

English National Ballet

The Sleeping Beauty

London Coliseum

Wednesday 06 June – Saturday 16 June 2018

Tickets: from £14

Box Office: 020 7845 9300 or www.ballet.org.uk/sleeping-beauty

- Maria Alexandrova to guest with English National Ballet in *The Sleeping Beauty*

This summer **English National Ballet** presents **Kenneth MacMillan's *The Sleeping Beauty*** at the **London Coliseum** (06 June - 16 June).

With stunning sets by Peter Farmer and elaborate costumes by Nicholas Georgiadis, this classical version of the fairy-tale ballet features Tchaikovsky's ravishing score played live by English National Ballet Philharmonic. This revival of *The Sleeping Beauty* coincides with the recent anniversary of MacMillan's death, and follows the Company's performances of MacMillan's masterpiece *Song of the Earth* in the autumn/winter.

Bringing world class talent to UK audiences, English National Ballet's performances of *The Sleeping Beauty* will see world-renowned ballet star, **Maria Alexandrova**, guest with the Company in the role of Princess Aurora.

Born in Moscow, Alexandrova trained at the Moscow Choreographic Academy. She won Gold Medal at the Moscow International Ballet Competition in 1997 and joined the Bolshoi Ballet shortly after, becoming Principal in 2004. These performances mark the first time Alexandrova has danced with a UK Company.

Alongside performances of *The Sleeping Beauty*, English National Ballet will host a range of workshops and events, aimed to provide a gateway into the world of ballet. Activities include **on-stage workshops** for all ages, **Live Drawing**, **Family Events**, and **behind-the-scenes talks**. For more details, see www.ballet.org.uk/whats-on

Alexandrova's performance dates and full Principal casting to be announced shortly.

Press night: Wednesday 06 June, 7.30pm

For further information, interview requests and images please contact:

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For further information about English National Ballet and to book tickets visit www.ballet.org.uk Please note performance details are subject to change.

Notes to editors:

Listings information:

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