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### **Monica Yunus, Soprano**

Internationally renowned soprano Monica Yunus has performed on the world's leading stages. She is acclaimed for her sterling artistry as well as for her leading role as a social entrepreneur and advocate for arts and culture.

Known for her “commanding and alluring soprano” (Opera News) and “glorious” interpretive gifts (Daily Camera), Monica has appeared as a principal artist with The Metropolitan Opera for over a decade – the first leading artist from her native Bangladesh to do so. Her Metropolitan Opera productions include L’Elisir d’Amore, Die Zauberflöte, Manon, Don Giovanni, and The Marriage of Figaro, in which she made her debut. Her performances have been enjoyed by millions in the Live From The Met recordings and videos in productions including La Rondine, Le Comte Ory, and The Enchanted Island.

In a career that spans over 20 years, she has performed across the globe in concert and operatic appearances in the United States, Europe, Asia and the Middle East, collaborating with stars including Jon Batiste, Andrea Bocelli, Joseph Calleja, José Carerras, Joyce DiDonato, Jamie Barton, Plácido Domingo, and Bryn Terfel.

A graduate of The Juilliard School, Ms. Yunus is the Co-Founder of *Sing for Hope*, a leading “arts peace corps” that creates programs such as the Sing for Hope Pianos in public spaces from the Bronx to Beirut that promote the mission of art for all. She has presented and performed at The United Nations, the US Capitol, Aspen Ideas Festival, Oxford University, and the Skoll World Forum for Social Entrepreneurship. She has been honored as a Kennedy Center Citizen Artist Award and a Young Global Leader of the World Economic Forum. An Artist Lecturer at Carnegie Mellon University, Ms. Yunus is a frequent speaker on arts advocacy and the burgeoning field of arts in health.

She is proud to be the Artist in Residence at The Wallis Center for Performing Arts for the 2022-2023 season.