

MICHAEL GRUNDNER

Lighting Designer

After training as a lighting designer in Vienna, London and New York, Michael Grundner was responsible for the lighting design of countless productions worldwide.

Most recently for the world premieres of the musicals LADY BESS and WÜSTENBLUME at the Theater St. Gallen (CH) , KÖNIGINNEN (The Queens) in Linz, the European premiere of BILLY ELLIOT in Zurich, GOETHE! in Bad Hersfeld, DER SCHUH DES MANITU (Munich and Salzburg), JERSEY BOYS (German premiere) BEST OF KUNZE & LEVAY at Shanghai Culture Square (China), SISTER ACT, TITANIC, NATASCHA PIERRE AND THE GREAT COMET OF 1812 as well as PIAF (Musiktheater Linz), JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR at Theater am Marientor, CATCH ME IF YOU CAN in Austria and Germany, MATTERHORN and TANZ DER VAMPIRE at Theater St. Gallen as well as GREASE, HAIR and THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW in Amstetten. He also created the lighting design for GYPSY and CABARET (both Volksoper Vienna), LE NOZZE DI FIGARO (Graz Opera), DER FREISCHÜTZ (Kobe Opera House, Japan), DON CAMILLO & PEPPONE (Theater St. Gallen and Ronacher), ELISABETH (Vereinigte Bühnen Wien / Semmel Concerts) WEST SIDE STORY (Seefestspiele Mörbisch), PIPPIN (Staatsoperette Dresden), Disney's FROZEN In Concert (tour), DÄLLEBACH KARI (Thuner Seespiele 2023) GHOST (Stage Theater des Westens, Stage Operettenhaus, Stage Palladium Theater), We Are Musical - Raimund Theater opening gala (also TV), and for the tours of ROCK OF AGES, LUTHER! MADNESS! and MARTIN LUTHER KING, as well as for many other productions.

Since 2012, he has also been responsible for the lighting and video design of all José Carreras concerts worldwide.

Awards: "Best Lighting Design" for FLASHDANCE (Musical Sommer Amstetten) 2014, GHOST (Stage Entertainment 2018), WE ARE MUSICAL (Raimund Theater Vienna 2021), ELISABETH in Concert (Vereinigte Bühnen Wien) 2019 as well as ANASTASIA (Musiktheater Linz) 2022.

To name only a few of the Musical-Galas and Concerts: LEADING MEN/LEADING LADIES, ABSOLUT UWE, THOMAS BORCHERT and JOSE CARRERAS – IN CONCERT.

Further he has been the Lighting Designer for "Klangturm St. Pölten" (Soundtower St. Pölten, Austria) which presents art in the sphere of electronics and light, through the example of radio-art and sound sculpture.

THEATRE / OPERA / MUSICAL

2024

ELISABETH - In Concert (Tour China)

WONDERLAND [Aut Prem] Musiktheater Linz

SWEENEY TODD (Oper Dortmund)

BILLY ELLIOTT [GL Prem] (Maag Zürich, CH)

REBECCA - In Concert (Tour China)

SOMETHING ROTTEN (Musiktheater Linz)

KÖNIGINNEN /The Queens [WP] (Musiktheater Linz)

LA BOHEME (Oper Dortmund)

RENT (Oper Dortmund)

CRAZY FOR YOU Oper Graz

THE LIGHT ON THE PIAZZA Das Licht auf der Piazza (Musiktheater Linz / Blackbox)

PIPPIN (Staatsoperette Dresden)

SCHOOL OF ROCK (GLP) Musiktheater Linz

TOOTSIE [Aut Prem] (Musiktheater Linz)

ELISABETH - In Concert (Schloss Schönbrunn, Vienna / VBW)

2023

WÜSTENBLUME (Deutsches Theater München)

DÄLLEBACH KARI (Thuner Seespiele)

JERSEY BOYS [GLP] (Musicalsommer Amstetten)

BLACKBIRD (Schlossfestspiele Ettlingen)

SCHWANENSEE (Schlossfestspiele Ettlingen)

DER FREISCHÜTZ (Schlossfestspiele Ettlingen)

Soho Cinderella (Schlossfestspiele Ettlingen)

LADY BESS (Theater St. Gallen (Ch))

NATASCHA, PIERRE UND DER GROSSE KOMET VON 1812 [Europ. Prem] (Musiktheater Linz)

