

THE RYMAN HEALTHCARE SEASON OF
The NUTCRACKER

CASTING

The Civic, Auckland | Saturday 8 December 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	Massimo Margaria
Marie Stahlbaum	Marie Varlet
Frau Stahlbaum	Clytie Campbell
Dr Stahlbaum	Loughlan Prior
Fritz Stahlbaum	Lukas Maher
The Nutcracker	Shaun James Kelly
Grandmother	Leonora Voigtlander
Grandfather	Kihiro Kusukami
Guests	Rhiannon Fairless, Kate Kadow, Yayoi Matches*, Katharine Precourt, Caroline Wiley Luke Cooper, Tristan Gross, Nathan Mennis, Joseph Skelton, Wan Bin Yuan
Marie's Friends	Cadence Barrack†, Madeleine Graham
Sugar Plum Doll	Mayu Tanigaito
Cavalier Doll	Paul Mathews
The Children	Ali Al-Chalabi, Oscar Cowie, Joshua Douglas, Anna D'Souza, Ava Eie, Ophelia Grimshaw-Jones, Sophia Harris, Phoebe Kiyoto-Ward, Bianca Lungu, Sebastien Sly, Harry Sills, Ava Tiffin-Lang
Maid	Kirby Selchow
Mouse King	Loughlan Prior
Small Mice	Lila Muramoto, Ava Page, Audrey Roberts, Alexia Rudd, Heidi Wang, Yolanda Zhu
Large Mice	Asia-Rose Blowfield, Tessa Cordner, Madeleine Glassey, Joycelyn Ip, Erin Malan, Rei Muramoto, Rebekah Terry, Iris Wang
The Soldiers	Fabio Lo Giudice, Laurynas Vėjalis with Luke Cooper, Alexandre Ferreira, Vincent Fraola†, Tristan Gross, Nathan Mennis, Joaquin Thomas-Mourad*
Snowflakes	Cadence Barrack†, Ella Chambers‡, Rhiannon Fairless, Kiara Flavin, Alyssa Kelty, Yayoi Matches*, Olivia Moore, Jemima Scott§, Katherine Skelton, Teagan Tank†, Leonora Voigtlander, Caroline Wiley

Interval

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Act II

Sugar Plum Fairy	Mayu Tanigaito
Her Cavalier	Paul Mathews
Fairies	Heidi Liao, Ava Page, Audrey Roberts, Alexia Rudd, Scarlett Sills, Yolanda Zhu
Spanish Chocolate	Rhiannon Fairless, Katharine Precourt, Luke Cooper, Nathan Mennis
Arabian Coffee	Abigail Boyle, Loughlan Prior
Chinese Tea	Laurynas Vėjalis
Lion	Tristan Gross, Joaquin Thomas-Mourad*
French Pastilles	Madeleine Graham, Yayoi Matches*, Caroline Wiley
Russian Caviar	Vincent Fraola†, Kihiro Kusukami, Joaquin Thomas-Mourad*
Bon Bons	Jadyn Bagayas, Asia-Rose Blowfield, Hazel Couper, Madeleine Glassey, Sophie-Kate Groen, Joycelyn Ip, Rebekah Terry, Iris Wang
Dewdrop	Kirby Selchow
Pōhutukawa Flowers	Cadence Barrack†, Rhiannon Fairless, Kiara Flavin, Alyssa Kelty, Minkyung Lee, Olivia Moore, Indigo Robb*, Clare Schellenberg, Jemima Scott‡, Katherine Skelton, Teagan Tank†, Leonora Voigtlander

Conductor: Hamish McKeich

Orchestra: Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra



Choir: Specially made recording by Cantala from Wellington East Girls' College

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§ Intern, Mount Eden Ballet Academy

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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