

English National Ballet Song of the Earth & La Sylphide Romeo & Juliet / Akram Khan's Giselle / Nutcracker National Tour

Wednesday 11 October – Saturday 2 December 2017 Performance times and ticket prices vary

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Principal casting for English National Ballet's autumn tour is today announced.

Continuing its commitment to taking world-class ballet to audiences across the country, this autumn English National Ballet presents five productions on its national tour.

Two works new to English National Ballet's repertoire, Sir Kenneth MacMillan's masterwork, Song of the Earth and August Bournonville's La Sylphide recreated by Frank Andersen and Eva Kloborg, will be performed at the Manchester Palace Theatre (11-14 October) and Milton Keynes Theatre (17-21 October), ahead of its run at the London Coliseum in January.

Winner of the South Bank Sky Arts Award for Dance, Akram Khan's *Giselle* comes to Liverpool for the first time, with performances at the Liverpool Empire Theatre (25-28 October), and at the Bristol Hippodrome (21-25 November), Rudolf Nureyev's *Romeo & Juliet* returns this autumn.

Completing the tour is Wayne Eagling's *Nutcracker*, which tours to the Mayflower Theatre Southampton (29 November-2 December) ahead of its run at the Coliseum this winter.

Principal casting for performances of Nutcracker at The Mayflower Theatre, Southampton to be announced shortly.

Principal casting

Please note, casting is subject to change. Please see www.ballet.org.uk for up to date casting.

Song of the Earth / La Sylphide
Manchester Palace Theatre
Wednesday 11 – Saturday 14 October

Song of the Earth

(in the order of Lead Lady, Lead Man, Messenger)

Wednesday 11 October

Tamara Rojo*, Joseph Caley†*, Jeffrey Cirio††*

Thursday 12 October (matinee)

Fernanda Oliveira*, Aitor Arrieta*, Ken Saruhashi*

Thursday 12 October

Erina Takahashi*, Isaac Hernández†*, Jeffrey Cirio††

Friday 13 October

Jurgita Dronina†*, Skyler Martin*, Aaron Robison†*

Saturday 14 October (matinee)

Fernanda Oliveira, Aitor Arrieta, Ken Saruhashi

Saturday 14 October

Tamara Rojo, Joseph Caley†, Aaron Robison†

La Sylphide

(in the order of La Sylphide and James)

Wednesday 11 October

Jurgita Dronina†* and Isaac Hernández†*

Thursday 12 October (matinee)

Alison McWhinney* and Aaron Robison†*

Thursday 12 October

Rina Kanehara* and Joseph Caley†*

Friday 13 October

Erina Takahashi* and Jeffrey Cirio††*

Saturday 14 October (matinee)

Rina Kanehara and Ciro Tamayo*

Saturday 14 October

Jurgita Dronina† and Isaac Hernández†

Song of the Earth / La Sylphide Milton Keynes Theatre Tuesday 17 – Saturday 21 October

Song of the Earth

(in the order of Lead Lady, Lead Man, Messenger)

Tuesday 17 October

Tamara Rojo, Joseph Caley†, Aaron Robison†

Wednesday 18 October

Jurgita Dronina, Skyler Martin, Aaron Robison†

Thursday 19 October (matinee)

Fernanda Oliveira, Aitor Arrieta, Ken Saruhashi

Thursday 19 October

Erina Takahashi, Isaac Hernández†, Jeffrey Cirio††

Friday 20 October

Tamara Rojo, Joseph Caley†, Aaron Robison†

Saturday 21 October (matinee)

Fernanda Oliveira, Skyler Martin, Ken Saruhashi

Saturday 21 October

Erina Takahashi, Isaac Hernández†, Jeffrey Cirio††

La Sylphide

(in the order of La Sylphide and James)

Tuesday 17 October

Erina Takahashi and Jeffrey Cirio††

Wednesday 18 October

Alison McWhinney and Aitor Arrieta

Thursday 19 October (matinee)

Rina Kanehara and Ciro Tamayo

Thursday 19 October

Alison McWhinney and Aaron Robison†

Friday 20 October

Rina Kanehara and Isaac Hernández†

Saturday 21 October (matinee)

Alison McWhinney and Aitor Arrieta

Saturday 21 October

Shiori Kase±* and Joseph Caley†

Akram Khan's Giselle Liverpool Empire Wednesday 25 – Saturday 28 October

(in order of Giselle, Albrecht, Hilarion, Myrtha)

Wednesday 25 October

Tamara Rojo, James Streeter, Jeffrey Cirio††, Stina Quagebeur

Thursday 26 October (matinee)

Fernanda Oliveira, Aitor Arrieta, Ken Saruhashi, Sarah Kundi

Thursday 26 October

Erina Takahashi, Isaac Hernández†, Oscar Chacon, Stina Quagebeur

Friday 27 October

Fernanda Oliveira, Aitor Arrieta, Ken Saruhashi, Sarah Kundi

Saturday 28 October (matinee)

Erina Takahashi, Isaac Hernández†, Oscar Chacon, Sarah Kundi

Saturday 28 October

Tamara Rojo, James Streeter, Jeffrey Cirio††, Stina Quagebeur

Romeo & Juliet Bristol Hippodrome Tuesday 21 – Saturday 25 November

(in the order of Juliet and Romeo)

Tuesday 21 November

Jurgita Dronina† and Aaron Robison†

Wednesday 22 November

Erina Takahashi and Jeffrey Cirio††*

Thursday 23 November (matinee)

Begona Cao and James Forbat

Thursday 23 November

Alison McWhinney and Joseph Caley†*

Friday 24 November

Jurgita Dronina† and Aaron Robison†

Saturday 25 November (matinee)

Alison McWhinney and Joseph Caley†

Saturday 25 November

Erina Takahashi and Jeffrey Cirio††

*Debut in the role with English National Ballet †Sponsored by the Aud Jebsen International Talent Programme ††Guest Artists sponsored by Aud Jebsen ±Backes & Strauss Brand Ambassador

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