

# **SUZANNAH CLARKE**

## **SOPRANO**

*Ambassador for Middlesbrough - BA Hons, MA Honorary, PG Dipl*

“WORLD CLASS” .....TONY BLAIR

“ . . The compensation came with Miss Suzannah Clarke’s beautiful rendition of our National Anthem. She looked like a million sovereigns in a dress from the jousting era and sang like an angel..”

Euro 96 Opening Ceremony National Anthem, Wembley Stadium  
Ian Wooldridge, Daily Mail

### **EDUCATION**

<b><u>School/College</u></b>	<b><u>Qualifications Obtained</u></b>	
<i>Stapylton Comprehensive School</i>	<b>8 O Levels</b>	<i>1980-85</i>
<i>South Park Sixth Form College</i>	<b>3 A Levels)</b>	<i>1985-88</i>
<i>University of Teesside</i>	<b>BA (Hons) Business Studies</b>	
	<b>Award: Top Student</b>	<i>1988-92</i>
<i>South Trafford College</i>	<b>GCSE Italian, Grade A (Star)</b>	<i>1993</i>
<i>Istituto Europeo, Florence</i>	<b>Diploma - Italian Language</b>	<i>1994</i>
<i>Royal Northern College of Music</i>	<b>Post Graduate Vocal Diploma</b>	<i>1995</i>
<i>Teesside University</i>	<b>Honorary MA</b>	<i>2003</i>

### **OPERA PERFORMANCES**

<b><i>Cherubino</i></b>	<i>The Marriage of Figaro</i>	<i>Cleveland Opera</i>	<i>1986</i>
<b><i>Papagena</i></b>	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	<i>Cleveland Opera</i>	<i>1987</i>
<b><i>Annina</i></b>	<i>La Traviata</i>	<i>Cleveland Opera</i>	<i>1991</i>
<b><i>Nanetta</i></b>	<i>Falstaff</i>	<i>Opera Nova</i>	<i>1992</i>
<b><i>Belinda</i></b>	<i>Dido and Aeneas</i>	<i>Cleveland Opera</i>	<i>1993</i>
<b><i>Pamina</i></b>	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	<i>Opera Nova</i>	<i>1995</i>
<b><i>Cherubino</i></b>	<i>The Marriage of Figaro</i>	<i>Travelling Opera (Tours)</i>	<i>1995/96</i>
<b><i>Elisetta</i></b>	<i>Il Matrimonio Segreto</i>	<i>Teatro Lirico, Spoleto Italy</i>	<i>1995</i>
<b><i>Zerlina</i></b>	<i>Don Giovanni</i>	<i>Teatro Lirico, Spoleto Italy</i>	<i>1995</i>
<b><i>Micaëla</i></b>	<i>Carmen</i>	<i>Travelling Opera</i>	<i>1996</i>
<b><i>Violetta</i></b>	<i>La Traviata (Cover)</i>	<i>Barbados Opera Festival</i>	<i>1997</i>
<b><i>Clori</i></b>	<i>Gli Equivoci Nel Sembante</i>	<i>Musica Nel Chiostrò, Batignano,</i>	<i>1997</i>
<b><i>Nella</i></b>	<i>Gianni Schicchi</i>	<i>Wexford Festival Opera</i>	<i>1997</i>
<b><i>Lucia</i></b>	<i>Lucia di Lammmoor</i>	<i>European Chamber Opera</i>	<i>1998</i>
<b><i>The Dew Fairy</i></b>	<i>Hansel &amp; Gretel</i>	<i>English National Opera</i>	<i>1998</i>
<b><i>1st Flr Maiden</i></b>	<i>Parsifal</i>	<i>English National Opera</i>	<i>1999</i>

<i>Frasquita</i>	<i>Carmen</i>	<i>English National Opera</i>	1999
<i>2nd Neice</i>	<i>Peter Grimes</i>	<i>English National Opera</i>	1999
<i>Adina</i>	<i>L'Elisir D'Amore</i>	<i>European Chamber Opera</i>	1999
<i>Constance</i>	<i>Dialogues des Carmélites</i>	<i>Welsh National Opera</i>	1999
<i>Pamina</i>	<i>The Magic Flute</i>	<i>English National Opera</i>	2000
<i>1st Neice</i>	<i>Peter Grimes</i>	<i>La Scala, Milan</i>	2000
<i>Fiorilla</i>	<i>Il Turco in Italia (Cover)</i>	<i>English National Opera</i>	2000
<i>Alice Ford</i>	<i>Falstaff (Cover)</i>	<i>English National Opera</i>	2001
<i>Sister Genevieve</i>	<i>Il Trittico</i>	<i>English National Opera</i>	2001
<i>The Cloak</i>	<i>Il Trittico</i>	<i>English National Opera</i>	2001
<i>Mimi</i>	<i>La Boheme (Cover)</i>	<i>Opera North</i>	2001 and 2002
<i>Gilda</i>	<i>Rigoletto (Cover)</i>	<i>Welsh National Opera</i>	2002
<i>Gilda</i>	<i>Rigoletto</i>	<i>Scottish National Opera</i>	2003
<i>Lucia</i>	<i>Lucia di Lammermoor</i>	<i>New Sussex Opera</i>	2003

