BIRMINGHAM ROYAL BALLET

Monday matinee 30 December 2024, 2pm Royal Albert Hall

These performances are dedicated to the memory of Caroline Miller OBE (1971-2024), Birmingham Royal Ballet's Chief Executive.

The Nutcracker

Choreography Peter Wright, Lev Ivanov, Vincent Redmon; Music Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky;

Production David Bintley; Additional choreography David Bintley, Marion Tait;

Costumes and props John Macfarlane; Setting and additional props Dick Bird; Lighting Peter Teigen;

Projection designs 59 Productions; Sound design Bobby Aitken

with Simon Callow as the Voice of Drosselmeyer

The Sugar Plum Fairy Yu Kurihara

The Prince Lachlan Monaghan

Drosselmeyer Gabriel Anderson

Clara's Godfather

Clara Reina Fuchigami

a ballet student

ACT I

The Magician's Assistant Enrique Bejarano Vidal

Clara's Mother Yvette Knight

a former ballerina

Clara's Father Miles Gilliver

Fritz Lawson Hateley

Clara's younger brother

Clara's Dancing Partner Ryan Felix

Grandmother Daria Stanciulescu
Grandfather August Generalli

Butler Oscar Kempsey-Fagg

Harlequin Gus Payne

Columbine Rachele Pizzillo

Jack-in-the-Box Shauailun Wu

Ballet Students, Cadets, Guests and Servants Artists of Birmingham Royal Ballet

Children Members of Birmingham Royal Ballet's Dance Track

and Royal Ballet Junior Associates

The Nutcracker Doll Enrique Bejarano Vidal

The Rat King Callum Findlay-White

Soldiers, Rats Artists of Birmingham Royal Ballet

The Snow Fairy Amelia Thompson

Her Attendants Tori Forsyth-Hecken, Tessa Hogge,

Frieda Kaden, Lynsey Sutherland

Winds Mason King, Ryan Felix,

Haoliang Feng, Miles Gilliver

Snowflakes Artists of Birmingham Royal Ballet

INTERVAL

ACT II

Spanish Dance Rachele Pizzillo, Miles Gilliver, Ravier Rojas

Arabian Dance Eilis Small,

Jack Easton, August Generalli, Mason King

Chinese Dance Ryan Felix, Gus Payne

Russian Dance Louis Andreasen, Callum Findlay-White, Tom Hazelby

Dance of the Mirlitons Olivia Chang Clarke, Alisa Garkavenko,

Tessa Hogge, Frieda Kaden

Waltz of the Flowers

The Rose Fairy Sofia Liñares

Her Consorts Enrique Bejarano Vidal, Haoliang Feng,

Oscar Kempsey-Fagg, Shuailun Wu

Leading Flowers Isabella Howard, Yuki Sugiura,

Lynsey Sutherland, Amelia Thompson

Grand pas de deux Yu Kurihara, Lachlan Monaghan

Students appear by kind permission of the Principal of The Royal Ballet School.

Royal Ballet Sinfonia

Conductor Yi Wei

First Violins

Robert Gibbs Leader
Joana Valentinaviciute
Vanessa David
Amanda Brown
Deborah Schlenther
Philip Aird
Caroline Ferriman
Jennifer Thurston

Timothy Wilford

Second Violins

Caroline Heard Mary Martin Fiona Robertson Robert Simmons Charlotte Dodwell Shelly Deacon Suzannah Quirke Violas

Errika Collins Linda Kidwell James Flannery Katie Perrin Alison D'Souza

Cellos

Jane Rainey Francesca Cull Alisa Liubarskaya Cormac O'Briain

Doubles Basses

Samuel Rice Alexander Verster Phoebe Cheng

Flutes

Anna Wolstenholme Daniel Parkin Sandra Skipper *Piccolo* Oboes

Amy Turner Vanessa Howells Helen Vigurs *Cor anglais*

Clarinets

Ian Scott Andrew Harper Christopher Goodman *Bass*

Bassoons

Luke Tucker Ruth Rosales

Horns

Richard Dilley Findlay Bain Christopher Pointon David Horwich Jonathan Bareham

Trumpets

Michael Allen Steven Walton Trombones

Andrew White David Pitts Edward Hilton

Tuba

David Gordon Shute

Timpani

Grahame King

Percussion Kevin Earley

Paul Parker Mathew Senior

Harp

Susan Blair Elin Samuel

Celeste

Jeanette Wong

APPROXIMATE TIMINGS

Act I 50 minutes
Interval 25 minutes
Act II 50 minutes

The performance will end at approximately 4.10pm