

## Curriculum Vitae —

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soprano

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**Personal Background**

Born and raised in Seoul, Republic of Korea, Risun Funahashi (born Risun Choi) began her love of music with singing and playing the piano. She attended Sangmyung Women's University (now Sangmyung University) in Seoul where she graduated with a degree in Bachelor of Music, Major in Vocal Music. Aside from her university life, Risun joined the choir group at a local Christian church in which she sang and played the piano for the gospel music. She moved to Japan in 1998 and, while actively involving in singing activities in the church choir, studied the basic computer music at HAL Computer School where she completed the two-year course in 2003. In 2008, Risun continued further pursuing her musical passion and earned her Master of Music degree in Vocal Performance at the Nagoya University of Arts in 2009. She naturalized to Japan in March 2021.

Risun currently resides in Nagoya, Japan with her husband, Hiromitsu (Hiro) and their son, Tatsuki and daughter, Aya.

**Opera Roles**

Role	Opera	Company	Year
Elvira	<i>Ermani</i>   Verdi	Euro Lirica	2019
Adriana Lecouvreur	<i>Adriana Lecouvreur</i>   Cilea	Euro Lirica	2017
Lady Macbeth	<i>Macbeth</i>   Verdi	Euro Lirica	2016
Thaïs	<i>Thaïs</i>   Massenet	Euro Lirica	2015
Maddalena di Coigny	<i>Andrea Chénier</i>   Giordano	Euro Lirica	2014
Aida	<i>Aida</i>   Verdi	Euro Lirica	2012
Marcellina	<i>Le nozze di Figaro</i>   Mozart	The Nagoya Nikiikai Opera Foundation	2012
Aida (cover)	<i>Aida</i>   Verdi	Yokkaichi Culture and Community Development Foundation	2010
Tosca	<i>Tosca</i>   Puccini	Nagoya University of the Arts, Graduate School	2010
Donna Anna	<i>Don Giovanni</i>   Mozart	Nagoya University of the Arts, Graduate School	2010
Vitellia	<i>La clemenza di Tito</i>   Mozart	Kodachi	2010
Fairy (chorus)	<i>A Midsummer Night's Dream</i>   Britten	The Nagoya Nikiikai Opera Foundation	2009

**Concert and Oratorio Platform**

Role		Company	Location	Year
guest soprano	Joint concert with a Japanese tenor, <i>to be named</i> *	Eishoji Temple	Kohnan, Aichi prefecture	TBD (2023)
soprano	Bastille Day joint concert with French artists *	Maire & Funahashi Promotions	France	TBD (2022)
guest soprano	Joint Concert with Mongolian-Chinese tenor, Bao Jinzhong *	Fuso-cho Municipality, Fuso-cho Board of Education	Fuso, Aichi prefecture	Oct-2021*
soprano	Risun Funahashi Soprano Concert	The Munetsugu Hall	Nagoya	2021
soprano	The Winter Concert	The Fujiwara Opera	Tokyo	2020
soprano	Amici del Canto Concert, soprano	Amici Canto	Nagoya	2019
soprano soloist	Easter Mass Concert at the Korean Church Nagoya,	the Korean Christian Church in Japan, Nagoya Church	Nagoya	2019
soprano	Gala Concert commemorating the launch of Tokai Division of the Fujiwara Opera – the Japan Opera Foundation	the Fujiwara Opera	Nagoya	2019
soprano	“Hisaya Gurutto Art” cultural event opening concert	Hisaya Gurutto	Nagoya	2018
soprano	“Korean Cultural Festival”: the Commemoration concert for the foundation the Nagoya Korean School	Nagoya International Center	Nagoya	2018
soprano	“YOSEKON” Culture Concert	5/R Hall & Gallery	Nagoya	2018
soprano	Concerto Finale	Concerto Lirico	Duomo di Bracciano, Italy	2017
soprano	Amici del Canto Concert	Amici Canto	Nagoya	2017
soprano	“ <i>Nippon no Daiku</i> (Symphony No.9 – the Japanese Version)” concert,	Toin-cho Municipality and Toin-cho Board of Education	Toin, Mie prefecture	2016
soprano	Debut Concert	the Fujiwara Opera	Tokyo	2016
soprano	The Fresh Concert	the Nagoya Nikikai Opera Foundation	Nagoya	2015
soprano	Amici del Canto Concert	Amici Canto	Nagoya	2015
soprano	Joint Soprano Concert	joint concert	Nagoya	2015
soprano	New Year Opera Concert	the Nagoya Nikikai Opera Foundation	Nagoya	2015
soprano	Tohoku Earthquake Charity Concert	the Nagoya Nikikai Opera Foundation	Nagoya	2014
soprano	“Korean Cultural Festival”: the Commemoration concert for the foundation the Nagoya Korean School	the Korean Center	Nagoya	2013
soprano	Amici del Canto	Amici Canto	Nagoya	2013
soprano	The Japan-Korea Young Christian Exchange Program	Hanshin Church	Seoul, Korea	2013
soprano	New Year Opera Concert	the Nagoya Nikikai Opera Foundation	Nagoya	2013
soprano	Opera Gala Concert	the Opera Center at Nagoya University of the Arts	Nagoya	2012
soprano	New Year Opera Concert	the Nagoya Nikikai Opera Foundation	Nagoya	2012
soprano	New Year Opera Concert	the Nagoya Nikikai Opera Foundation	Nagoya	2011
soprano	Summer Gala Concert	the Nagoya Nikikai Opera Foundation	Nagoya	2010

