

THE RYMAN HEALTHCARE SEASON OF
The **NUTCRACKER**

CASTING

The Civic, Auckland | Saturday 8 December 2018, 1.30pm

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	Aston Pickmere
The Nutcracker	Fabio Lo Giudice
Grandmother	Katherine Skelton
Grandfather	Massimo Margaria
Guests	Alyssa Kelty, Minkyung Lee, Olivia Moore, Indigo Robb*, Teagan Tank† Luke Cooper, Vincent Fraola†, Kihiro Kusakami, Joaquin Thomas-Mourad*, Laurynas Vėjalis
Marie's Friends	Madeleine Graham, Marie Varlet
Sugar Plum Doll	Sara Garbowski
Cavalier Doll	Alexandre Ferreira
The Children	Sam Boyle, Cooper Firkin, Elliot Gordon, Victoria Jagush, Miriam Joyce, Hollie Knowles, Heremanaate Manapori, Carys Melrose, Sienna Pickmere, Sophie Van der Meijden, Abby Wendelborn, Ashley Wong
Maid	Kirby Selchow
Mouse King	Loughlan Prior
Small Mice	Daragh Bonnici, Paris-Lily Foster, Agatha Kuroda, Maia Stowell, Sophia Tsang, Gabriella Wiggett
Large Mice	Eloise Luff-Hansen, Charlotte Healey, Aariah Mandeno, Niamh Melrose, Mya Pritchard, Rylie Wilkinson, Kohana Williams, Brooke Wong
The Soldiers	Shaun James Kelly, Kihiro Kusakami with Luke Cooper, Vincent Fraola†, Tristan Gross, Nathan Mennis, Laurynas Vėjalis, Wan Bin Yuan
Snowflakes	Cadence Barrack†, Ella Chambers‡, Rhiannon Fairless, Kiara Flavin, Madeleine Graham, Alyssa Kelty, Olivia Moore, Kirby Selchow, Katherine Skelton, Teagan Tank†, Leonora Voigtlander, Caroline Wiley

Interval

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Act II

Sugar Plum Fairy	Sara Garbowski
Her Cavalier	Alexandre Ferreira
Fairies	Daragh Bonnici, Gabrielle Copley, Paris-Lily Foster, Koharu Lino, Sophia Tsang, Gabriella Wiggett
Spanish Chocolate	Kirby Selchow, Caroline Wiley, Joseph Skelton, Wan Bin Yuan
Arabian Coffee	Katharine Precourt, Paul Mathews
Chinese Tea	Kihiro Kusukami
Lion	Vincent Fraola†, Tristan Gross
French Pastilles	Katherine Skelton, Marie Varlet, Leonora Voigtlander
Russian Caviar	Luke Cooper, Shaun James Kelly, Laurynas Vėjalis
Bon Bons	Hilary An-Roddie, Sophia Copley, Sienna Going, Aariah Mandeno, Ruby Ryburn, Riley Wilkinson, Kohana Williams, Brooke Wong
Dewdrop	Nadia Yanowsky
Pōhutukawa Flowers	Cadence Barrack†, Rhiannon Fairless, Kiara Flavin, Alyssa Kelty, Minkyung Lee, Yayoi Matches*, Olivia Moore, Indigo Robb*, Clare Schellenberg, Katherine Skelton, Teagan Tank‡, Caroline Wiley

Conductor: Hamish McKeich

Orchestra: Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra



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

* 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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