

OLGA VOCAL ENSEMBLE

Olga vocal ensemble is a fresh new ensemble based in the Netherlands – but with undoubtedly international roots. Olga was founded in 2012 at the Utrecht Conservatory. First tenor is Bjarni Guðmundsson, second tenor is Jonathan Ploeg, baritone is Gulian van Nierop, first bass is Pétur Oddbergur Heimisson, and second bass is Philip Barkhudarov. All five members are students of Jón Þorsteinsson in Utrecht.

Olga's repertoire covers five centuries and more of musical joy, from Renaissance to barbershop, and her aim is to captivate audiences with unbridled fun, drama, enthusiasm, and simply beautiful singing.

Recently, she had intensive coaching by [Paul Phoenix](#), famous tenor formerly of the King's Singers. Here's what he had to say about her:

“In October 2014 I had the pleasure of spending three days working with Olga Vocal Ensemble at the Utrecht Music Conservatorium. Amongst many ensembles I've coached and worked with around the world, Olga stands out as a group performing to the highest standards and having great potential for the future. I love their style, their humour and spirit, as well as the unique sound which stems from their Icelandic roots and their love of folk music. See them in concert, listen to their recordings and be charmed by their wit!”



Het Olga vocal ensemble is een fris nieuw Nederlands ensemble met internationale wortels. Olga werd in 2012 opgericht aan het Utrechtse Conservatorium. Bjarni Guðmundsson zingt eerste tenor, Jonathan Ploeg tweede tenor, Gulian van Nierop neemt de baritonpartij voor zijn rekening, Pétur Oddbergur Heimisson de eerste bas, en Philip Barkhudarov zingt de allerlaagste noten. Alle vijf leden zijn studenten van Jón Þorsteinsson in Utrecht.

Olga's repertoire omvat minstens vijf eeuwen aan muzikale vreugde, van Renaissance tot barbershop. Olga beoogt haar publiek genot te bezorgen met ongebreideld plezier, drama, enthousiasme en gewoonweg prachtige zang.

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