

**HaoExpression**

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**WINTER EXPRESSION 2023**

Artistic Director Mikhael Plain  
Founding Director Hao Bach-Thai Lückhoff  
Choreographers, Repetiteurs Hao Bach-Thai Lückhoff, Bryn Graham,  
Erin McMahon, Omni Pipit-Suksun,  
Mikhael Plain, Dawn Sue, Tian Tan  
Costume & Property Director Mary Masee  
Sound Editor Wanyue Song  
Lighting Designer Hao Bach-Thai Lückhoff  
Photographer Terry Martin  
Videographer Bo Song  
House Managers Christine Lee | Hideko Sakomoto

**SLEEPING BEAUTY** Music by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky, Original  
Choreography by Marius Petipa, Adapted by:

King Florestan, Queen, Carabosse, Lilac Fairy  
**Prologue - The Baptism** Hao Bach Thai Lückhoff  
**Act I - The Spell** Omni Pipit-Suksun

Knitting Laydies Bryn Graham, Erin McMahon  
Princess Aurora Act I Variation Erin McMahon  
Princess Aurora Entrance Variation Tian Tan  
Aurora's Friends Hao Bach Thai Lückhoff  
Rose Adagio Erin McMahon  
The Sleep Hao Bach Thai Lückhoff

**Act II - The Vision**

Blue Bird and Princess Florinne Omni Pipit-Suksun  
Lilac Fairy and Prince Désiré Tian Tan  
Princess Aurora and Prince Désiré Erin McMahon  
Princess Aurora Act II Erin McMahon  
Prince Désiré Mikhael Plain  
Forest Hao Bach Thai Lückhoff  
The Wake Up Hao Bach Thai Lückhoff, Tian Tan  
**Act III - The Wedding** Omni Pipit-Suksun

**LE CORSAIRE** Music by Adolphe Adam, Original  
Choreography by Joseph Mazilier and Marius  
Petipa, Adapted by:

Medora Entrance Bryn Graham, Tian Tan  
Odalisques Entrance Hao Bach Thai Lückhoff  
1st Odalisque Erin McMahon, Dawn Sue  
2nd Odalisque Dawn Sue  
3rd Odalisque Mikhael Plain, Dawn Sue  
Pas d'Esclave Entrance Mikhael Plain  
Pas d'Esclave Adagio Tian Tan  
Pas d'Esclave: Lan'khadam Hao Bach Thai Lückhoff  
Pas d'Esclave: Gulnara Bryn Graham, Dawn Sue  
Medora Act III Tian Tan  
Grand Pas: Ali Tian Tan  
Grand Pas: Medora, Gamzatti Version Tian Tan  
Jardin Animé: Gulnara Mikhael Plain, Dawn Sue

**WAXING** Music by London Dance Collective, Amir  
Handpan Music, Original Choreography by  
Mikhael Plain

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PRESENTS

WINTER *Expression* 2023

*Sleeping Beauty* SUITE

*Le Corsaire* EXCERPTS

SUN NOV 5, 2023

1:30 PM & 4:00 PM

CUBBERLEY THEATER

PALO ALTO, CA

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## CAST

Show 1 | Show 2

### SLEEPING BEAUTY

King Len Dulski  
Queen Kaori Sakurai  
Nurse Annette Silsby Hughes  
Carabosse Fairy Mary Masee  
Lilac Fairy Abby Yau | Mariah Obberlin

### Prologue - The Baptism

Candide Fairy Victoria Williams  
Coulante Fairy Brianna Hagen  
Miettes Fairy Takako Nuno | Roni Kraft  
Violente Fairy Tianjia Chen | Stephanie Ma  
Lilac Fairy Clémence Lepold | Tianjia Chen

### Act I - The Spell

Knitting Ladies Hiromi Kagawa, Aki Nakao, Takao Nuno, Susan Wilturner  
Princess Aurora Act I Melanie Kushida  
Princess Aurora Entrance Roni Kraft  
Princess Aurora Adagio Julia Pan  
Princess Aurora Sleeps Rachel Deng  
Cavaliers Peter Chou, Sean Tyan  
Aurora's Friends Kristen Bautista, Jennifer Hargreaves, Di Huyen Ho, Annette Silsby Hughes, Melanie Kushida, Alice Lee, Mariah Oberlin, Pauline Prideaux, Cheryl Pulanco, Joy Robbins, Nathalie Sandraz, Susan Wilturner, Abby Yau, Yihan Zhang

