

# American Institute of Musical Studies Summer Programs in Austria for Voice, Piano, & Orchestra

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# Dear friends,

I first came to AIMS as a participant more than 30 years ago. Since that first magical experience, and now as the company's general director, I have seen the incredible impact AIMS has had on the lives and careers of thousands of singers - my own included. Here's what I can tell you about what AIMS is, and what I think it can do for you.

#### AIMS can be a life changer.

I've lost count of the number of participants who've told me that their time at AIMS changed their lives – musically and personally. The combination of intensive study, wonderful colleagues and the adventure of living and traveling in Europe is something that will shape your life for the better.

#### It's personal and intimate.

In your six weeks here, you'll spend your days in individual lessons and coachings, as well as small classes and rehearsals. You'll make incredible professional contacts. And you'll make friends you will cherish the rest of your life.

#### It's intensive education.

AIMS is a six-week program with incredible one-on-one instruction from an absolutely fabulous faculty from professional opera houses and opera training programs throughout Europe and America. This kind of concentrated education – without the distractions of a typical academic environment – enables participants to make dramatic progress in their skill and technique. It's about working harder than you've ever worked, and learning more in six weeks than you'll learn in a year elsewhere.

Sarah Halley AIMS General Director

## It's living in Europe....

In Graz, to be exact – one of the most beautiful small cities in all of Europe. AIMS is about having a summer home in this beautiful region of Austria, with weekend trips to Venice or Vienna, Budapest or Salzburg!

# ...and contemplating a career here.

Many of our participants use AIMS as their starting point for a career in the German-speaking music world.

### Finally, it's about you.

It's a summer dedicated to finding yourself and your talent, and making that commitment to becoming a professional musician.

I look forward to seeing you in Graz!

Sincerely,

Sarah Halley General Director