## ROB McGINNESS, BARITONE

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As a featured soloist, Rob performed in the Kennedy Center Concert Hall and Carnegie Hall's Stern Auditorium. Other concert credits include *Messiah* with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, *Carmina Burana* with Maryland Symphony Orchestra, Mahler's *Songs of a Wayfarer* and Duruflé Requiem with the Peabody Symphony Orchestra, and Brahms Requiem with The Washington Chorus, for which the *Washington Post* praised his "warm baritone."

Rob's operatic credits include the title roles in *Eugene Onegin* and *Don Giovanni*, as well as Marcello in *La Bohème*. An enthusiast for Russian-language repertoire, Rob has performed leading roles in Rimski-Korsakov's *Tsar's Bride, Mozart and Salieri, Snow Maiden, Sadko*, as well as Tchaikovsky's *Iolanta*. Other well-known roles include Enrico in *Lucia*, Count Almaviva in *Le nozze di Figaro*, and Eisenstein in *Die Fledermaus*, a performance lauded for a "bright baritone and winning jitteriness" by the Cleveland *Plain Dealer*.

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