### **ORATORIO (SOLO PERFORMANCES)**

<i>Christmas Oratorio</i>	<i>Bach</i>	<i>Prestbury Choral Society</i>	1993
<i>Mass in B Minor</i>	<i>Bach</i>	<i>Parbold Festival, Cheshire</i>	1994
<i>Creation</i>	<i>Haydn</i>	<i>Lytham St Anne's Choral Society</i>	1994
<i>Messiah</i>	<i>Handel</i>	<i>BBC Radio 2 Voices for Hospices</i> <i>(Lancashire Chamber Orchestra)</i>	1994
<i>Messiah</i>		<i>West Cumberland Choral Society</i>	1994
<i>Messiah</i>		<i>Lytham St Anne's Choral Society</i>	1994
<i>Messiah</i>		<i>Parbold Choral Society</i>	1994
<i>Ceremony of Carols</i>	<i>Britten</i>	<i>Phoenix Singers, Leek, Staffs</i>	1995
<i>Te Deum</i>	<i>Dvôrak</i> )	<i>Orchestra I Virtuosi Italiani</i>	
<i>Requiem</i>	<i>Fauré</i> )	<i>Cappella Musicale del Duomo di</i>	
<i>Mass in C Major</i>	<i>Mozart</i> )	<i>Modena, Udine Cathedral, Italy</i>	1995
<i>Exsultate, Jubilate</i>	<i>Mozart</i>	<i>Camerata Musicale Pardana</i> <i>Capella Musicale del Duomo di</i> <i>Modena - Carpi Cathedral, Italy</i>	1995
<i>Mass in G</i>	<i>Schubert</i>	<i>Billingham Oratorio Choir</i>	1997
<i>Petite Messe Solenne</i>	<i>Rossini</i>	<i>Bolton Choral Society</i>	1998
<i>Creation</i>	<i>Haydn</i>	<i>Bolton Choral Society</i>	1999
<i>Nelson Mass</i>	<i>Haydn</i>	<i>Bakewell Choral Society</i>	1999
<i>Midnight Mass</i>	<i>Charpentier</i> )	<i>Durham Cathedral</i>	2000
<i>Magnificat</i>	<i>Bach</i> )		
<i>Spirit of England</i>	<i>Elgar</i> )	<i>Bolton Choral Society</i>	2000
<i>Dona Nobis Pace</i>	<i>Vaughan William</i> )		
<i>Requiem</i>	<i>Deruflé</i>	<i>Leicester Philharmonic Choir</i>	2002
<i>Gloria</i>	<i>Poulenc</i>		
<i>Exsultate, Jubilate</i>	<i>Mozart</i>	<i>Orchestra of St Bartholomew</i>	2002
<i>Mozart Requiem</i>	<i>Mozart</i>	<i>Orchestra of St Bartholomew</i>	2003

## **CONCERTS AND RECITAL**

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Concert and recital performances are too numerous to list in detail but have included work in countries such as Hungary, Spain, France, Malta, Italy, Ireland, North Korea, Monte Carlo etc.

Some of the more notable performances have included:

<i>Soloist</i>	<i>Mass, Spoleto Cathedral</i>
<i>Italian Festival Recitals</i>	<i>Italian Consulate (Sung/presented in Italian)</i>
<i>Gala Recital with Orch. Simfònica del Gran Teatre del Liceu</i>	<i>Palau de la Música, Barcelona</i>
<i>Munich Air Disaster Memorial Serv. (Guests incl. Alex Ferguson and the Manchester United team present and past)</i>	<i>Manchester Cathedral</i>
<i>Viennese Gala Concert Series</i>	<i>Northern Sinfonia</i>
<i>Gala Concert</i>	<i>Monte Carlo, Monaco</i>
<i>Recital with James Galway, London Mozart Players</i>	<i>Bridgewater Hall, Manchester</i>
<i>European Union Opera Gala Concert (guests incl. Jacques Chirac and other past and present Heads of State)</i>	<i>Hungarian State Opera House</i>
<i>Voices Series</i>	<i>BBC Radio 3</i>
<i>Baroque Recital</i>	<i>Castle Howard</i>
<i>Gala Concert</i>	<i>Morrison Male Voice Choir Wales</i>
<i>Soloist</i>	<i>Launch, Newcastle/Gateshead Capital of Culture Bid</i>
<i>Classical Recital with Harp</i>	<i>National Portrait Gallery, London</i>
<i>Beethoven 9<sup>th</sup> Symphony</i>	<i>Royal Philharmonic Orchestra</i>
<i>Christmas Gala Concert</i>	<i>Royal Albert Hall</i>

## **SPECIAL PERFORMANCES**

*Soloist - Closing Ceremony, Ayresome Park Stadium  
Middlesbrough Football Club, Televised Performance, 25,000 attendance*

*Soloist - Opening Ceremony, Euro 96, Wembley Stadium  
79,000 attendance - Televised world-wide to 440 million*

*Soloist - Euro 96 Countdown - ITV National TV Broadcast*

*Soloist - Voices for Hospices with BBC Philharmonic Orchestra,  
Conductor, Yan Pascal Tortelier, Bridgewater Hall, Manchester.  
National Televised Broadcast, Songs of Praise*

*Soloist - World Table Tennis Championships Closing Ceremony*  
*Televised Performance from GMEX Centre, Manchester*

*Soloist – England v Albania World Cup Qualifying match, Newcastle*  
*Televised live world-wide*

*Soloist – England v Slovakia World Cup Qualifying match,*  
*Middlesbrough Riverside Stadium. Televised World-wide*

**Labour Party Conference** - sang Red Flag covered by national TV and Press

### **MASTERCLASSES**

*Brigitte Fasbender*  
*Arrigo Pola (Pavarotti's singing teacher)*  
*Mirella Freni*

### **HONORARY APPOINTMENTS**

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