Critically acclaimed Finnish mezzo-soprano Niina Keitel has distinguished herself on the most prestigious stages in the world, including the Opéra National de Paris, Oper Frankfurt, Nationaltheater Mannheim, Bellas Artes/Mexico City, Teatro di San Carlo/Naples, Finnish National Opera, Royal Danish Opera, Staatstheater Darmstadt, Savonlinna Opera Festival, Daegu International Opera Festival and Oper Bonn, Teatro Petruzzelli, Theater Heidelberg, Theater Luzern.

The versatile singer has performed over 50 mezzo roles, Carmen being her signature role. Other important roles include Octavian, Judit and Santuzza. Her cherry-dark mezzo with an expansive vocal range makes her a widely sought-after singer of opera, concert and lied alike. Her broad concert repertoire goes from oratorio and lied to Mahler: Das Lied von der Erde, Sibelius: Kullervo and Verdi: Requiem. In addition to her singing career Niina Keitel served as artistic director of Lemi Music Festival 2013-2018.