

THE RYMAN HEALTHCARE SEASON OF
The **NUTCRACKER**

CASTING

The Civic, Auckland | Sunday 9 December 2018, 3.00pm

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	Loughlan Prior
Marie Stahlbaum	Madeleine Graham
Frau Stahlbaum	Kirby Selchow
Dr Stahlbaum	Paul Mathews
Fritz Stahlbaum	Lukas Maher
The Nutcracker	Kihiro Kusakami
Grandmother	Katherine Minor
Grandfather	Fabio Lo Giudice
Guests	Rhiannon Fairless, Kate Kadow, Yayoi Matches*, Katharine Precourt, Caroline Wiley Luke Cooper, Tristan Gross, Shaun James Kelly, Nathan Mennis, Wan Bin Yuan
Marie's Friends	Minkyung Lee, Marie Varlet
Sugar Plum Doll	Nadia Yanowsky
Cavalier Doll	Joseph Skelton
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	Olivia Moore
Mouse King	Paul Mathews
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, Massimo Margaria with Luke Cooper, Vincent Fraola [†] , Tristan Gross, Nathan Mennis, Joaquin Thomas-Mourad*, Laurynas Vėjalis
Snowflakes	Cadence Barrack [†] , Alyssa Kelty, Minkyung Lee, Yayoi Matches*, Katherine Minor, Olivia Moore, Indigo Robb*, Clare Schellenberg, Jemima Scott [§] , Teagan Tank [†] , Marie Varlet, Leonora Voigtlander

Interval

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Act II

Sugar Plum Fairy	Nadia Yanowsky
Her Cavalier	Joseph Skelton
Fairies	Heidi Liao, Ava Page, Audrey Roberts, Alexia Rudd, Scarlett Sills, Yolanda Zhu
Spanish Chocolate	Marie Varlet, Leonora Voigtlander, Fabio Lo Giudice, Massimo Margaria
Arabian Coffee	Kate Kadow, Wan Bin Yuan
Chinese Tea	Shaun James Kelly
Lion	Luke Cooper, Vincent Fraola [†]
French Pastilles	Minkyung Lee, Katherine Minor, Caroline Wiley
Russian Caviar	Luke Cooper, Tristan Gross, Nathan Mennis
Bon Bons	Jadyn Bagayas, Asia-Rose Blowfield, Hazel Couper, Madeleine Glassey, Sophie-Kate Groen, Joycelyn Ip, Rebekah Terry, Iris Wang
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: Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra



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

* Guest dancer

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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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