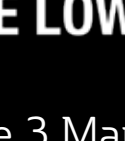




**BIRMINGHAM  
ROYAL BALLET**

Director David Bintley CBE



**THE LOWRY**

Saturday matinee 3 March 2018

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## The Sleeping Beauty

*Music* Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

*Choreography* Marius Petipa, Peter Wright

*Production* Peter Wright

*Designs* Philip Prowse

*Lighting* Mark Jonathan re-created by

Peter Teigen

**King Florestan XXIV** Jonathan Payn

**His Queen** Arancha Baselga

**Princess Aurora** Maureya Lebowitz

**Prince Florimund** Lachlan Monaghan

**Catalabutte, Master of Ceremonies**

Rory Mackay

**The Fairy Carabosse** Samara Downs

**The Lilac Fairy** Jenna Roberts

### PROLOGUE

**The Fairy of Beauty** Brooke Ray

**Her Cavalier** Max Maslen

**The Fairy of Honour** Jade Heusen

**Her Cavalier** Kit Holder

**The Fairy of Modesty** Yvette Knight

**Her Cavalier** Valentin Olovyannikov

**The Fairy of Song** Karla Doorbar

**Her Cavalier** James Barton

**The Fairy of Temperament** Ruth Brill

**Her Cavalier** Harry Wright

**The Fairy of Joy** Alys Shee

**Her Cavalier** Yasuo Atsuji

**Carabosse Attendants**

Billy Brooke, Aitor Galende, Sebastian Loe,

Brogan McKelvey, Gus Payne, Hamish Scott

**Lilac Fairy Attendants**

Laura Day, Reina Fuchigami,

Yu Kurihari, Rachele Pizzillo,

Lynsey Sutherland, Jade Wallace

**Ladies-in-waiting, Court Ladies,**

**Court Gentlemen, Royal Attendants,**

**Heralds, Guards, Nurses**

Artists of Birmingham Royal Ballet

### INTERVAL

### ACT I

**Four Princes**

Feargus Campbell, Brandon Lawrence,

César Morales, Edivaldo Souza da Silva

**Princess Aurora's Friends**

Laura Day, Karla Doorbar, Reina Fuchigami,

Jade Heusen, Laura Purkiss, Yaoqian Shang

**Garland Dance**

Ruth Brill, Yvette Knight, Anna Monleon,

Brooke Ray, Alys Shee, Yijing Zhang,

Tim Dutson, Haoliang Feng, Miles Gilliver,

Kit Holder, Max Maslen, Harry Wright

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**SHORT PAUSE: THE AUDIENCE IS REQUESTED TO REMAIN SEATED**

### ACT II

**The Countess** Daria Stanculescu

**Gallison, the Prince's Aide**

Valentin Olovyannikov

**Ladies and Gentlemen of the Hunt,**

**Nymphs, Ladies-in-waiting, Court Ladies and**

**Gentlemen, Hunt Attendants, Musicians,**

**Guards, Nurses**

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### INTERVAL

### ACT III

**Pas de quatre**

Yvette Knight, Alys Shee,

Haoliang Feng, Miles Gilliver

**Puss-in-Boots and the White Cat**

Hamish Scott, Daria Stanculescu

**The Bluebird and the Enchanted Princess**

Max Maslen, Yaoqian Shang

**Red Riding Hood and the Wolf**

Jade Heusen, Tom Rogers

**Grand pas de deux**

Maureya Lebowitz, Lachlan Monaghan

**Attendants, Guards**

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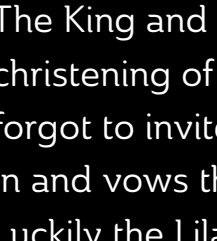
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### Royal Ballet Sinfonia

Conductor Koen Kessels; Leader Robert Gibbs



#### Approximate timings

*Prologue* 34 minutes

*Interval* 15 minutes

*Act I* 29 minutes

*Pause* 3 minutes

*Act II* 32 minutes

*Interval* 15 minutes

*Act III* 40 minutes

*The performance will end at approximately 4.50pm*

### The Story

#### PROLOGUE

The King and Queen have invited all the fairies to the christening of their daughter, Princess Aurora. They forgot to invite the evil fairy Carabosse, who storms in and vows that Aurora will prick her finger and die. Luckily the Lilac Fairy changes the spell and promises that Aurora will not die. Instead she will fall into a deep sleep and be woken after one hundred years by the kiss of a handsome Prince.

#### ACT I

It is Princess Aurora's 16th birthday and four princes arrive to try to win her heart. An old woman gives Aurora a bunch of flowers. Hidden in the flowers is a spindle. Aurora pricks her finger and falls to the ground. The old woman throws back her cloak, its Carabosse! She announces that her curse has come true and Aurora will die. The Lilac Fairy arrives and casts a spell to send everyone to sleep. She grows a tangled forest hiding the palace from view.

#### ACT II

100 years later, a young Prince is hunting in the forest. He's dreaming of finding his one true love. To his amazement, the Lilac Fairy appears and shows him a vision of a Sleeping Beauty. He immediately falls in love with her and begs the Lilac Fairy to take him to the Sleeping Beauty. They set off through the tangled wood to the palace. When the Prince reaches the palace he finds Aurora and wakes her with a kiss.

#### ACT III

The Prince and Princess Aurora are married and amongst the guests are characters from different fairytales. Puss in Boots and the Bluebirds dance beautifully for the wedding guests, along with Little Red Riding Hood and the Big Bad Wolf. They congratulate the bride and groom, and the whole court joins in a dance of celebration as the Lilac Fairy arrives and blesses the marriage. The Prince and Princess dance a wonderful *pas de deux* and they live happily ever after.