

ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

David Doidge

Accompanist

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David Doidge is a full-time member of the Music Staff at Welsh National Opera, where he has worked on a variety of productions with internationally acclaimed conductors such as Carlo Rizzi, Lothar Köenigs and Erik Nielson assisting on works by Bellini, Berg, Puccini and Bizet.

He completed his postgraduate studies at the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama specialising as a répétiteur in opera and vocal coaching. His postgraduate studies were supported by prestigious awards from the Arts Council of Wales, the Musicians Benevolent Fund and the Welsh Livery Guild. In 2013 he was nominated and received one of the first of five Prince of Wales Scholarships awarded across the arts in the UK. Recent awards include a Career Development award from the Bryn Terfel Foundation.

Whilst an undergraduate, David won first prize in the RWCMD Annual Concerto Competition performing Shostakovich's 2nd Piano Concerto, which included a performance with the Cardiff Philharmonic Orchestra at the BBC Hoddinott Hall, Wales Millennium Centre and with the RWCMD Symphony Orchestra at St. David's Hall in Cardiff. Other awards include the 2010 Mansel Thomas Memorial Prize for accompanists. During his second year as an undergraduate, David was granted a place on Yehudi Menuhin's Live Music Now scheme and has given numerous performances for the organisation across the UK.

David has made regular guest performances at La Mortella on the Italian island of Ischia at the home of Sir William and Lady Susana Walton. He has performed extensively with the BBC National Orchestra of Wales, Welsh National Opera and Only Men Aloud and has accompanied some of today's finest artists in concert and recital, including Sir Bryn Terfel, Nuccia Focile, Rebecca Evans, Judith Howarth, Barry Banks and Lesley Garrett. Recent highlights include accompanying Bryn Terfel at the Bristol Proms and again in a special televised programme to celebrate the singer's 50th birthday for S4C.

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