

# BRENT D. McLAREN

Dramatic Bass

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## EDUCATION BACKGROUND

B.A., York University B.Mus., Queen's University B.Ed., McArthur College  
M.M., Crane School of Music, State University of New York

## SPECIAL STUDIES

Voice: K. Shelley McLaren, Randall Marsh, Dr. David Holland  
Dance (jazz & tap): Maureen Dowie-Marando, Sarah McLaren  
Numerous Theatre, Technical, Dance & Acting Workshops

## MUSICAL THEATRE & OPERA

GALLANTRY	Bytowne Operaworks	Dr. Gregg
FALSTAFF (Verdi)	Opera Lyra Ottawa	Chorus
ROMEO ET JULIETTE (Gounod)	Opera Lyra Ottawa	Chorus
LES CONTES D'HOFFMANN	Opera Lyra Ottawa	Chorus
FROM VIENNA, WITH LOVE	Opera Lyra Ottawa	Chorus and Soloist
IOLANTHE	Perth Community Choir	Lord Chancellor
JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR	Perth Community Choir	Caiaphas
NUNSENSE	Smiths Falls Community Theatre	Brother Michael
FIDDLER ON THE ROOF	Perth Community Choir (1999)	Tevey
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SIDE BY SIDE BY SONDHEIM	Festival Music Theatre Company	Male Lead
THE FANTASTICKS	Perth Theatre Project	El Gallo
INTO THE WOODS	Company of Music Theatre, Ottawa	Narrator & Mysterious Man
H.M.S. PINAFORE	Perth Community Choir	Captain Corcoran
KISS ME KATE	Perth Community Choir	Fred Graham

in addition to many dinner theatre and minor\chorus roles

## NON-MUSICAL THEATRE

A CHRISTMAS CAROL	Barndoor Productions	Ghost of Christmas Present
LOVERS AND OTHER STRANGERS	Barndoor Productions	Hal
ARSENIC AND OLD LACE	Barndoor Productions	Teddy Brewster
BLACK COMEDY	Fledgling Productions	Mr. Bamberger

## RECENT PRODUCTIONS DIRECTED

NUNSENSE	Smiths Falls Theatre Company
ALL I NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED IN KINDERGARTEN	Smiths Falls Theatre Company
FIDDLER ON THE ROOF	Perth Community Choir
BRIGADOON	Perth Community Choir
THE FANTASTICKS	Perth Theatre Project
OLIVER!	Perth Theatre Project, Glen Productions
A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM	Glen Productions, FMTC
SIDE BY SIDE BY SONDHEIM	Festival Music Theatre Company
HELLO, DOLLY!	Perth Community Choir
MY FAIR LADY	Perth Community Choir
GREASE	P.D.C.I. Drama Club
GODSPELL	Three different productions
SNOOPY!!!	P.D.C.I. Drama Club
YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN	Four different productions

## NOTABLE RECENT PERFORMANCES

**“Hayley Westenra Pops Concert”** Ewashko Singers / NAC Orchestra      Jack Everly, Conductor  
March 2, 3 & 4, 2006

**“Love, Death & Divas”**      Opera Lyra Ottawa Black & White Soiree      Richard Bradshaw, Conductor  
February 18, 2006

**“Dracula”**      Royal Winnipeg Ballet Chorus      Earl Stafford, Conductor  
Mahler Symphony No. 2 in C-minor, Fifth Movement  
January 26-28, 2006

**“A Resounding Chorus”**      Opera Lyra Ottawa Chorus      Laurence Ewashko, Conductor  
November 19 & 20, 2005

**Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony**      NAC Orchestra and Chorus      Pinchas Zukerman, Conductor  
June 16 & 17, 2005

**“From Vienna, With Love”**      NAC Orchestra & Opera Lyra Ottawa Chorus      Jack Everly, Conductor  
Also performed the Bass Soloist role in the “Kismet” medley  
February 19, 2005

**Mozart Mass in C-Minor**      NAC Orchestra and Chorus      Pinchas Zukerman, Conductor  
January 12 & 13, 2005

**Handel’s Messiah**      NAC Orchestra and Chorus      Trevor Pinnock, Conductor  
December 13 & 14, 2004

**NACO Christmas Pops**      NAC Orchestra and Chorus      Frank McNamara, Conductor  
December 17, 2005

## NOTABLE CONDUCTORS PERFORMED UNDER

Richard Bradshaw, Jack Everly, Laurence Ewashko, Frank McNamara, Denise Narcisse-Mair  
Tyrone Paterson, John Washburn, Duain Wolfe, Pinchas Zukerman

## MAJOR CHORAL WORKS IN REPERTOIRE

(in original language plus English translation when appropriate)

Bach: Mass in B-minor, Beethoven: Ninth Symphony, Brahms: Ein deutsches Requiem, Handel: Messiah  
Haydn: Creation, Mozart: Requiem, Mozart: Mass in C-Minor, Orff: “Carmina Burana”, Verdi: Requiem

## RECITALS

Numerous concerts annually with music ranging from opera, oratorio and lieder  
to contemporary songs and Broadway repertoire

## ADDITIONAL

Makeup Coordinator for many theatre groups in addition to instructing **“Makeup For The Theatre”** workshops  
Capable working in most singing and spoken dialects, including French, Italian and German  
Member of **Opera Lyra Ottawa Chorus** (2004- ) and Bass Section Leader (2005- )  
Artistic & Musical Director for **Festival Music Theatre Company** (1992-2002)  
Conductor & Musical Director of the **Kanata Symphony Orchestra** (1981-87)  
Conductor & Musical Director of the **Cornwall Symphony Orchestra** (1978-81)  
Specialist in MIDI (computer music) technology  
Extensive work in theatre sound, computers and lighting design  
Able to play guitar and most percussion, brass and woodwind instruments  
**Euphonium** soloist and member of the **Perth Citizens’ Band**

**Fife** soloist for the **Canadian Association of Drum Rudimental Excellence** (CADRE)  
**Liturgist, Soloist** and **Cantor** working with many churches and church groups  
**Chairman** of the **Parliamentary & Constitutions Council**  
of the **Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation** (2001-2005)  
**President** of the **Ontario Association of Parliamentarians** (2003-2005)  
**Official Town Crier** for **Perth Ontario** (2005- )

#### **REFERENCES**

Available upon request

