

# Aaron S. Watkin and Arielle Smith's

# Nutcracker

17 December 2025 at 7pm **London Coliseum** 

This performance runs for 2 hours including one interval We hope this festive performance of Nutcracker fills you with delight, awakens your sense of wonder, or transports you to a realm where anything is possible.

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**Choreography and Concept** 

Aaron S. Watkin and Arielle Smith

Music

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

**Lighting Design** Paul Pyant

Set and Costume Design, Concept

Dick Bird

Video Design Leo Flint

Illusion Design and Direction

John Bulleid

**English National Ballet Philharmonic** 

**Music Director and Conductor** 

Maria Seletskaja

Leader

Matthew Scrivener

## **Protagonists**

Clara (child)

Heather Bain

Clara (adolescent)

Ivana Bueno

Drosselmeuer

Junor Souza

**Nutcracker Prince** 

Paulo Rodrigues

**Nutcracker Doll** 

Rhys Antoni Yeomans

Sugar Plum Fairy^/Mrs Stahlbaum

Sangeun Lee

Sugar Plum Cavalier/Dr Stahlbaum

Gareth Haw

Isolde, Ice Queen/Clara's eccentric

aunt

Anna Nevzorova

Rat King/Uromys Grimsewer the cheese broker

James Streeter

Prologue and Act I

**Chimney Sweeps** 

Miguel Angel Maidana Rhys Antoni Yeomans

Suffragettes

Isabelle Brouwers

Sarah Hirsch

Freddie and Louise, Clara's siblings

**Ernest Naughton** 

Fina-Rae Kliewe

Grandparents

Laura Hussey

Shevelle Dynott

**Maid and Butler** 

Eireen Evrard

Sacha Venkatasawmy

**Knight in Shining Armour Doll and** his Fair Maiden Doll

**Ashley Coupal** Rodrigo Pinto\* Drosselmeyer's assistants / Street Stall sellers / Party guests / Rats / Soldiers / Icicles and Snowflakes

Artists of the Company, Students of English National Ballet School, Royal Ballet School and Tring Park School for the Performing Arts, Guest Artists

Street Children / Party Guests / Baby Mice / Gingerbread Cookies / **Christmas Tree Ornaments** 

Students of Adagio School of Dance and Tring Park School of Performing Arts

\*Debut in role









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#### Act II

#### Turrón

(Spanish nougat)

Precious Adams, Skyler Martin Alice Bellini, Henry Dowden Ashley Coupal, Eric Snyder

#### Sahlab

(Egyptian hot orchid root milk with cinnamon) Minju Kang Zai Calliste Jose María Lorca Menchón

#### Tanghulu

(Chinese candied hawthorn berries) Miguel Angel Maidana Rhys Antoni Yeomans

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#### Makivnyk

(Ukrainian poppyseed roll) Noam Durand Elliott Martin, Sacha Venkatasawmy, Jean-Loup Visconti, Denis Teixiera

#### Marzipan-Zwiebelflöten

(German marzipan flutes) Jung ah Choi Georgia Bould, Carolyne Galvao, Chloe Keneally, Swanice Luong

### **Liquorice Allsorts**

Thiago Silva Laura Hussey (Head of Box) Students of Adagio School of Dance

### Waltz of Buttercream Roses Clara (adolescent)

Ivana Bueno

**Nutcracker Prince** 

Paulo Rodrigues

**Demi Soloists** 

Eireen Evrard, Tara Millard, Betsy Smith, Anna-Babette Winkler

Corps de Ballet

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## Sugar Plum Fairy<sup>^</sup>

Emma Hawes

Sugar Plum Cavalier

Aitor Arrieta

#### **Finale**

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