

Watchung Hills Regional High School

Hall of Fame



Amanda Pabyan
Class of 1995

The alumni of Watchung Hills Regional High School take many paths as they travel the road of life but not many have taken the same course as Amanda Pabyan. The musical path that Amanda selected presented significant challenges, but she faced each challenge and fashioned a brilliant career in the musical arts.

While at WHRHS, Amanda was selected for this regional chorus for four years, for the All-State chorus for three years, and for the All-Eastern chorus for two years. The system worked: these organizations recognized her vast talent.

In the years after WHRHS, Amanda received a Bachelor of Music degree from Rutgers University's Mason Gross School of Fine Arts and a Master of Arts Degree in vocal performance from Boston University's School of Fine Arts.

As we travel down paths not chosen by many, we sometimes encounter terms and accolades not readily understood. We find that in what the experts say about Amanda's talents and accomplishments. Amanda is considered one of America's most distinguished "lyric-coloratura sopranos." She has been described as "technically agile, clarion toned and incisive." This means she is extraordinary in her chosen profession.

Amanda has performed in numerous operas around the world, including impressive roles with the Seattle Symphony and the New York City Opera. Her musical talent has also been captured in recordings.

Amanda, welcome to the Watchung Hills Regional High School Hall of Fame.