

TONY BAKER BASS BARITONE

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"For me, though, the show was nearly stolen by Tony Baker's hilariously funny Judge. ...With a real flair for comic singing he was a joy to watch". (Paul Austin Kelly for Sussex Express on "Trial by Jury" New Sussex Opera 2013)

"Tony Baker's Bonze was powerful and patriarchal" (Mark Aspen, 2016)

Background

Tony originally trained as a set and costume designer, at the Central School of Art and Design, London (1986-9) In 2013 he was persuaded to perform the role of Judge in "Trial by Jury" in a production he was also directing for New Sussex Opera, and followed this with his debut as the Sacristan (and Director) in "Tosca" for Opera Brava in 2014/15. In 2016 he decided to concentrate more on singing full time and performed 8 new major roles during the course of the year. He has studied singing privately with baritone Grant Doyle for the last four years. He lives in South East London.

List of Roles Performed

Role	Opera	Composer	Company	Date
Judge	Trial by Jury	Sullivan	New Sussex Opera	2013
Sacristan	Tosca	Puccini	Opera Brava	2014/15
Falstaff	Merry Wives	Nicolai	Brent Opera	2015
Bartolo/Antonio	Nozze	Mozart	Dulwich Opera	2016
Lionel King	Dress Rehearsal**	A Evans	Sarastro Productions	2016
Sergeant	Pirates	Sullivan	Ormond Opera	2016
Don Alfonso*	Così fan tutte	Mozart	Dulwich Opera	2016
Snug	Dream	Britten	Surrey Opera	2016
Sergeant Sulpice	Fille du Regiment	Donizetti	Aylesbury Opera	2016
Bonze	Butterfly	Puccini	Ormond Opera	2016

** Musical play with excerpts from Sullivan, Bizet, Verdi.

* Role covered