

Onegin Returns March 2011

July 28, 2010... **Karen Kain**, Artistic Director of The National Ballet of Canada, today announced that *Onegin* will return March 17 to 20, 2011 for five performances only to the Four Seasons Centre for the Performing Arts. Featuring glorious new sets and costumes by **Santo Loquasto**, this triumphant production of *Onegin* brought audiences and critics alike to their feet last season.

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"4/4 stars – *Onegin* deserving of ovation" The Toronto Star, 2010

"this *Onegin* is pure magic" The National Post, 2010

"Visually, this production is a stunner... nothing short of a triumph" Toronto Sun, 2010

Ms. Kain says, "We had such an overwhelming response to *Onegin* in June with audiences returning again and again to take in this unforgettable production that we simply had to bring it back this season for a limited run."

Based on the narrative poem *Eugene Onegin* by **Alexander Pushkin**, *Onegin* is the story of unrequited love in the fated meeting of an innocent young girl with a cynical aristocrat. **John Cranko's** 1965 ballet adaptation employs his distinctive choreographic style to capture the original story's emotional intensity, drama and tragedy with striking fidelity and perceptiveness. Along with his great versions of Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* and *The Taming of the Shrew*, *Onegin* must rank as one of Cranko's – and modern ballet's – finest adaptations.

Onegin was staged for The National Ballet of Canada by Reid Anderson. Mr. Anderson was the Artistic Director of the National Ballet from 1989 until 1996 and is now Artistic Director of Stuttgart Ballet.

Onegin

Thursday, March 17 at 7:30 pm

Friday, March 18 at 7:30 pm

Saturday, March 19 at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm

Sunday, March 20 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 \$35.

DanceBreak members aged 16 to 29 can purchase \$35 tickets on the day of the performance, subject to availability. Visit DanceBreak.ca

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Heather Ogden, Piotr Stanczyk, Sonia Rodriguez, Aleksandar Antonijevic, Bridgett Zehr, Guillaume Côté, Xiao Nan Yu, Zdenek Konvalina, Greta Hodgkinson. Photos by Sian Richards.



Karen Kain
Artistic Director

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 2010/11 season is presented by CTV and The Globe and Mail.

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