# Hansel & Gretel, Royal New Zealand Ballet Nov – Dec 2023 by region

Faint starlight peeps through the dark forest canopy. It is midnight: the witching hour.

Alone and lost, two hungry children stumble towards a glowing vision of warmth and comfort, heaven for any child with an empty belly and an aching heart. But all is not as it seems…

Following its triumphant premiere in 2019, the Royal New Zealand Ballet’s acclaimed Hansel & Gretel returns for Christmas 2023. Loughlan Prior, with Claire Cowan and Kate Hawley, has created a magical world of memorable characters: a brave brother and sister; their loving parents who never give up hope; the mystical Sandman and his sparkling Dew Fairies; and the most delightful (or is she?) Ice Cream Witch… not forgetting the Man in the Moon, an array of spooky forest creatures, fantastical food and a sinister chorus line of pink-iced gingerbread men.

Laughter, tears, shivers down the spine, plenty of sugar and just a touch of spice together make a recipe for a truly happy ending and a wonderful ballet experience for all ages.

## AUCKLAND

Sat 2 December, Aotea Centre, 1.30pm (Touch Tour 11.30am)

## NAPIER / HASTINGS

Sat 4 November, Napier Municipal Theatre, 7.30pm

NB this show will have a recorded audio description

## PALMERSTON NORTH

Fri 10 November, Regent on Broadway, 7.30pm

NB this show will have a recorded audio description

## CHRISTCHURCH

Sat 25 November, Isaac Theatre Royal, 1.30pm (Touch Tour 11.30am)

## DUNEDIN

Sat 18 November, Regent Theatre, 7.30pm (Touch Tour 5.30pm)

## INVERCARGILL

Wed 15 November, Civic Theatre, 7.30pm

NB this show will have a recorded audio description.

## BOOKING INFORMATION

Audio described discounted prices: $28 for children and $48 for adults. Booking service fee of $2 per transaction. Seats situated in the stalls. A free companion ticket is available if required and guide dogs are welcome.

To purchase tickets to public audio described performances please contact the RNZB Ticketing Team by phone 04 831 1056 or email subscribe@rnzb.org.nz

Box office hours are Monday to Friday, 10am-4pm.

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