BIRMINGHAM ROYAL BALLET

Tuesday 31 December 2024, 12 noon 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 Momoko Hirata

The Prince Mathias Dingman

Drosselmeyer Rory Mackay

Clara's Godfather

Clara Beatrice Parma

a ballet student

ACT I

The Magician's Assistant Ryan Felix

Clara's Mother Daria Stanciulescu

a former ballerina

Clara's Father Gabriel Anderson

Fritz Lawson Hateley

Clara's younger brother

Clara's Dancing Partner Gus Payne

Grandmother Yvette Regueiro

Grandfather Jonathan Payn

Butler Marlo Kempsey-Fagg Harlequin Riku Ito

Columbine Rosanna Ely

Jack-in-the-Box Enrique Bejarano Vidal

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 Ryan Felix

The Rat King Miles Gilliver

Soldiers, Rats Artists of Birmingham Royal Ballet

The Snow Fairy Yuki Sugiura

Her Attendants Isabella Howard, Frieda Kaden,

Rachele Pizzillo, Amelia Thompson

Winds Gabriel Anderson, Jack Easton,

Callum Findlay-White, Mason King

Snowflakes Artists of Birmingham Royal Ballet

INTERVAL

ACT II

Spanish Dance Rosanna Ely, August Generalli, Javier Rojas

Arabian Dance Tori Forsyth-Hecken, Louis Andreasen,

Callum Findlay-White, Oscar Kempsey-Fagg

Chinese Dance Enrique Bejarano Vidal, Shuailun Wu Russian Dance Jack Easton, Joe Parker, Gus Payne

Dance of the Mirlitons Maïlène Katoch, Ellyne Knol,

Matilde Rodrigues, Yuki Sugiura

Waltz of the Flowers

The Rose Fairy Reina Fuchigami

Her Consorts Ryan Felix, Miles Gilliver,

Riku Ito, Mason King

Leading Flowers Isabella Howard, Eilis Small,

Rachele Pizzillo, Daria Stanciulescu

Grand pas de deux Momoko Hirata, Mathias Dingman

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

Royal Ballet Sinfonia

Conductor Paul Murphy

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 2.10pm