

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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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 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: **Jennifer Watembach**

Lilac Fairy: **Sarah Joan Smith**

Prince Désiré: **Wyatt McConville-McCoy**

Carabosse: **Isabella Velasquez**

PROLOGUE

King: Roo Jacobsen

Queen: Ava Chatterson

Catalabutte: Rhodes Elliott

Beauty Fairy: Kenzie Woodward

Beauty Cavalier: Dylan Keane

Generosity Fairy: Ava Grace Williams

Generosity Cavalier: Darius Anagnos

Charm Fairy: Mia Steedle

Charm Cavalier: Eduardo Cazarez

Song Fairy: Julia Payne

Song Cavalier: Ugo Frediani

Temperament Fairy: Michelle Katcher

Temperament Cavalier: James Griffen

Lilac Cavalier: Maxence Devaux

Lilac Fairy Attendants: Mia Bertodatti, Myla Calhoun, Maile Fitzgerald, Jade Janikula, Isabella Morales, Luna Quaglia

Monsters: William Mattson, Juan Negreira, Seungkyun Park, Aaron Williamson

Nurse: Ana Smith

Court Women: Logan Betts, Kiera Rawlings, Tegan Smith

Court Men: Jadon Branner, Noah St. Denis,

Fairy Attendants*: Sabrina Davis, Lane Girard, Emilia Kivetos, London Leonardo, Penny Puente, Willow Ralph

King's Pages*: Lucas Luong, Zach Nienow

Heralds*: Felix Martinez, Konrad Milliron, Alonzo Ramirez

ACT I

Suitors: Maxence Devaux, James Griffen, Enrico Hipolito, Dylan Keane,

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

Garland Dancers: Margaret Benson, Abby Burnette, Myla Calhoun, Jade Janikula, Emilie Kaiser, Isabel Perrodon, Luna Quaglia, Ana Smith, Ingrid Sommerer, Ivy Watts

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: James Griffen

Countess: Mia Steedle

Dukes: Maxence Devaux, Ugo Frediani, William Mattson

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: Florrie Geller, James Griffen, Richard Smith, Ava Grace Williams

Puss 'N Boots: William Mattson

White Cat: Mia Steedle

Bluebird: Eduardo Cazarez

Princess Florine: Michelle Katcher

Wolf: Maxence Devaux

Little Red Riding Hood:

Kenzie Woodward

Mazurka Women: Myla Calhoun, Maile Fitzgerald, Jade Janikula, Isabella Morales, Julia Payne, Luna Quaglia

Mazurka Men: Darius Anagnos, Dylan Keane, Juan Negreira, Seungkyun Park, Noah St. Denis, 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*: Adelle Drobomiku, Clementine Khoo, Eden Vanderdrift, Mia Vlasenko, Florence Whedbee, Eliana Wiebold

Queen's Attendants*: Sofia Aleksandrova, Peyton Cortez, Kalela Dondro, Sailor Freed, Everly Green, Annaliese Gonzalez, Justine St. John, Lyra Pacheco

MUSICIAN ROSTER



*Denotes roles featuring students from School of Sacramento Ballet

ARTIST PROFILES