\* Upcoming

**Solo Recitals**

The Munetsugu Hall, Nagoya	May 2021
The Studio Haru, Nagoya	November 2019
“The First Album Recital”, Nagoya	October 2019
Eisho-ji Temple “ <i>Kura</i> ” Hall, Kohnan	October 2019
<i>Hyakka-Hyakuso</i> Concert Hall, Nagoya	March 2019
Choi Risun Soprano Recital – sponsored by the Nagoya City Cultural Festival, the Concert Hall, Nagoya	October 2018
Eisho-ji Temple “ <i>Kura</i> ” Hall, Kohnan	September 2017

## Risun Funahashi, Soprano - Curriculum Vitae

The Lunch Time Concert, the Munetsugu Hall, Nagoya	October 2016
The Retirement House, "Shinmei", Nagoya	April 2016
The Midland Square Atrium Hall, Nagoya	April 2016
The Midland Square Lobby Hall, Nagoya	July 2015
The <i>Fureai</i> (local community bonding) Concert, the Patio Chiryu Hall, Chiryu	May 2015
Okanoue Kani Church (a Japan Free Evangelical church), Kani, Gifu prefecture	April 2015
The Retirement House, "Shinmei", Nagoya	December 2013
The <i>Mindan</i> Hall, Ichinomiya	December 2013
Eisho-ji Temple Main Hall, Kohnan	May 2013
"The Vernal Music Festival - the Chita Peninsula", the MTC Hall, Tokai	March 2013
The Yamanote Music Festival, Chikusa-ku Nagoya	April 2012
Eisho-ji Temple Main Hall, Kohnan	October 2011
Le Mani Hall, Togo, Japan	July 2011
The MTC Hall, Tokai, Japan	May 2011
Soprano Recital, the Munetsugu Hall, Nagoya Japan	April 2011

### Orchestral experience

Conducted the church choir group, "Hallelujah" at the Korean Christian Church in Japan, Nagoya Church Won the best church choir group award in the Central Japan region in 2006	2006-2011
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### Masterclasses

With Barbara Frittoli, Tokyo Japan	July 2017
"L'Arte del Belcanto" with Mariella Devia, Bracciano, Italy	August 2017
Participated in the Spring International Vocalization Academy with Guy Montavon (CH) (das Theater Erfurt)	March 2011
Participated in the Internationale Sommerakademie Mozarteum Salzburg with Prof. Gertruda M. Trojanova (RU)	July-August 1994

### Professional Organizations

The Nagoya Nikikai Opera Foundation Full membership	2010-2016
The Fujiwara Opera Company - the Japan Opera Foundation Full membership	2016-present

### Education

Nagoya University of Arts, Graduate School of Music, Master of Arts - Vocal Performance	2009
HAL Nagoya College of Technology & Design, Audio-Visual Postproduction Engineer, introductory level, Nagoya Japan	2002
Sangmyung Women's University, Bachelor of Music - Vocal Music, Seoul, Korea	1995

**Languages**

Korean (Native)

Japanese (Native)

Italian (Basic conversational level)

German, French, and English (diction only)