

Gan-ya Ben-gur Akselrod, Soprano

Gan-ya Ben-gur Akselrod began her musical education playing the cello, piano, and clarinet before pursuing a career as an opera singer. She has performed with leading opera companies, including Theater an der Wien, Deutsche Oper Berlin, Komische Oper Berlin, Volksoper Wien, Staatsoper Stuttgart, Théâtre du Capitole, Teatro Real, Theater Freiburg, Staatsoper Oldenburg, Neue Oper Wien, the Glyndebourne Festival, Aix-en-Provence Festival, Salzburg Festival, Grafenegg Festival, Ravinia Festival, Carnegie Hall, Wiener Konzerthaus, Musikverein, Elbphilharmonie and more.

She is a recipient of numerous awards in Austria, the US, Israel, and Turkey, and is a sought-after interpreter of both contemporary music and film music. Since 2018, she has been part of the “World of Hans Zimmer” international tour.

Gan-ya holds a dual professorship in Voice at the Music and Arts University of the City of Vienna (MUK) and in vocal contemporary music at the University of Music and Performing Arts Graz (KUG).

Her 2026 engagements include a concert with Patrick Doyle at the Musikverein, the role of Queen of the night at Volksoper Wien, the role of Jude/Roshanna in Jonathan Dove’s opera “Itch” at the Badisches Staatstheater Karlsruhe and a concert tour with the World of Hans Zimmer.