

SACRAMENTO BALLET

SLEEPING BEAUTY

SYNOPSIS

PROLOGUE

Our story begins at the castle of King Florestan and his Queen, as they celebrate the joyful arrival of their baby Aurora. Fairies arrive to bless and bestow the gifts of Beauty, Generosity, Charm, Song, and Temperament upon the child. But the celebration takes a turn when the evil fairy Carabosse arrives with her Monsters, after realizing that she was mistakenly uninvited. Carabosse, angry with the King and Queen for the embarrassment of being forgotten, curses Aurora to die by a spindle prick on her 16th birthday. Luckily, the all-powerful Lilac Fairy is able to soften the curse:

Aurora will sleep until awakened by true love's kiss.

~pause~

ACT I

On Aurora's 16th birthday, the kingdom gathers together in joyful celebration. Aurora dances with her Suitors, and excitedly accepts flowers from a kind guest who is new to the castle. Unbeknownst to Aurora, the guest is Carabosse in disguise. Aurora subsequently pricks her finger on the cursed spindle hidden in a bouquet of flowers. The court's worst fears of Aurora's imminent death are realized, but the Lilac Fairy reassures everyone Aurora is shielded by her protective magic. The Lilac Fairy proceeds to cast a spell over the entire castle, inducing everyone to a century's long slumber.

~intermission~

ACT II

One hundred years later, Prince Désiré is hunting with his attendants in the woods. He contemplates his future, and realizes something is missing from his life. Just then the Lilac Fairy appears. She shows him a vision of a Sleeping Beauty named Aurora, and he falls instantly in love. He begs the Lilac Fairy to take him to her. Upon arrival at the castle, the Prince and his party encounter Carabosse and her Monsters, who are ready to defend their spell. Yet True Love's Kiss breaks the spell, banishing Carabosse and her Monsters far away. Aurora is awakened and is embraced by her True Love, the Prince

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ACT III

A radiant wedding celebration unfolds for Aurora and Prince Désiré. Beloved fairytale figures of the realm gather to dance in honor of the couple. The celebration culminates in a luminous *pas de deux* between the betrothed. Thereafter, Princess Aurora and Prince Désiré are united in marriage.

They live happily ever after.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026 - 7:30PM PERFORMANCE

PRODUCTION CREDITS & CAST OF CHARACTERS

Choreography: **Stefan Calka & Elise Elliott, after Marius Petipa**

Music: **Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, played by Sacramento Philharmonic & Opera Conductor: Marc Taddei**

Scenic & Costume Design: **Peter Docherty** Lighting Design: **Benjamin Gantose**

Stage Manager: **Erin Joy Swank** Assistant Stage Manager: **Olga Korolev** Technical Director: **Timothy McNamara**
Sleeping Beauty scenery and costumes courtesy of Charlotte Ballet. Alejandro Cerrudo, Artistic Director.

PRINCIPAL CHARACTERS

Princess Aurora: **Isabella Velasquez**

Lilac Fairy: **Michelle Katcher**

PROLOGUE

King: Roo Jacobsen

Queen: Ava Chatterson

Catalabutte: Rhodes Elliott

Beauty Fairy: Jennifer Watembach

Beauty Cavalier: Dylan Keane

Generosity Fairy: Florrie Geller

Generosity Cavalier: Richard Smith

Charm Fairy: Mia Steedle

Charm Cavalier: Enrico Hipolito

Song Fairy: Julia Payne

Song Cavalier: Ugo Frediani

Temperament Fairy: Ava Grace Williams

Temperament Cavalier: James Griffen

Lilac Cavalier: Maxence Devaux

Lilac Fairy Attendants: Mia Bertodatti, Myla Calhoun, Maile

Fitzgerald, Jade Janikula, Isabella Morales, Luna Quaglia

Monsters: Darius Anagnos, Eduardo Cazarez,

Juan Negreira, Seungkyun Park

Nurse: Ana Smith

Court Women: Abby Burnette, Lily Kingsbury, Isabel Perrodon

Court Men: Jadon Branner, Noah St. Denis,

Aaron Williamson

Fairy Attendants*: Florence Brownsey, Annie Elliott,

Liliana Lechowick, Alexandra Ohanian,

Aria Mojadedi, Juliet Thompson

King's Pages*: Matthew Inton, Wally Stefanki

Heralds*: Felix Martinez, Konrad Milliron, Alonzo Ramirez

Prince Désiré: **Wyatt McConville-McCoy**

Carabosse: **Sarah Joan Smith**

ACT I

Suitors: Maxence Devaux, Enrico Hipolito, Dylan Keane, Richard Smith

Girlfriends: Adalyn Cawthon, Maile Fitzgerald, Florrie Geller, Isabella Morales, Julia Payne, Mia Steedle, Ava Grace Williams, Kenzie Woodward

Garland Dancers: Margaret Benson, Mia Bertodatti, Logan Betts, Myla Calhoun, Jade Janikula, Emilie Kaiser, Luna Quaglia, Keira Rawlings, Tegan Smith, Ingrid Sommerer

Garland Children*: Julia Avila, Amelie Benyamino, Isla Braun, Addy Donato, Allie Heng, Rachael Hsu, Maya Julie, Kate Kurlinski, Parker Louie, Sophia Magnan, Zoe Nienow, Stella Somera

ACT II

Gallison: Eduardo Cazarez

Countess: Mia Steedle

Dukes: Dylan Keane, Juan Negreira, Richard Smith

Duchesses: Julia Payne, Hiyori Ushikubo, Kenzie Woodward

Nymphs: Mia Bertodatti, Myla Calhoun, Adalyn Cawthon, Maile Fitzgerald, Jade Janikula, Emilie Kaiser, Isabella Morales, Julia Payne, Keira Rawlings, Mia Steedle, Ava Grace Williams, Kenzie Woodward

Servants*: Felix Martinez, Konrad Milliron

ACT III

Pas de Quatre: Mia Steedle, Jennifer Watembach, Enrico Hipolito, Dylan Keane

Puss 'N Boots: James Griffen

White Cat: Kenzie Woodward

Bluebird: Seungkyun Park

Princess Florine: Ava Grace Williams

Wolf: William Mattson

Little Red Riding Hood: Julia Payne

Mazurka Women: Logan Betts, Myla Calhoun, Maile Fitzgerald, Florrie Geller, Jade Janikula, Luna Quaglia

Mazurka Men: Darius Anagnos,

Jadon Branner, Eduardo Cazarez,

Ugo Frediani, Richard Smith,

Aaron Williamson

Lilac Fairy Attendants: Margaret

Benson, Abby Burnette, Lily

Kingsbury, Isabel Perrodon

Court Women: Mira Nioce, Ingrid Sommerer, Ivy Watts

Court Men*: Konrad Milliron, Alonzo Ramirez, Felix Martinez

Kittens*: Amaya Bouzid, Maeve Dickson, Ella Edwards, Clementine Khoo, Florence Whedbee, Eliana Wiebold

Queen's Attendants*: Peyton Cortez, Audrey Despotes, Claire Elliott, Shoshana Gumb, Bridget Lin, Kailah Norvell, Zoe Soloway, Elena Wynne

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*Denotes roles featuring students from School of Sacramento Ballet