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Northrop Presents EIFMAN BALLET Artistic Director Boris Eifman

Wed, May 17, 7:30 pm Carlson Family Stage

**Red** Giselle

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Christine Tschida. Photo by Tim Rummelhoff.

Dear Friends of Northrop,

On Wednesday evening, April 8, 1998, Eifman Ballet St. Petersburg made its New York debut at City Center with *Red Giselle*. On Friday morning, *The New York Times*' Anna Kisselgoff proclaimed: "A ballet world in search of a major choreographer need search no more. He is Boris Eifman..." She went on to praise the "blazing invention of his choreography..." and his "...stunning group of passionate dancers."

Sitting in the audience that evening, and likely in agreement with Kisselgoff, was former Northrop Director, Dale Schatzlein. He was scouting work for the Northrop Dance Series, and was so taken with Eifman Ballet that he became the first U.S. presenter to sign on for their next North American tour. The company presented *Red Giselle* on the Northrop stage for the first time in April of 2000, seventeen years ago. Tonight marks their sixth visit to Minneapolis, and I know they have become audience favorites. I am certain there are some in the audience tonight who have seen each and every one of those performances!

*Red Giselle* is exciting because of the passion and energy that Mr. Eifman demands of his amazing dancers, and for the unabashed theatricality that he brings to all of his productions. What's especially delicious in this production is the blurred boundary between the staging of the classical *Giselle* and the life of our heroine, "the ballerina." A full synopsis is included on pages 5-6 of this program.

But I think the story of how *Red Giselle* first came to play on the Northrop stage is an exciting one as well, and it speaks to what we continually strive for in presenting dance to our audience. We're continually on the lookout for new and exciting work. We maintain a commitment to ballet, but focus on new voices that are approaching classic works with new ideas and new vision. There's a commitment to international work—despite the ever-growing complexities of presenting foreign artists, and the risks that represents. And, we are still willing to take artistic risks, as Dale was when he signed on for the Eifman Ballet tour back in 2000.

Tonight marks the final production of our 2016//17 season. I hope that the 10 different companies that we've presented have enriched and inspired you. For those of you that have taken a risk with us, and tried something new, I applaud you. I extend my gratitude to our subscribers, and hope to see you again next season. And for everyone who has joined us—even if just once—thank you for being here and for making dance a part of your life.

Sincerely,

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Christine Tschida Director of Northrop

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## **RED GISELLE**

A ballet by BORIS EIFMAN Music by PYOTR TCHAIKOVSKY, ALFRED SCHNITTKE, GEORGES BIZET Sets and costumes by VYACHESLAV OKUNEV Lighting by BORIS EFIMAN

#### CAST

**Ballerina** International Ballet Competitions Laureate Golden Mask Award Laureate Golden Soffit Award Laureate MARIA ABASHOVA

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#### ALEXANDER SOLOVEY

**Partner** Honoured Artist of Russia Laureate of the President's Prize Golden Mask Award Laureate Golden Soffit Award Laureate OLEG GABYSHEV

DMITRY KRYLOV

"Our ballet is dedicated to Olga Spessivtseva, one of the greatest ballerinas of the 20th century. I was shocked to learn the details of her life: this unique actress bathed in glory, worshipped by admirers and critics later spent 20 years in a mental clinic near New York, totally alone and deprived of all her rights! And it was the deep and tragic sadness I felt when I learnt this that motivated me to produce the *Red Giselle*. The ballet is not an illustration for Spessivtseva's biography, but an attempt to draw a generalized picture of her fate and of those of many talented people who were forced to leave Russia and finally came to a tragic end.

Spessivtseva was a brilliant Giselle. The ballerina was so deeply drawn into her heroine's inner world that she eventually lacked the strength to return to real life: Giselle's fate was to become her own. Spessivtseva, being a prima-ballerina, was to become involved in the bloody events of revolutionary Petrograd and this was also to play a fatal role in her life: this red omen, the symbol of her fate and destiny, haunted and tormented her. Emigration was to bring disappointment both to her professional and personal life; it filled her life with even greater tragedies which led eventually to a catastrophe.

In creating this work, our goal was to pay a ballet-theatre tribute to the memory of Olga Spessivtseva—a great ballerina with a tragic fate."