LE NOZZE DI FIGARO (Oper Graz)

CATCH ME IF YOU CAN (Musiktheater Linz)

GYPSY Volksoper Wien

WÜSTENBLUME [WP] (Theater St. Gallen (CH))

2020 – 2022

ANASTASIA (Musiktheater Linz)

LA CAGE AUX FOLLES (Volksoper Wien, Austria)

ROBIN HOOD [WP] (Schlosstheater, Fulda)

LADY BESS (WP) (Theater St. Gallen, Switzerland)

Frank Wildhorn's DRACULA! (Wilhelmsburg, Ulm)

SOUND OF MUSIC (Theater St. Gallen, Switzerland)

PRISCILLA – Queen of the Desert! (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

TITANIC (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

PIAF (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

WE ARE MUSICAL . Raimundtheater ((Vereinigte Bühnen Wien)

GOETHE! (Bad Hersfeld)

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR (Theater St. Gallen, Switzerland)

THE KING AND I (Seefestspiele Mörbisch)

HIMMEL UND KÖLLE

LADY IN THE DARK (Volksoper Wien, Austria)

WEST SIDE STORY (Seefestspiele Mörbisch)

DER SCHUH DES MANITU (Deutsches Theater, München; Landestheater Salzburg)

2019

A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

SISTER ACT (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

ELISABETH in Concert in front of Schloss Schönbrunn (Vereinigte Bühnen Wien)

LIEBESELIXIER (Volksoper Wien, Austria)

LEVAY & FRIENDS (Shanghai)

2018

MATTERHORN – THE MUSICAL (Theater St. Gallen, Switzerland)

BETTY BLUE EYES (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

WAHNSINN! (Theater am Marientor Duisburg, Germany)

DER FREISCHUETZ (Hyogo Center for Performing Arts, Osaka, Japan) Lighting & Video Design

AN AMERIKAN IN PARIS (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

RAGTIME (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

2017

LUTHER – Arena Tour including ZDF TV Live Broadcast (Germany)

DON CAMILLO & PEPPONE (Vereinigte Buehnen Wien, Ronacher, Austria)

HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS WITHOUT REALLY TRYING (Volksoper Wien, Austria)

DANCE OF THE VAMPIRES (Theater St. Gallen, Switzerland)

DISNEY'S FROZEN IN CONCERT (Arena Tour – Austria – Germany – Switzerland)

GHOST – THE MUSICAL (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR IN CONCERT (Vereinigte Buehnen Wien, Ronacher, Austria)

GRAND HOTEL (Buehne Baden, Austria)

HAIR (Musicalsommer Amstetten, Austria)

GYPSY (Volksoper Wien, Austria)

HAIRSPRAY (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

LE NOZZE DI FIGARO (Opernhaus Graz, Austria)

GHOST-THE MUSICAL (Stage Theater des Westens, Berlin, Germany)

JOSÈ CARRERAS WORLD TOUR (Europe, South America, USA)

2016

LUTHER – Arena Tour (Germany)

INTO THE WOODS (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

FOOTLOOSE (Musicalsommer Amstetten, Austria)

WINTER WONDERETTES (Theater i.d. Josefstadt / Kammerspiele Vienna, Austria)

IM WEISSEN ROESSL AM WOLFGANGSEE (Operettensommer Langenlois, Austria)

AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS (Musiktheater Linz, Austria)

DON CAMILLO & PEPPONE (Theater St. Gallen, Switzerland)

JOSÉ CARRERAS WORLD TOUR (Europe, China, South America)

2015

WEST SIDE STORY - Theater St.Gallen (CH)

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR, Raimund Theater Vienna (AT)

THE WHO'S TOMMY - Landestheater Linz (AT)

WEST SIDE STORY – Wilhelmsburg, Ulm (DE)

JOSÉ CARRERAS – A LIFE IN MUSIC – Licht- und & Video-Design, World tour

FLASHDANCE - Theater St.Gallen (CH)

LA CAGE AUX FOLLES - Kammerspiele Vienna (AT)

SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER- Musicalsommer Amstetten (AT)

2014

SHOW BOAT (Musical), Musiktheater Linz (AT)

THE WIZ (Musical), Deutsches Theater Munich (DE)

ZERBINETTAS BEFREIUNG (Drama), Theatersommer Haag (AT)

