

BIRMINGHAM ROYAL BALLET

Tuesday 31 December 2024, 4pm
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 Céline Gittens
The Prince Yasiel Hodelín Bello
Drosselmeyer Max Maslen
Clara's Godfather
Clara Sofia Liñares
a ballet student

ACT I

The Magician's Assistant Gus Payne
Clara's Mother Yvette Knight
a former ballerina
Clara's Father Jonathan Payn
Fritz Lars Hetherington-Howell
Clara's younger brother
Clara's Dancing Partner Enrique Bejarano Vidal
Grandmother Daria Stanciulescu
Grandfather Rory Mackay
Butler Oscar Kempsey-Fagg
Harlequin Shuailun Wu
Columbine Rachele Pizzillo
Jack-in-the-Box Riku Ito
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 Gus Payne
The Rat King Marlo Kempsey-Fagg
Soldiers, Rats Artists of Birmingham Royal Ballet

The Snow Fairy Amelia Thompson
Her Attendants Reina Fuchigami, Matilde Rodrigues,
Eilis Small, Yuki Sugiura
Winds Enrique Bejarano Vidal, Ryan Felix,
Haoliang Feng, Miles Gilliver
Snowflakes Artists of Birmingham Royal Ballet

INTERVAL

ACT II

Spanish Dance	Rosanna Ely, Gabriel Anderson, Miles Gilliver
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, Reina Fuchigami, Alisa Garkavenko, Tessa Hogge

Waltz of the Flowers

The Rose Fairy	Yu Kurihara
Her Consorts	Enrique Bejarano Vidal, Haoliang Feng, Oscar Kempsey-Fagg, Shuailun Wu
Leading Flowers	Isabella Howard, Rachele Pizzillo, Yuki Sugiura, Amelia Thompson
Grand pas de deux	Céline Gittens, Yasiel Hodelín Bello

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

Amos Miller
Andrew White
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 6.10pm