-Boris Eifman



# **MUSIC SELECION**

# **ABOUT THE COMPANY**

#### ΑСТ Ι

Revolutionary Petrograd. A lesson of classical dance at the Mariinsky Theatre. Among all dancers a strict Teacher singles out one whose perfect movements embody his ideal of beauty. A full house applauds the Ballerina. Among her admirers is a Commissar, who personifies a new power. The Ballerina is attracted and suppressed by his power.

The Commissar introduces her to his world where destruction and chaos reign. However, Ballerina's euphoria fades away. She returns to the ballet class and to the Teacher.

Within the walls of the theatre a new power is established. It brings under control high art. The Teacher is in desperation. His world is treaded down.

The affair with the Commissar is painful for the Ballerina. Fear intertwines with attraction. The Commissar allows the Ballerina to leave Russia.

#### INTERMISSION

#### ACT II

Paris, Grand Opéra. A young choreographer offers to the Ballerina a new plastique which is not familiar to her. He becomes her Partner. Both will achieve triumphant success.

Ballerina's arising feeling to the Partner doesn't become mutual. Unrequited love, loneliness in the alien world increases psychic crisis.

Ballerina tries to forget herself by plunging into the atmosphere of Parisian spree. But the phantoms of the past still haunt her.

Even her favorite role of Giselle, Ballerina's best part, doesn't bring her a heartsease. The destiny of Giselle awaits herself—betrayal of a loved man and madness. The mind of the heroine can't endure the commotion. Ballerina's image dissolves into the mirror-world.

#### ACT 1

PYOTR TCHAIKOVSKY Serenade for strings in C major, Op. 48. 4<sup>th</sup> movement: Finale (Tema russo) The Tempest, Symphonic Fantasy after Shakespeare, Op. 18 Manfred Symphony in B minor, Op. 58. 4<sup>th</sup> movement Elegy in memory of Samarin

ALFRED SCHNITTKE

Ritual Concerto grosso №2 for Violin, Cello and Orchestra. Part 2 Gogol Suite. Overture Gogol Suite. The Legacy Gogol Suite. The Portrait

#### ACT 2

#### GEORGES BIZET

L'Arlésienne. Suite No. 2. 3<sup>rd</sup> movement: Minuet L'Arlésienne. Suite No. 1. 1<sup>st</sup> movement: Prélude L'Arlésienne. Suite No. 1. 3<sup>rd</sup> movement: Adagietto L'Arlésienne. Suite No. 2. 4<sup>th</sup> movement: Farandole L'Arlésienne. Suite No. 2. 2<sup>nd</sup> movement: Intermezzo

ALFRED SCHNITTKE Gogol Suite. The Bureaucrats Gogol Suite. The Legacy (K)ein Sommernachtstraum for large orchestra

PYOTR TCHAIKOVSKY Francesca da Rimini, Symphonic Fantasy after Dante, Op. 32

ADOLPHE ADAM Giselle. Act 2: Lever du soleil et arrivée de la cour St. Petersburg Eifman Ballet was established by Boris Eifman in 1977 (the original name of the company was the Leningrad New Ballet). The concept of the New Ballet was more than innovative for its time—from the first days of its work it was conceived and developed as a ballet theatre for one choreographer.

The company's first performances such as *Two-Voice* and *Boomerang* brought success and stirred intense interest of the audience, and ballet critics began arguing about new tendencies in the Russian ballet. Advocates of the traditional ballet school, however, were rather reluctant to acknowledge the young choreographer's authority. Eifman's novelty in how he chose literary basis and music for his ballets, the audacity of the body movement vocabulary secured for him the reputation of "a choreographic dissident."

In late 70s and early 80s Eifman's theatre was working out its own individual approach to repertoire formation. More and more new ballets based on the world classical literature appear on the playbill. The choreographer and his company, characterized by an outstanding dance intellect, explore new genres. Boris Eifman created performances whose distinguishing feature is the strikingly sharp choreographic patterns, intended to express the fiery passions of ballets' characters: *The Duel, The Idiot, The Mad March Day, or the Marriage of Figaro, The Legend, The Twelfth Night, Master and Margarita, Murderers* etc...

Today St. Petersburg Eifman Ballet is renowned among ballet lovers in Asia, Europe, the Americas and in Australia for such ballets as *I*, Don Quixote, *Red Giselle*, *Russian Hamlet*, *Anna Karenina*, *The Seagull*, *Eugene Onegin*, *Rodin*, *Beyond Sin*, *Requiem*, *Up* & Down, *Tchaikovsky*, and *PRO et CONTRA*. These works were generally recognized and represented the highest artistic level of achievements of the contemporary Russian ballet, turning the audience to the immortal spiritual heritage of Russian and world culture that inspired the choreographer and his dancers.

