



Nico Franchini

Tenor

 $Nico\ Franchini, tenor, was\ born\ in\ Putignano\ in\ 1992\ and\ currently\ resides\ in\ Rutigliano, in\ the\ province\ of\ Bari\ (Italy).$

He began his vocal studies under the guidance of soprano Francesca Ruospo.

He has taken part in numerous masterclasses with internationally renowned artists, including Vincenzo Scalera, Stefania Bonfadelli, Elizabeth Norberg-Schulz, Vittorio Terranova, Chris Merritt, Roberto Servile, Alfonso Antoniozzi, Roberto De Candia, Silvia Dalla Benetta, and Francesco Meli.

He was selected to attend the first **Advanced Training Academy of the Teatro Carlo Felice** in Genoa, and **since 2022**, he has been continuing his vocal refinement **under Maestro Salvatore Cordella**.

As a **soloist**, he has performed in numerous **concerts both in Italy and abroad**, including the **Concert Lyrique à Rixensart** in Brussels; a **Lyrical Concert** at the **Teatro Garibaldi** in Bisceglie with the **Ukrainian National Symphony Orchestra of Kyiv**; and a **Mozart Tribute Concert** for the *Biennale delle Memorie*, organized in collaboration with the *Treccani Institute* and **conducted by Ettore Papadia**.

Among his operatic roles, he has performed Rodolfo (*La Bohème*) in concert form conducted by Donato Renzetti; Conte Ivrea (*Un giorno di regno*) under Sesto Quatrini; Cornelia (*a travesti role in Il trionfo dell'onore*) at the Festival della Valle d'Itria in Martina Franca; Don Luigino (*Il viaggio a Reims*) under Michele Spotti in the Lombardy circuit; and the Poet Abbot (*Andrea Chénier*) under Michele Gamba at the Teatro Petruzzelli in Bari.

He has also sung **Conte d'Almaviva** (*Il barbiere di Siviglia*) at the **Teatro Mercadante** in Altamura (BA); **the Fisherman** (*Guillaume Tell*) in the Lombardy circuit; **Poisson** (*Adriana Lecouvreur*) at the **Fondazione Teatro Petruzzelli** in Bari; and **the Turkish Envoy** (*Der Bürger als Edelmann by R. Strauss*) conducted by **Michele Spotti** during the **46th Festival della Valle d'Itria**.

He has portrayed **Nemorino** (*L'elisir d'amore*) at the **Fondazione Teatro Petruzzelli** in Bari, the **Teatro Carlo Felice** in Genoa, the **Royal Opera House** in Muscat, the **Teatro Sociale** in Como, and the **Teatro Lirico** in Cagliari. At the **Teatro Carlo Felice**, he also performed the roles of **Beppe/Arlecchino** in Pagliacci by Leoncavallo.

He sang Rodolfo (La Bohème) at the Tirana National Theatre of Opera and Ballet, and Alfredo Germont (La Traviata) at the Teatro Unione in Viterbo.

He performed alongside **Leo Nucci** under the baton of **Donato Renzetti** in a concert dedicated to Giusy Devinu, and gave a concert at the **Teatro Filarmonico** in Verona.

Franchini was a finalist and winner of the "L'Opera" magazine award at the International Singing Competition "G. Devinu" held at the Teatro Lirico di Cagliari.

He was also a winner (idoneo) of the 69th AsLiCo Competition (2018) and winner of the 70th AsLiCo Competition (2019).

He received second prize at the Tommaso Traetta International Opera Competition (2023), first prize at the Tito Schipa International Opera Competition (2023), and first prize at the 12th Fausto Ricci Competition (2024).







