

THE RYMAN HEALTHCARE SEASON OF
The **NUTCRACKER**

CASTING

The Opera House, Wellington | Saturday 3 November 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

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

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

Conductor: Hamish McKeich

Orchestra: New Zealand Symphony Orchestra



Choir: Cantala from Wellington East Girls College, directed by Brent Stewart

* Guest dancer

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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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