

NordOpera network & & Joint Study Program in OPERA COACHING

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Nordopera network

Starting from 2019-2020, Nordopera network is coordinated by Sibelius Academy.

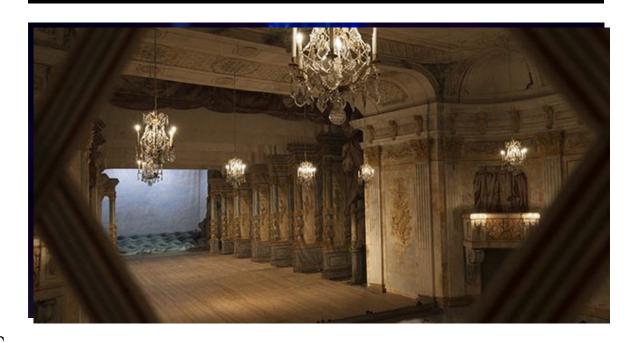
In 2019-2020, Nordplus funding available for:

- **Mobility 25.000 €**
- Intensive Course *Bel Canto* (in Vilnius) 46.110 €
- Joint Study Program *Opera Coaching* 46.600 €

In addition:

Real-Life Auditions for singers

- agents and opera house representatives invited
- 31st October in Helsinki



Development of Joint Study Program in Opera Coaching: Planning year 2018-2019

Three institutions:

- Operahögskolan in Stockholm
- NMH in Oslo
- Sibelius Academy in Helsinki
- Opera coaching/Collaborative piano is marginal as a subject area, but the profession requires command of large repertoire and versatile skills, such as score playing and reproducing orchestral texture on piano.
- There is a need to join forces in order to plan education & student recruitment together.
- Despite of some administrational challengies, there is a common aim and will to continue planning and piloting course modules, which can later form a joint study program. Decisions on actual JSP not made yet.



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JSP Opera Coaching Course module pilots in 2019-2020

- 1. Italian Opera (Oslo, Oct 2019)
- 2. Music Drama Recitativ (Stockholm, Nov 19)
- 3. Conducting from Piano (Helsinki, Feb 2020)
- 4. Meistersinger Production (Oslo opera, March-April 2020)

Dissemination seminar will take place, hopefully in connection with the Nordopera Intensive Course of Bel Canto in Vilnius (Sept 2020)



JSP Opera Coaching Possible future modules

- Forum, Critical response process
- Piano master class
- Course of recits and drama together with singers and director
- Coaching master class
- Repertoire (certain language & style)
- Conducting
- Special repertoire (together with other programs, such as modern opera etc.)
- Professional integration: Job audition, Meeting professionals
- Producation skills; schedules and time planning





Thank you