AIDA (Opera), Opernfestspiele St. Margarethen (AT)

PARISER LEBEN (Operetta), Schlossfestspiele Langenlois (AT)

FLASHDANCE (Musical), Musicalsommer Amstetten (AT)

LES MISÉRABLES (Musical), Musiktheater Linz (AT)

DINOSAURS - The Musical (Musical), Theater der Jugend Vienna (AT)

JOSÉ CARRERAS - Worldwide Concerts

2013

MOSES (Musical), Theater St. Gallen (CH)

JÄGERSTÄTTER (Drama), Theatersommer Haag (AT)

LA BOHÉME (Opera), Opernfestspiele St. Margarethen (AT)

XANADU (Musical), Musicalsommer Amstetten (AT)

WIENER BLUT (Operetta), Schlossfestspiele Langenlois (AT)

THE WIZ (Musical), Musiktheater Linz (AT)

CATCH ME IF YOU CAN (Musical), Theater in der Josefstadt / Kammerspiele Vienna (AT)

ONCE UPON A MATTRESS (Musical), Theater der Jugend Vienna (AT)

JOSÉ CARRERAS - Worldwide Concerts

2012

CHICAGO (Musical), Theater Sankt Gallen (CH)

GIGI (Musical), Opernhaus Graz (AT)

DIE 10 GEBOTE - THE 10 COMMANDMENTS (Musical/Pop Oratorium), Tour (DE)

MUSICAL ROCKS (Musical), Tour (CH/DE)

DER ZERBROCHENE KRUG (Drama), Theatersommer Haag (AT)

DER KLEINE HORRORLADEN (Musical), Musicalsommer Amstetten (AT)

GUSTAV KLIMT - Das Musical, Künstlerhaus Vienna (AT)

JOSÉ CARRERAS - Worldwide Concerts

2011

MUSICAL ROCKS (Musical), Wiener Stadthalle F, Vienna (AT)

MISS SAIGON (Musical), Österreichische Ersataufführung, Theater Klagenfurt (AT)

A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM, Volksoper Vienna (AT)

DIE 10 GEBOTE - THE 10 COMMANDMENTS (Musical/Pop Oratorium), Tour (DE)

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM (Drama), Theater Haag (AT)

JOSÉ CARRERAS - Worldwide Concerts

2010

DIE 10 GEBOTE - THE 10 COMMANDMENTS /Pop Oratorium), Westfalenhalle Dortmund (DE) (also on DVD)

THE FULL MONTY (Ganz Oder Gar Nicht) (Musical), Musicalsommer Amstetten (AT)

WILDHORN & FRIENDS (Musical Gala), Raimundtheater Vienna (AT)

DER NACKTE WAHNSINN / NOISES OFF (Drama), Theater Haag (AT)

2009

THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO (Musical), World premier, Theater Sankt Gallen (CH)

THE MAN FROM LA MANCHA (Musical), Theater Sankt Gallen (CH)

ABSOLUT UWE! (Musical Gala), Wiener Stadthalle F / Tournee (A,D) (also on DVD)

CYRANO DE BERGERAC (Drama); Theater Haag (AT)

INDUSTRY CREDITS:

„VIENNA ART ORCHESTRA“ 30th Anniversary Tour 2007/2008

„AWD General Meeting“ 2005/2006/2007/2008/2009

„VOEST FEUERTAUFE“ 2006/2007

„MERCEDES C Class LAUNCH“ 2007

„VIG Vienna Insurance Group“ General Meetings, 2006/2007/2008

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DVD/TV CREDITS:

„ABSOLUT UWE“, DVD 2010

„THE 10 COMMANDMENTS“/„DIE 10 GEBOTE“, DVD/TV, (2010)

„SOMMERNACHTSKONZERT“ / „SUMER NIGHTS CONCERT“ Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra

TV/LIVE/DVD; Schloss Schönbrunn; (2009)

„SAVE THE WORLD AWARDS“ (TV Gala); 2009

„WORLD WOMENS AWARD“ (TV Gala); Wiener Stadthalle 2009

„KIDDY CONTEST“ TV/DVD/TOUR, 2005/2006/2007/2008/2009

„ENERGY GLOBE AWARD“, TV Show EU Parliament, 2007/2008/2009

„XXXLutz“, TV Spots, 2006/2007/2008/2009

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