

## Aaron S. Watkin and Arielle Smith's

# Nutcracker

20 December 2025 at 7.30pm 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)

Katja Khaniukova

Drosselmeyer

Fabian Reimair

**Nutcracker Prince** 

Miguel Angel Maidana

**Nutcracker Doll** 

Rodrigo Pinto

Sugar Plum Fairy^/Mrs Stahlbaum

Emma Hawes

Sugar Plum Cavalier/Dr Stahlbaum

Aitor Arrieta

Isolde, Ice Queen/Clara's eccentric

aunt

Anna Nevzorova

Rat King/Uromys Grimsewer the cheese broker

Rentaro Nakaaki

**Prologue and Act I** 

**Chimney Sweeps** 

Luke Jones Rodrigo Pinto

**Suffragettes** 

Maddison Willmot

Sarah Hirsch

Freddie and Louise, Clara's siblings

Ernest Naughton Fina-Rae Kliewe

Grandparents

Laura Hussey Shevelle Dynott

Maid and Butler

Lucinda Strachan Sacha Venkatasawmy

Knight in Shining Armour Doll and

his Fair Maiden Doll

Alice Bellini

Rhys Antoni Yeomans

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, Henry Dowden Eireen Evrard, Jakob Wheway Hughes Minju Kang, Skyler Martin

#### Sahlab

(Egyptian hot orchid root milk with cinnamon) Anri Sugiura Zai Calliste Junor Souza

#### Tanghulu

(Chinese candied hawthorn berries) Luke Jones Rodrigo Pinto

#### Makivnyk

(Ukrainian poppyseed roll) Noam Durand Yuki Chikai, Antonio Cortese, Kaede Nakajima, Sacha Venkatasawmy

#### Marzipan-Zwiebelflöten

(German marzipan flutes) Swanice Luong Emilia Cadorin, Thalina Chapin, Chloe Keneally, Adriana Lizardi

#### **Liquorice Allsorts**

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

# Waltz of Buttercream Roses Clara (adolescent)

Katja Khaniukova

**Nutcracker Prince** 

Miguel Angel Maidana

**Demi Soloists** 

Jung ah Choi, Ashley Coupal, Hatice Çağla Ertürk, Tara Millard

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## Sugar Plum Fairy^

Emma Hawes

Sugar Plum Cavalier

Aitor Arrieta

#### Finale

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