



FIONA MCDUGAL
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Elevating voices across stage and screen



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Fiona has worked with some of the biggest names in the entertainment industry, from Glenn Close to Taylor Swift, Judi Dench to Jennifer Hudson – but her busy studio also embraces people who sing for pleasure and want to improve their voice. Her

clients include beginners, aspiring singers and performing arts students as well as top-tier professionals. Passionate about vocal health and technique, Fiona believes that anyone can sing and tailors each lesson to the client's needs. She works remotely via Skype and in person from her studio at the London Palladium.

Fiona grew up on a farm outside Edinburgh where she immersed herself in music from a young age, initially training in dance. In 2006, she left Scotland to study Music at the Paul McCartney Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts, where her vocal coach inspired her to study voice education alongside her degree. When she graduated with a first class honours degree in 2010, she already had three years of coaching experience. She was the lead singer in a pop duo called Untouched (along with songwriting partner David Wilson), which later signed with Island Records and toured the UK.

Based in London, Fiona continued to coach singers and, in 2010, started working for Andrew Lloyd Webber and his production company, the Really Useful Group. She worked on her first major international production in 2012, as the vocal coach on Lloyd Webber's Jesus Christ Superstar, and has since worked on dozens of major shows across television, film and theatre around the world.

Fiona is always at the leading edge of vocal education. She travels globally to conferences that are advancing the field of vocal science and is supported by a network of exceptional ENT doctors, speech and language therapists, and physiotherapists. She is considered a valuable link between singers and industry representatives and consults for record labels, agents, managers, performing arts colleges, choreographers, directors, songwriters, film studios, musicians and producers.

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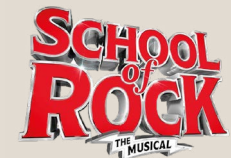
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COMPLETE CREDENTIALS

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SHOWS

Fiona's work can be seen across stage and screen. She's worked on a vast array of productions - from Andrew Lloyd Webber's School of Rock to The Voice. Whatever the challenge, her only ambition is to discover every singer's potential.



CV

EDUCATION

First Class Honour Degree

Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts 2007–2010

Diploma in Performing Arts Song

Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts 2006–2007

CREDITS

Vocal Coach for Andrew Lloyd Webber's Really Useful Group

The Really Useful Group is an established international entertainment company based in London that produce and coordinate Andrew Lloyd Webber's works throughout the world

FILM

CATS Movie (Universal) Film 2018/2019
Jingle Jangle (Netflix) Film 2019/2020
Pinocchio (Netflix) Film 2019/2020
Being the Ricardos (Amazon) Film 2021

THEATRE

& Juliet 2019/2020
Cinderella 2020
School of Rock (Original Broadway, West End, Tour) 2015–2020
Waitress 2019
Beautiful The Carol King Musical 2019
Magic Mike 2019
Bat Out of Hell 2017–2018
Joseph Palladium 2019
42nd Street 2017–2018
Chess ENO 2018
Sunset Boulevard ENO Glen Close 2015
Starlight Express 2017–2020
CATS (Broadway, West End, World Tour)
Hairspray 2018
Evita 2018–2020
Phantom of the Opera (Broadway, West End, World Tour) 2014–2020
Love Never Dies 2015–2020
Stephen Ward 2013
Jesus Christ Superstar (Arena Tour, US tour, Regents Park) 2012–2020

TV

Little Mix The Search 2019–2020
Superstar (ITV) 2012
The Voice (BBC) 2013–2016
The X Factor (ITV) 2016–2018

TESTIMONIALS

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I worked with Fiona on CATS and she was such a fantastic vocal coach! In rehearsals and on set, she was not only amazingly helpful but so much fun as well... I really appreciate all her work and support.

REBEL WILSON

Singing is where people often feel exposed but Fiona has a very natural way of bring the best out of them in a unique and joyful way.

ROB RINDER

Even after nearly 20 years in the business, Fiona Grace taught me new techniques that have made me stronger and have bettered my ability as a singer and performer. I have found her training invaluable and something I really couldn't have done without.

BEN FORSTER

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ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER

Fiona is one of the leaders in her field. I was cast in a leading role in a major musical and was extremely anxious about the vocal requirements as I hadn't much singing experience professionally. She created a safe and creative space in which she helped develop the skills and vocal dexterity needed for the role. She took away tension and anxiety and I was able to take on the role head on, knowing I had Fiona in my corner. She was always on hand for advice and I truly couldn't have got through the run without her.

DAVID FYNN

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THE FIONA EFFECT

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FIONA'S APPROACH

Fiona's approach combines science and experience with what her clients call "the Fiona effect" – her unique ability to give every singer, no matter their level, the confidence and tenacity to excel.

Her warmth and energy transcend the bounds of individual lessons to unite both cast and crew, which is why Fiona is so sought-after on set.

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HOW FIONA WORKS

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THE FIONA EFFECT

AUDITION PANELS



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TRAINING PROGRAMMES



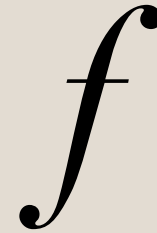
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ON-SET SUPPORT



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“Getting singers to step out of their comfort zones is where the magic happens”

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CONTACT

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