

Swedish tenor Michael Weinius, winner of the Wagner Competition in Seattle in 2008, has established himself as one of Scandinavia's most sought after and praised singers. He was appointed Royal Court Singer in 2013 and received the royal medal Litteris et Artibus in 2022.

His professional debut took place in 1993 as Guglielmo in *Così fan tutte*. Having sung a large number of baritone parts he made his transition to tenor in 2004, debuting as Laca in *Jenufa*.

In addition to regular appearances at the Royal Opera in Stockholm Michael Weinius has performed in many European opera houses such as Opera Bastille in Paris, Bayerische Staatsoper in Munich, Grand Theatre de Geneve, Oper Leipzig, Den Norske Opera in Oslo and Deutsche Oper in Berlin.

In 2018 he made his role debuts as Siegfried in Siegfried and *Götterdämmerung* in Deutsche Oper am Rhein's new production of *Der Ring des Nibelungen*, which would become signature parts in Michael Weinius' repertoire alongside Siegmund, Parsifal, Lohengrin and Tristan.

Other roles to be mentioned are Herod (*Salome*), Bacchus (*Ariadne auf Naxos*), Samson (*Samson et Dalila*), Mao (*Nixon in China*), Don José (*Carmen*) and the title roles in *Peter Grimes* and *Otello*.

After a successful debut at Wiener Staatsoper as Lohengrin Michael Weinius returned in 2022 to sing Siegfried in the Bechtolf-Ring.

Michael Weinius completed the season 21/22 portraying Tristan at Opernhaus Zürich.

Future engagements include Bacchus at the Royal Opera in Stockholm, Herod in Tokyo as well as Tristan in Peter Sellars/Bill Violas celebrated production of *Tristan und Isolde* in Los Angeles under the baton of Gustavo Dudamel.

Michael Weinius also appears regularly on the concert stage, performing in such works as *Gurrelieder* by Schönberg, Beethovens 9th symphony, Mahler's *Das Lied von der Erde* and *The Dream of Gerontius* by Elgar.

He has collaborated with distinguished conductors such as Esa Pekka Salonen, Kent Nagano, Axel Kober, Gianandrea Noseda, Christoph Eschenbach, Marek Janowski, Gustavo Dudamel, Donald Runnicles and Christian Thielemann.

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