



### **Chad Louwerse - Bass-Baritone**

Canadian Bass-Baritone Chad Louwerse was singled out in Chabrier's *l'Étoile* by Claude Gingras of La Presse who wrote, "for pure comedy, first distinction goes to Chad Louwerse." He made his European debut as Bernadino in Berlioz' *Benvenuto Cellini* with l'Opéra National du Rhin in Strasbourg, France. In Canada he has been engaged by Pacific Opera Victoria, Vancouver Opera, Edmonton Opera, and l'Opéra de Montréal, among others.

An active oratorio singer and recitalist, Mr. Louwerse's concert repertoire includes Handel's *Messiah*, the Bach *Mass in B-minor*, the Brahms and Mozart *Requiem* and Mendelssohn's *Elijah*. He is a winner of both the CBC Westcoast Performance Pacific Spotlight competition and the Début competition and has given recitals broadcast on CBC Radio

Two. Alongside his performance career he is pursuing a Doctor of Musical Arts degree at Western University where he studies with Canadian Baritone Ted Baerg. He is also on the voice faculty of Wilfred Laurier University.