

The Nutcracker

WHEN AND WHERE

Thursday, 4 December 2025
Kiri Te Kanawa Theatre, Aotea Centre, Auckland

Principal Cast

Clara Cadence Barrack	Nutcracker Doll / Prince Laurynas Vėjalis	Sugar Plum Fairy Mayu Tanigaito	Auntie Drosselmeyer Kirby Selchow
Koro Moana Nepia *	Mrs Stahlbaum Olivia Platt	Mr Stahlbaum Joshua Guillemot-Rodgers	Fritz Parker Poppleton ^
Mouse King Luke Cooper	Storm Master Kihiro Kusakami	Pohutukawa Flower Kate Kadow	

The Party

PARENTS			
Gretchen Steimle	Jemima Scott	Luke Cooper	Zacharie Dun

CLARA'S FRIENDS			
Ema Takahashi	Tessa Karle	Dane Head	Jake Gisby

FRITZ'S FRIENDS			
Mason Zhou ^	Benji Chen ^	Archie Cann ^	Giselle Weng ^
Hanna Xia ^	Kristen Grant ^		

BIRDS		
Tui Jennifer Ulloa	Kereru Shaun James Kelly	

The Battle

FERRETS	
Jake Gisby	Dane Head

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† Student seconded from the New Zealand School of Dance
‡ Dancer contracted for the Nutcracker season only
^ Child Extra

STOATS

Charlotte Willis Tessa Karle

POSSUMS

Ruby Ryburn Hilary An-Roddie Ema Takahashi

SOLDIERS

Angus O'Connell Joshua Douglas Timothy Ching Callahan Laird

Jordan Sawtell

The Land of the Snow

SNOWFLAKES

Charlotte Willis Ema Takahashi Olivia Platt Ruby Ryburn

Hilary An-Roddie Tessa Karle Jennifer Ulloa Rose Xu

Lyn Lin Gretchen Steimle Breyah Takitimu ‡ Jemima Scott

The Land of the Sweets

CHOCOLATE FISH

Jennifer Ulloa Shaun James Kelly

HOKEY POKEY

Cadence Barrack Hannah Thomson

LOLLY SLICE

Dane Head Timothy Ching Jake Gisby

PAVLOVA

Gretchen Steimle Calum Gray Tessa Karle

FLOWERS

Kōwhai Lyn Lin Sama Rowe Charlotte Willis
Hilary An-Roddie

Kōwhai **Mañuka** **Mañuka** **Mañuka**
Olivia Platt Rose Xu Breyah Takitimu ‡ Jemima Scott

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Supporting cast



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Violin 1

Monique Lapins
Miranda Adams
Natalia Harvey
Joella Pinto-Roberts
Owen Ruff
Lucy Qi Zhang
Gill Ripley
Jessica Alloway
Christine Haeun Lee
Clare Geho
Daniel Tan
Alexander Shapkin
Ainsley Murray

Violin 2

Minglun Liu
Rachel Moody
William Hanfling
Hanny Lee
Kate Walshe
Lydia Sewell
Jocelyn Healy
Ewa Sadag
John Han
Milena Parobczy

Viola

Robert Ashworth
Julie Park
Shek Wan Li
Sue Wedde
Benjamin Harrison
Isabella Bignasca
Anne Draffin
Yuxin Chen

Cello

Ashley Brown
David Garner
Chen Cao
Begonia Chan
Liliya Arefyeva
Katherine Hebley
Martin Roberts

Double Bass

Gordon Hill
John Mietus
Evgeny Lanchtchikov
Adrian Whitehall
Michael Steer
Eric Scholes

Flute

Melanie Lançon
Luca Manghi
Jenni Seddon-Mori

Oboe

Camille Wells
Milli Manins
Nicholas Tisherman
Kira Shiner

Clarinet

Jonathan Cohen
James Fry
Bridget Miles

Bassoon

Ingrid Hagan
Rachel Guan Ebbett
Sam Brough

Horn

Gaby Pho
Carl Wells
Drew Morgan
Taran Plamondon
David Kay
Thomas Vienna

Trumpet

Huw Dann
Jonah Levy
Louisa Trewartha

Trombone

Doug Cross
Ben Lovell Greene
Tim Sutton

Tuba

Alex Jeantou

Timpani

Steve Logan

Percussion

Eric Renick
Jenny Raven
Dominic Jacquemard

Harp

Ingrid Bauer

Keyboard

Noelle Dannenbring

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Performance Schedule

Approximately 1 hour and 40 minutes including one 20 minute interval.
A 15 minute lockout period applies to each act of the performance.
Smoke, haze and lighting effects will be used during this performance.

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