

# Celebrity of the Day



An Australian-born American soprano of Dutch and Sri Lankan heritage, the exotically beautiful **DE NIESE** has been captivating audiences since childhood, when she was a fixture of LA local television hosting a weekly arts showcase for teenagers, for which she won an Emmy Award. **DE NIESE** was just 18 when she was accepted as the youngest artist ever into the Lindemann Young Artist Development Program of the Metropolitan Opera. She made her Met debut as Barbarina in "Le Nozze di Figaro," alongside **RENEE FLEMING**, **BRYN TERFEL**, and **CECILIA BARTOLI** and led by **JAMES LEVINE**. On September 22nd of this year, **DE NIESE** returns to the Met to perform the leading role of Susanna in the same **JONATHAN MILLER** production of "Le Nozze di Figaro" in which she made her debut over a decade ago.

From the age of 19, when **DANIELLE DE NIESE** made that auspicious Metropolitan Opera debut it was clear that she was destined to be a major Mozart singer, given her extraordinary ability to communicate emotion through her beautiful crystalline voice, personal charisma, star quality and the irresistible force of her personality. So Mozart is a natural next step for **DE NIESE** in her recording career following up on her chart-topping debut album of Handel arias released in 2007.

On September 8th, 2009, Decca released "The Mozart Album," the hotly anticipated second solo recording from soprano **DANIELLE DE NIESE**. To celebrate the release, **DANIELLE** will be making a special appearance in NYC where she is in town to perform at the Metropolitan Opera in Mozart's "Le Nozze di Figaro" from September 22nd-October 9th.

On *September 10th*, Van Cleef & Arpels will welcome **DANIELLE DE NIESE** to perform in their showroom as part of Vogue magazine's *Fashion's Night Out*, a global celebration of fashion with special events happening at designer showrooms throughout the city.

In addition to her engagement with the Metropolitan Opera, the 2009-10 season sees **DANIELLE** performing as Susanna in "Le Nozze di Figaro" with Lyric Opera of Chicago. She also sings the title roles in both "L'incoronazione di Poppea" with the Teatro Real and "Semele" with Théâtre des Champs Élysées. Additionally, **DE NIESE** will tour Europe with the period instrument group Il giardino armonico with an all Handel program with performances in Amsterdam, Vienna, Berlin and Madrid..

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