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Casting Announced for *The Four Temperaments* & *Watch her* & *Glass Pieces*

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November 10, 2009 ... **Karen Kain**, Artistic Director of The National Ballet of Canada, today announced the principal casting for *The Four Temperaments* & *Watch her* & *Glass Pieces*, which opens on November 25, 2009 at the Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts.

On opening night, the lead roles in *The Four Temperaments* will be danced by **Zdenek Konvalina**, **Heather Ogden**, **Piotr Stanczyk**, **Aleksandar Antonijevic** and **Xiao Nan Yu**.

The world premiere of *Watch her* by acclaimed Canadian choreographer Aszure Barton will feature **Sonia Rodriguez**, **Bridgett Zehr** and **Heather Ogden**.

The lead roles in *Glass Pieces* will feature **Zdenek Konvalina**, **Bridgett Zehr**, **Tanya Howard**, **Keiichi Hirano**, **Tiffany Mosher**, **Patrick Lavoie**, **Krista Dowson** and **Etienne Lavigne**.

Principal Casting

The Four Temperaments

First Variation: Melancholic

Zdenek Konvalina (November 25 and 28 at 7:30 pm/ November 29 at 2:00 pm)

Keiichi Hirano (November 26 and 27 at 7:30 pm/ November 28 at 2:00 pm)

Second Variation: Sanguinic

Heather Ogden and Piotr Stanczyk (November 25 and 28 at 7:30 pm)

Stacey Shiori Minagawa and Richard Landry (November 26 at 7:30 pm/ November 28 at 2:00 pm)

Sonia Rodriguez and Aleksandar Antonijevic (November 27 at 7:30 pm/ November 29 at 2:00 pm)

Third Variation: Phlegmatic

Aleksandar Antonijevic (November 25 and 28 at 7:30 pm)

Nan Wang (November 26 at 7:30 pm/ November 28 at 2:00 pm)

Brett van Sickle (November 27 at 7:30 pm/ November 29 at 2:00 pm)

Fourth Variation: Choleric

Xiao Nan Yu (November 25 and 28 at 7:30 pm)

Stephanie Hutchison (November 26 at 7:30 pm/ November 28 at 2:00 pm)

Bridgett Zehr (November 27 at 7:30 pm/ November 29 at 2:00 pm)

Watch her

Sonia Rodriguez, **Bridgett Zehr** or **Xiao Nan Yu**, **Heather Ogden**

Kevin D. Bowles, **Wei Chen**, **Jordana Daumec**, **Naoya Ebe**, **Keiichi Hirano**, **Klara Houdet**, **Tanya Howard**, **Stephanie Hutchison**, **Lise-Marie Jourdain**, **Patrick Lavoie**, **James Leja**, **Elena Lobsanova**, **Noah Long**, **McGee Maddox**,

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Chelsy Meiss, Stacey Shiori Minagawa, Tiffany Mosher, Andreea Olteanu, Tina Pereira, Jonathan Renna, Rebekah Rimsay, Jenna Savella, James Shee, Christopher Stalzer, Robert Stephen, Brett van Sickle, Jillian Vanstone, Nan Wang, Joseph Welbes, Aarik Wells, Sarah Elena Wolff or Krista Dowson

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Glass Pieces

Rubric

Tanya Howard, Tiffany Mosher, Krista Dowson
Keiichi Hirano, Patrick Lavoie, Etienne Lavigne
(November 25, 27 and 28 at 7:30 pm)

Chelsy Meiss, Tina Pereira, Jordana Daumec
Brett van Sickle, Noah Long, Richard Landry
(November 26 at 7:30 pm/ November 28 and 29 at 2:00 pm)

Facades

Bridgett Zehr and Zdenek Konvalina (November 25 and 27 at 7:30 pm)
Xiao Nan Yu and Aleksandar Antonijevic (November 26 and 28 at 7:30 pm)
Tanya Howard and Etienne Lavigne (November 28 and 29 at 2:00 pm)

Casting is subject to change.

The Four Temperaments & Watch Her & Glass Pieces

Wednesday, November 25 at 7:30 pm
Thursday, November 26 at 7:30 pm
Friday, November 27 at 7:30 pm
Saturday, November 28 at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm
Sunday, November 29 at 2:00 pm

Tickets:

Prices range from \$20 to \$210.

Discount rates are available for groups of 10 people or more. Rush seats are available on the day of the performance in person at the box office for \$30.

DanceBreak members aged 16 to 29 can purchase \$25 tickets on the day of the performance, depending on availability. Visit DanceBreak.ca.

Venue:

Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts, 145 Queen Street West, Toronto.

Box Office:

The box office is located at the Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts (145 Queen Street West) or call 416 (toll free 1 866) 345 9595. Tickets can also be purchased online at national.ballet.ca.

Website: national.ballet.ca.

The 2009/10 season is presented by CTV and The Globe and Mail.

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BMO Financial Group presents *The Four Temperaments & Watch her & Glass Pieces*.

The Four Temperaments is a gift from THE VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE, THE NATIONAL BALLET OF CANADA.

Watch her is generously supported by Walter Carsen, O.C. and the Board of Directors of The National Ballet of Canada.

Glass Pieces is a gift from THE VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE, THE NATIONAL BALLET OF CANADA.

Performance Sponsors: Deloitte (November 26 at 7:30 pm) and CTV and The Globe and Mail (November 28 at 7:30 pm).

Zdenek Konvalina is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Gretchen Ross.

Bridgett Zehr is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Diana Weatherall.

Keiichi Hirano is sponsored through *Dancers First* by an anonymous donor.

Elena Lobsanova is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Sandra Faire & Ivan Fecan.

Noah Long is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Sandra Faire & Ivan Fecan.

Jenna Savella is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Elvio & Marlene DelZotto.

Robert Stephen is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Mr. Thor Eaton & The Honourable Nicole Eaton, Senator.

Klara Houdet is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Lucy White.

James Shee is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Mona & Harvey Levenstein.

Sarah Wolff is sponsored through *Dancers First* by Lynda & Jonas Prince.

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