

THE RYMAN HEALTHCARE SEASON OF
The **NUTCRACKER**

CASTING

Napier Municipal Theatre, Napier | Sunday 2 December, 4.00pm

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	Massimo Margaria
Marie Stahlbaum	Katherine Minor
Frau Stahlbaum	Clytie Campbell
Dr Stahlbaum	Loughlan Prior
Fritz Stahlbaum	Lukas Maher
The Nutcracker	Fabio Lo Giudice
Grandmother	Katherine Skelton
Grandfather	Kihiro Kusakami
Guests	Ella Chambers†, Rhiannon Fairless, Sara Garbowski, Katharine Precourt, Indigo Robb* Luke Cooper, Vincent Fraola†, Tristan Gross, Nathan Mennis, Joseph Skelton
Marie's Friends	Kiara Flavin, Caroline Wiley
Sugar Plum Doll	Mayu Tanigaito
Cavalier Doll	Paul Mathews
The Children	Sean Birnie, Esther Dear, Taryn Drysdale, Sophie Hunter, Amber Idiosolo, Luella Jensen, Brianna Mahoney, Grace Pritchard, Eleanor Squires, Holly Taplin, Brianna Williams, Mikayla Wright
Maid	Olivia Moore
Mouse King	Loughlan Prior
Small Mice	Enya Abele, Monique Alexander, Summer Campbell, Charlie Dickie, Scarlett Flanders, Haruka Wallis
Large Mice	Maia Bassett, Brooke Crabtree-Hansen, Ella Cross, Amelia Dear, Madeline Krebs, Georgina MacMillan, Olivia McLeod, Anahera Puketapu
The Soldiers	Vincent Fraola†, Laurynas Vėjalis with Luke Cooper, Alexandre Ferreira, Tristan Gross, Nathan Mennis, Joseph Skelton, Joaquin Thomas-Mourad*
Snowflakes	Cadence Barrack†, Rhiannon Fairless, Kiara Flavin, Alyssa Kelty, Minkyung Lee, Yayoi Matches*, Olivia Moore, Indigo Robb*, Kirby Selchow, Teagan Tank†, Marie Varlet, Leonora Voigtlander

Interval

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Act II

Sugar Plum Fairy	Mayu Tanigaito
Her Cavalier	Paul Mathews
Fairies	Enya Abele, Summer Campbell, Charlie Dickie, Caitlin Montaperto-Wells, Hakura Wallis, Mikayla Wright
Spanish Chocolate	Minkyung Lee, Olivia Moore, Joseph Skelton, Laurynas Vėjalis
Arabian Coffee	Kate Kadow, Wan Bin Yuan
Chinese Tea	Shaun James Kelly
Lion	Tristan Gross, Joaquin Thomas-Mourad*
French Pastilles	Madeleine Graham, Yayoi Matches*, Caroline Wiley
Russian Caviar	Luke Cooper, Tristan Gross, Nathan Mennis
Bon Bons	Maia Bassett, Brooke Crabtree-Hansen, Isabella Davidson-Payne, Amelia Dear, Taryn Drysdale, Georgina MacMillan, Anahera Puketapu, Eleanor Squires
Dewdrop	Nadia Yanowsky
Pōhutukawa Flowers	Cadence Barrack†, Ella Chambers‡, Rhiannon Fairless, Kiara Flavin, Alyssa Kelty, Yayoi Matches*, Olivia Moore, Indigo Robb*, Clare Schellenberg, Katherine Skelton, Teagan Tank†, Leonora Voigtlander

Music: *The Nutcracker* performed by the Kirov Orchestra, conducted by Valery Gergiev. Philips Classics, by kind permission of Universal Music.

* Guest dancer

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Running time is approximately two hours, including a 20 minute interval.

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