

### MARIINSKY THEATRE

# Cinderella

FROM THE FAIRYTALE BY CHARLES PERRAULT

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Ballet in three acts | Music Sergei Prokofiev | Choreography Alexei Ratmansky (2002) General Manager and Musical Director Valery Gergiev Libretto Nikolai Volkov after motifs from the fairytale by Charles Perrault FILMED AT The Mariinsky Theatre – St-Petersburg IN June 2013 RUNNING TIME 1 X 170'



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#### ARTISTIC INFORMATION

#### DESCRIPTION

World premiere: 21 November 1945, Bolshoi Theatre, Moscow (choreography by Rostislav Zakharov) Premiere at the Kirov Theatre: 8 April 1946 (choreography by Konstantin Sergeyev) Premiere of Alexei Ratmansky's version: 5 March 2002

Ratmansky's production is attractive for its light and playful atmosphere, its irony and its self irony. The choreography successfully combines good traditions with inventiveness. A healthy sense of humour guarantees a "democratic feel" and intelligibility to the performance, the thirst for the acting finds a joyous response from the performers, and the exaggerated attention to stylistics gives the ballet a western gloss.

#### The Copenhagen Post

The choreographer has filled Charles Perrault's tale with links and various phenomena of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. We have seen much that is familiar from European ballet, from cinema, from the stage, from TV – but all together, the montage itself, bears a new meaning and a new vision of the changing world. **Peterburgsky Teatralny Zhurnal** 

#### SYNOPSIS

A wisful young woman, her cruel stepmother and stepsisters, a fairy godmother and her handsome prince: the classic story of Cinderella is a treat for all ages, now brought to life in the grand tradition of Russian ballet. Complete with a lavish set and sumptuous costumes, this production of Cinderella was originally choreographed by Rostislav Zakharov for the premiere of Sergei Prokofiev's glorious score at the Mariinsky Theater in 1945.

#### ARTISTIC STAFF

Musical Direction Valery Gergiev Choreography by Alexei Ratmansky | Sets Ilya Utkin and Yeveny Monakhov | Costumes Elena Markovskaya | Lighting Gleb Filshtinsky

CREDITS French / English

#### PRODUCTION

PRODUCTION COMPANIES The Mariinsky Theatre, Telmondis, with the support of CNC I ASSOCIATE PRODUCERS Antoine Perset – Denis Morlière I

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