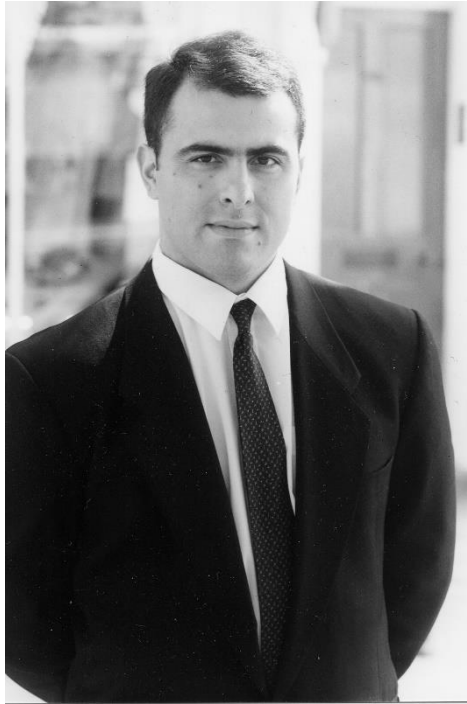


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**Irakli Grigali**

Tenor



Irakli Grigali was born in Tbilisi, Georgia, and started his musical education at the Moscow University. In 1994 he moved to London and continued his studies at the Guildhall School of Music and the Royal College of Music, where he made his degree in 1997. Furthermore, he studied with the legendary Carlo Bergonzi. In 1995 he won the Concurs Internacional de Cant Jaime Aragall in Spain, in 2002 the Concorso Lirico Umberto Giordano in Foggia/ Italy.

Since his stage debut as Turriddu in Mascagni's „Cavalleria rusticana“ at the Holland Park Festival in London Irakli Grigali's focus lies on the outstanding parts of the Italian lirico-spinto repertoire, among his favourite roles are Radamès, Cavaradossi, Canio, Manrico Don José in „Carmen“, Hermann in „Pique Dame“ und Dimitri in „Boris Godunov“.

Guest appearances in opera and concert have taken him to England, Wales, Germany, France, Italy and Spain where he sang at the Welsh National Opera Cardiff, the Tbilisi National Opera, at the Palau de la Musica in Barcelona and at the Buxton Festival.