

Biography - Philippa Hyde

Philippa Hyde commenced her singing studies with Ann Lampard and continued under the tuition of David Johnston and Yvonne Minton CBE at the Royal Academy of Music. She graduated with the coveted Dip RAM in 1993. In 2001 she was awarded the ARAM , an honour granted to past students of the Academy who have achieved distinction in their profession.

Philippa is an experienced recording artist. In 1995 she became a regular soloist for Hyperion, for whom she created the role of *Semira* in the first performance for nearly 200 years of Arne's *Artaxerxes*, which was also broadcast live on BBC Radio 3.

Her busy and varied concert, operatic and oratorio career has taken her all over Europe and to many of its major concert venues and festivals. She has performed with many of the leading Period orchestras and ensembles and regularly appears at the South Bank and Wigmore Hall as well as in cathedrals throughout the United Kingdom.

Recent engagements include a tour of Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas* to Libya and China with the Academy of Ancient Music and a performance of Handel's *Messiah* in Valetta with the Malta Philharmonic Orchestra. Philippa has just released a CD with the Parley of instruments entitled "*Musical London*". In November 2010 she made a recording of Christopher Gibbons with the Academy of Ancient Music, for Harmonia Mundi.

Since 1991 Philippa has been a member of the chamber group **The Musicke Companye**. She is a member of the BBC Daily Service Singers and regularly performs with the Academy of Ancient Music. She also teaches Period Performance practice at the Royal Northern College of Music and singing at Leeds University and Eltham College, London.

Philippa is married to Richard Tanner, who became Director of Music at the Royal Naval College Chapel, Greenwich in March 2011. They have two sons, James and Ben. In her leisure time, Philippa enjoys reading, walking and travel.

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