### Act II - The Vision

Blue Bird and Princess Florine Kristen Bautista, Stephanie Ma  
Prince Désiré Anwen Hao  
Princess Aurora Pas d'Action Melanie Kushida  
Princess Aurora Act II Mariah Oberlin | Abby Yau  
Princess Aurora Wakeup Roni Kraft  
Forest Rachel Deng, Jennifer Hargreaves, Di Huyen Ho, Annette Silsby Hughes, Roni Kraft, Alice Lee, Pauline Prideaux, Cheryl Pulanco, Joy Robbins, Nathalie Sandraz, Susan Wilturner, Yihan Zhang

### Act III - The Wedding

Princess Aurora and Prince Désiré Tianjia Chen, Sean Tyan  
Red Riding Hood and the Wolf Takako Nuno, Chuan Yu Foo  
White Cat and Puss in Boot Yameng Liu, Chuan Yu Foo  
Silver Fairy Brianna Hagen | Victoria Williams  
Gold Fairy Kristen Bautista  
Sapphire Fairy Victoria Williams | Clémence Lepold  
Diamond Fairy Stephanie Ma  
Princess Florine and the Blue Bird Clémence Lepold, Sean Tyan | Brianna Hagen, Peter Chou  
Princess Aurora and Prince Désiré Tianjia Chen, Peter Chou | Sean Tyan

## LE CORSAIRE

Medora Act III Sophie Wang | Megan Chu  
Medora Entrance Haoyue Tang | Sophie Wang  
Odalisques Entrance Roni Kraft, Julia Pan, Cheryl Pulanco, Joy Robbins  
1st Odalisque Nathalie Sandraz | Takako Nuno  
2nd Odalisque Alexandra Yu | Megan Chu  
3rd Odalisque Megan Chu | Hiromi Kagawa  
Pas d'Esclave Entrance Peter Chou, Brianna Hagen  
Pas d'Esclave Adagio Len Dulski, Clémence Lepold  
Pas d'Esclave: Lan'khadam Cheng Xu  
Pas d'Esclave: Gulnara Hiromi Kagawa | Clémence Lepold  
Medora Act III Naomi Maeda  
Grand Pas: Ali Anwen Hao  
Grandd Pas: Medora, Gamzatti Version Haoyue Tang  
Jardin Animé: Gulnara Alexandra Yu

## WAXING

Yunjun Liu, Aki Nakao, Nathalie Sandraz, Abby Yau

## SLEEPING BEAUTY SYNOPSIS

### Prologue – The Baptism

The King and Queen celebrate the christening of their long-awaited first-born, Princess Aurora. They invited fairies from the nearby woods, each bestow a magical gift for the child: purity, joy, generosity, temperament.

The happy gathering is interrupted by an old fairy, whom the King and Queen had inadvertently forgotten to invite. Enraged for feeling spurned, Carabosse storms in to force her gift out of revenge. She pronounces that Aurora will one day prick her finger and die. The good-hearted Lilac Fairy is unable to stop this curse, but is able to promise that Aurora will instead fall into a deep sleep from which she can be awakened by a prince's kiss. And in a desperate effort to prevent the spell from happening, the King bans all needle works from the kingdom.

### Act I – The Spell

Despite the King's order, some craftswomen enjoy knitting in secret, but when they were found out they were chased away.

It is Aurora's 16th birthday. The King and Queen throw a party for their beloved daughter. All of Aurora's friends are present at the celebration. At the invitation of the king they and dance with the cavaliers while he shares a father-daughter dance with Aurora.

A mysterious cloaked guest arrives with a bouquet of flowers for Aurora. Unbeknownst to her, a sharp needle is hidden in the bouquet. As Aurora joyfully dances with the bouquet, she pricks her finger on that sharp needle. The guest then reveals herself as Carabosse, who has returned to trigger the curse promised 16 years earlier.

The Lilac Fairy appears. She reminds the King and Queen that Aurora is only sleeping, and casts a spell of sleep over the palace and all inside.

### Act II – The Vision

One hundred years have passed. While Prince Désiré wanders the forest, the Lilac Fairy appears and presents to him a vision of Princess Aurora. He pleads with her to take him to where the lovely vision sleeps. They journey together through the forest to the palace. The Prince awakens Aurora with a kiss. As the spell is broken, Aurora and the entire palace awake from their hundred-year slumber. Prince Désiré proposes to Aurora with the blessing of the King and Queen.

### Act III – The Wedding

Princess Aurora and Prince Désiré's wedding is celebrated in the presence of the Jewel Fairies and invited characters from other French fairy tales: Red Riding Hood, Puss in Boots and the White Cat, and Princess Florine and King Charming as the Blue bird.



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