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SINGING COMPETITION

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# Competition Final 2022

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*Friends of the Vocal Arts present the*

# 10th Veronica Dunne International Singing Competition 2022

Welcome to the Competition Final, where our six finalists will perform with the National Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Laurent Wagner.

### OUR 2022 FINALISTS

**Grisha Martirosyan**

BARITONE | 24, ARMENIAN

**Zuzanna Nalewajek**

MEZZO-SOPRANO | 24, POLISH

**Aaron Godfrey-Mayes**

TENOR | 27, BRITISH

### INTERVAL

**Aebh Kelly**

MEZZO-SOPRANO | 25, IRISH

**Laura Lolita Perešivana**

SOPRANO | 27, LATVIAN

**Changdai Park**

BASS-BARITONE | 29, SOUTH KOREAN

### 2022 JURY

**Jane Carty**

Competition Chair

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Conductor

**Tara Erraught**

Mezzo-Soprano

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### ORCHESTRA

**National Symphony Orchestra**

**Laurent Wagner**

Conductor

**RTÉ lyric fm**

Listen in to the Competition Final:

**RTÉ lyric Live: Veronica Dunne International Singing Competition Final**

Presented by Liz Nolan, RTÉ lyric fm on Tuesday 30th August from 7pm



# Our 2022 Finalists

We're proud to introduce our Finalists for the  
10th Veronica Dunne International Singing Competition.



## Grisha Martirosyan

**BARITONE**  
24, ARMENIAN

Si puo – *I Pagliacci* – Leoncavallo  
Avant de quitter ces lieux – *Faust*  
– Gounod  
Vision fugitive – *Herodiade* –  
Massenet



## Zuzanna Nalewajek

**MEZZO-SOPRANO**  
24, POLISH

Voi che sapete – *Le Nozze di Figaro*  
– Mozart  
Wie Du warst! Wie Du bist! –  
*Der Rosenkavalier* – Richard Strauss  
Una voce poco fa – *Il Barbiere*  
*di Siviglia* – Rossini



## Aaron Godfrey-Mayes

**TENOR**  
27, BRITISH

Dies Bildnis ist bezaubern'd schön  
– *Die Zauberflöte* – Mozart  
Una furtiva lagrima – *L'Elisir d'Amore*  
– Donizetti  
Ah! mes amis – *La fille du régiment*  
– Donizetti



## Aebh Kelly

**MEZZO-SOPRANO**  
25, IRISH

Una voce poco fa – *Il Barbiere*  
*di Siviglia* – Rossini  
Que fais-tu, blanche touterelle  
– *Roméo et Juliette* – Gounod  
Ah scostati... Smanie implacabili  
– *Così fan tutte* – Mozart



## Laura Lolita Perešivana

**SOPRANO**  
27, LATVIAN

Wenn Sich Die Menschen – *Lulu*  
– Berg  
Porgi amor – *Le Nozze di Figaro*  
– Mozart  
Ah donato il caro sposa – *Il signor*  
*Bruschino* – Rossini



## Changdai Park

**BASS-BARITONE**  
29, SOUTH KOREAN

Se vuol ballare – *Le Nozze di Figaro*  
– Mozart  
Was duftet doch der Flieder –  
*Die Meistersinger von Nurnberg*  
– Wagner  
La calunnia – *Il Barbiere di Siviglia*  
– Rossini

# Notes:

## Vote for the Audience Prize winner

The Audience Prize winner will be awarded €1,000.

Vote for your favourite performer of the evening using  
the score slip opposite. Carefully rip out the score slip and  
hand the slip to a NCH usher.

Tick the box of your favourite  
performer of the evening:

- ☐ Grisha Martirosyan
- ☐ Zuzanna Nalewajek
- ☐ Aaron Godfrey-Mayes
- ☐ Aebh Kelly
- ☐ Laura Lolita Perešivana
- ☐ Changdai Park



# Competition prizes

Our international singing competition offers substantial prizes for our Finalists and Semi Finalists.

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> | 1ST PRIZE<br>€10,000<br>Sponsored by<br>Hinch Distillery Company                     | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 2ND PRIZE<br>€5,000<br>Private Donor   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 3RD PRIZE<br>€4,000<br>Sponsored by<br>Deirdre Lyons, Alltech  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | 4TH PRIZE<br>€3,000<br>Donated by Mags &<br>Liam Gilligan in memory<br>of James Rice | 5 <sup>th</sup> | 5TH PRIZE<br>€2,000<br>Donated by Martin<br>Coonan and Friends<br>& Supporters of the<br>Competition | 6 <sup>th</sup> | 6TH PRIZE<br>€1,000<br>Donated by the Johnston<br>Family, Dallas, Texas, in<br>memory of their mother<br>Patricia (Kitty) Johnston |

## Extra prizes

Competitors are awarded with a selection of extra prizes from our individual supporters.

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| €1,000<br>WIL KEUNE PRIZE<br>Presented by his wife, Jane Carty, for<br>the best performance of a Mozart aria<br>in any round of the Competition.                   |
| €1,000<br>AUDIENCE PRIZE<br>For the performance in the Final that<br>the audience vote for as their favourite!   |
| €500<br>ORATORIO PRIZE<br>In memory of William Young, for the<br>best performance of an oratorio aria in<br>the semifinal, presented by his wife,<br>Alison Young. |

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| €500<br>DUBLIN SONG SERIES PRIZE<br>For the best performance of a song<br>in any language in the semifinal. The<br>winner is also offered a recital in the<br>Dublin Song Series 2023/24. |
| €500<br>DERMOT TROY PRIZE<br>For the singer with the most potential<br>aged 25 and under, donated by the<br>Gaughan family.   |
| €500<br>JOAN SUTHERLAND PRIZE<br>For the highest placed Irish singer,<br>donated by the Gaughan family.   |
| €500<br>SEMIFINALISTS PRIZES<br>Each of our semifinalists not to reach<br>the Final will receive €500 each.   |

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