers*, Lady Angela and Lady Saphir in *Patience*, Melissa in *Princess Ida*, as well as over 50 performances as Pitti-Sing in *The Mikado* and over 90 as Kate in *The Pirates of Penzance* in NYC and on national tours.



With a Bachelor of Music degree in both Voice Performance and Music Education from Oberlin College Conservatory of Music and a Master of Music degree in Voice Performance from Boston University, Amy Maude Helfer is a talented and dedicated artist who continues to impress audiences with her vocal prowess and versatility.