

Jochen KUPFER Baritone

Jochen Kupfer was born in Grimma/Saxony and received his musical education at the Musikhochschule in Leipzig completing his studies attending master classes of Aldo Baldin, Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau and Elisabeth Schwarzkopf. He is a prize winner of several prestigious singing competitions. First engagement at the State Theatre **Meiningen**, followed by an engagement as a company member of the **Dresden** State Opera for several seasons. He had the opportunity to add to his repertoire roles like Conte Almaviva, Papageno, Guglielmo.

In order to develop into a more dramatic repertoire, Jochen Kupfer accepted an engagement of the **Nuremberg** State Opera singing there for the times roles like Jochanaan, Faninal, Orest, Beckmesser, Guillaume Tell, Kurwenal and Orest.

Guest contracts brought him to **Berlin** for Don Giovanni, to **Zürich** for Guillaume Tell, to Staatsoper **Berlin** for "Capriccio", to Staatsoper **Munich** as Guglielmo, to **Bremen** for Jochanaan, and to Komische Oper **Berlin** as Don Giovanni. He made his debut in **Strasbourg** as Wolfram in "Tannhäuser", in **Buenos Aires** as Geisterbote in "Frau ohne Schatten" and in **Tokyo** as Wolfram, he sang "War Requiem" in **Mexico**, Kurwenal and Beckmesser in **Nuremberg**, "Messiah" in **Oviedo**, "Carmina Burana" in **St. Petersburg**, "Matthäuspassion" in **Berlin** and **Munich**.

He sang Papageno in **Munich**, "Die Schöpfung" in **Mönchengladbach**, "Carmina Burana" in **Madrid**, Zemlinsky concerts in **Mexico**, 9° Beethoven in **Halle**, Mandryka in **Nuremberg**, "Matthäuspassion" at Festspielhaus **Salzburg** and in **Munich**, Brahms' "Requiem" in **St. Petersburg** and 8° Mahler in **Barcelona**.

He sang "Carmina Burana" in **Madrid**, **Valencia**, **Munich** and **Dortmund**, "Ein deutsches Requiem" in **Rotterdam**, 9° Beethoven in **Nuremberg** and **Madrid**, "Moses" in **Cologne**, "Creation" in **Las Palmas**, "Trauer Kantate" in **Stuttgart** and **Bremen**, a Schumann concert in **Budapest**, "Des Knaben Wunderhorn" in **Regensburg**, Kurwenal in **Ferrera** and **Modena**, "Elias" in **Las Palmas**, "Missa Solemnis" in **Dresden**, Peter, Kurwenal, Germont, Gunther, Escamillo and Figaro Count in **Nuremberg**.

Recent and future engagements through the 2025/26 season include Peter in "Hänsel und Gretel" in **Hamburg**, "Matthäuspassion" in **Munich**, concerts in **Stuttgart**, **Hilversum**, **China**, **Korea** and **Halle**, Four Villains in "Hoffmann's Tales" in **Vienna**, Beckmesser in **Glyndebourne** and **Beijing**, Kurwenal and Pizarro in **Graz**, "L'Anima del filosofo" at Festival **Göttingen**, Falke in **Rome**, "Carmina Burana" in **Indianapolis** and **Cologne**, "Paulus", "Johannes Passion" and "Ein Deutsches Requiem" in **Leipzig** and **Schwerin**, Rückert Lieder in **Antwerp**, "Christmas Oratorio" in **Dresden**, Beckmesser in **Beijing**, Kurwenal in **Montpellier**, 9° Beethoven in **Vichy**, **Hamburg**, **Madrid**, **Bilbao**, **Luxemburg**, **Milan** and **München**, Escamillo in **Dresden**, "Missa Solemnis" in **Cordoba**, "Elias" and "Paulus" in **Budapest**, "Timon of Athens" and "Teufel von Loudon" at Staatsoper **München**, Nelson Mass at Elbphilharmonie **Hamburg**, Jochanaan in **Innsbruck**, Beckmesser in **Beijing**, 8° Mahler in **Milano**, Heerrufer in **Shanghai** and Peter, Gunther, Wozzeck, Faninal, Escamillo, Chörebe in "Troyens", "Dämon", "Bluebeards Castle" Amfortas and Holländer in **Nuremberg**.

Jochen Kupfer develops also an impressive concert career as a Lied recitalist and as a soloist of the leading symphony orchestras with appearances all over Europe, in Japan, Brazil, Hong Kong and in the USA (**New York**, **Los Angeles** and **San Francisco**). He has worked with important conductors including *Giuseppe Sinopoli*, *Kurt Masur*, *Riccardo Chailly*, *Raphael Frühbeck de Burgos*, *René Jacobs*, *Philippe Herreweghe*, *Jeffrey Tate*, *Enoch zu Guttenberg*, *Christoph Prick*, *Kent Nagano*, *Fabio Luisi*, *Yuri Temirkanov*, *Paavo Järvi* und *Herbert Blomstedt*.