

THE RYMAN HEALTHCARE SEASON OF  
*The* **NUTCRACKER**

**CASTING**

The Opera House, Wellington | Wednesday 31 October 2018, 7.30pm

**Music:** Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

**Choreography:** Val Caniparoli

**Set Design:** Michael Auer

**Lighting Design:** Jon Buswell

**Costume Design:** Patricia Barker

*The Nutcracker* is based on the story *The Nutcracker and the Mouse King* by ETA Hoffmann. On Christmas Eve, Marie dreams that her Nutcracker Doll turns into a handsome Prince and, during a fierce battle against the Mouse King, saves Marie from the King's evil clutches. The two take a magical journey through a snowy wood, and travel through the Land of the Sweets. Arriving at Marzipan Castle, they take part in a glorious celebration of nations led by the Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier.

**Act I**

<b>Herr Drosselmeier</b>	Nicholas Schultz
<b>Marie Stahlbaum</b>	Katherine Minor
<b>Frau Stahlbaum</b>	Abigail Boyle
<b>Dr Stahlbaum</b>	Loughlan Prior
<b>Fritz Stahlbaum</b>	Shanwen Tan
<b>The Nutcracker</b>	Fabio Lo Giudice
<b>Grandmother</b>	Leonora Voigtlander
<b>Grandfather</b>	Shaun James Kelly
<b>Guests</b>	Rhiannon Fairless, Kate Kadow, Olivia Moore, Katharine Precourt, Caroline Wiley Luke Cooper, Alexandre Ferreira, Tristan Gross, Joseph Skelton, Wan Bin Yuan
<b>Marie's Friends</b>	Madeleine Graham, Marie Varlet
<b>Sugar Plum Doll</b>	Nadia Yanowsky
<b>Cavalier Doll</b>	Paul Mathews
<b>The Children</b>	Kate Bradley, Rachel Davie, Acacia Davis, Olivia Gordon, Samuel Hardy, Isabella Lovell, Luke Morgan, Sahara Pender, James Penfold, Arabella Shackel, Kaylee Smith, Lucia Stephenson
<b>Maid</b>	Kirby Selchow
<b>Mouse King</b>	Loughlan Prior
<b>Small Mice</b>	Liam Brick, Daniella Caccia-Birch, Kiron Gould, Siam Hartley, Abigail Parker, Abby van den Heuval
<b>Large Mice</b>	Josie Bamber, Sophia Brewerton, Susannah Forsyth, Elizabeth Fraser, Tara Kinajil-Moran, Brooke Reti, Claudia Smith, Phoebe Van der Velden
<b>The Soldiers</b>	Shaun James Kelly, Kihiro Kusukami with Luke Cooper, Vincent Fraola†, Tristan Gross, Nathan Mennis, Laurynas Vėjalis, Wan Bin Yuan
<b>Snowflakes</b>	Cadence Barrack†, Rhiannon Fairless, Kiara Flavin, Sara Garbowski, Madeleine Graham, Alyssa Kelty, Olivia Moore, Kirby Selchow, Teagan Tank†, Marie Varlet, Leonora Voigtlander, Caroline Wiley

Interval

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**Act II**

<b>Sugar Plum Fairy</b>	Nadia Yanowsky
<b>Her Cavalier</b>	Paul Mathews
<b>Fairies</b>	Zara Bradley, Annabel England, Phoebe Jefferson, Isabella Lovell, Kahleeah Moon, Sahara Pender
<b>Spanish Chocolate</b>	Kirby Selchow, Caroline Wiley, Alexandre Ferreira, Wan Bin Yuan
<b>Arabian Coffee</b>	Abigail Boyle, Loughlan Prior
<b>Chinese Tea</b>	Kihiro Kusukami
<b>Lion</b>	Vincent Fraola†, Tristan Gross
<b>French Pastilles</b>	Madeleine Graham, Marie Varlet, Leonora Voigtlander
<b>Russian Caviar</b>	Massimo Margaria, Joseph Skelton, Laurynas Vėjalis
<b>Bon Bons</b>	Kate Bradley, Sophia Brewerton, Acaciah Davis, Susannah Forsyth, Olivia Gordon, Tara Kinajil-Moran, Gemma Lew, Lucia Stephenson
<b>Dewdrop</b>	Sara Garbowski
<b>Pōhutukawa Flowers</b>	Cadence Barrack†, Rhiannon Fairless, Kiara Flavin, Alyssa Kelty, Minkyung Lee, Yayoi Matches*, Olivia Moore, Clare Schellenberg, Kirby Selchow, Katherine Skelton, Teagan Tank†, Caroline Wiley

**Conductor: Hamish McKeich**

Orchestra: New Zealand Symphony Orchestra



Choir: women from the Orpheus Choir of Wellington, directed by Brent Stewart

\* Guest dancer

† Student with the New Zealand School of Dance

Running time is approximately two hours, including a 20 minute interval.  
Casting is correct at time of printing but is subject to change.

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