Boris Eifman's endeavor to engage his spectators in the infinite world of human passions, to form a spiritual liaison with the audience, to amaze viewers by the brilliance and dynamism of his plastique—all this has ensured a decades-long success of Eifman Ballet's performances at leading venues around the globe.

Boris Eifman is a philosopher choreographer. He is earnestly concerned with the problems of today and with the secrets of creativity. The choreographer speaks openly with his audience about the complicated and dramatic aspects of human life and defines his genre as "psychological ballet." *The New York Times* calls Boris Eifman the leader among living choreographers: "The ballet world in search of a major choreographer need search no more. He is Boris Eifman."

The company is distinguished by its brilliant technique, unique dedication and high onstage intelligence. Today excellent dancers, winners of international ballet contests and laureates of the President of Russia's Prize for Young Cultural Professionals and the Russian Government prize in the field of culture, holders of the prestigious Golden Mask and Golden Soffit awards, implement Boris Eifman's ideas: Maria Abashova, Lyubov Andreyeva, Dmitry Fisher, Oleg Gabyshev, Sergey Volobuev, and others.

An important period in the company's life began in 2011, when the Government of St. Petersburg made a decision to launch the construction of the *Boris Eifman Dance Academy*—a project originally initiated by the choreographer himself. In September 2013 the Academy announced the start of its first academic year. Another Eifman-initiated ballet institution is set to open in St. Petersburg in the near future—the *Boris Eifman Dance Palace* envisioned by Boris Eifman as a new world center of dance arts.

Forming an original ballet repertoire of modern Russia based upon the rich traditions of Russian psychological theatre, along with searching for and developing new forms of choreography of the 21st century are among the key priorities within the artistic mission of Boris Eifman and his brilliant company.

# **ARTISTIC DIRECTOR**

**BORIS EIFMAN,** People's Artist of Russia, Laureate of the State Prize of the Russian Federation



Boris Eifman, the founder and creator of his own theatre, his own style, and his own ballet universe, who is called "one of the leading choreographers in the world" and an "amazing magician of the theatre," was born in 1946 in Siberia. From early childhood he wanted to express

Photo © Boris Yakovlevich.

his feelings and his thoughts in body language, in dance. He himself would later say, "for me, ballet is more than a profession. It is a means of existence, my mission on this earth. Using its resources, I am compelled to convey what is given to me from on high. Most likely, I would simply suffocate on my emotions if I didn't have the possibility of expressing them through art. For me, choreography is art that is deeply religious, in the broadest sense of the word."

The innate sense of movement and the "instinct to compose" brought him to the Leningrad Conservatory, where he studied in the Choreography Department, and then to the Vaganova Academy of Russian Ballet, where he worked for ten years as a choreographer, composing new works for student performances. Finally, in 1977, he formed his own ballet ensemble. This is the moment when the Eifman story began, as, with his talent, with his blood and sweat, with his energy, dedicating himself a full 24 hours a day, he began to create his own theatre.

Eifman brilliantly combined cutting-edge achievements in the world of ballet with what he learned in the academic school of classical Russian choreography, to which he traces his roots. "What I do can be called the dance of emotions, free dance, a new language, in which classical ballet, modern dance, ecstatic impulses and many other things are interwoven...," he said at the time. His dancers, who had an exclusively academic grounding, had to acquire a new vocabulary of body movement. It was a completely different kind of choreography, whose fundamental principle came into being as the troupe was formed by Eifman.

In the course of time, his ballet ensemble became a ballet theatre, and this change in name reflects the essential formula of Eifman's creative method. As an artist whose natural inclination is toward the theatre, he is interested in choreographing not only variations of movement but also transparent internal actions, and one or another overriding idea connected with a performance. "I create ballets of a different kind, where self-expression becomes the subject and in which there is drama, philosophy, characters and an idea. And I am sure that this is the ballet of the future. Believe me, many of my young colleagues will follow the road that I have taken. This road leads eventually to man."

It's a man who's viewed by Eifman as the main subject and interest of art that has power over people's hearts and is capable of addressing the soul. For Eifman, ballet is a means of contemplation, or, as he puts it, an "opportunity, through movement, not only to express some sort of form and line, but to convey a flood of emotions, energy, ideas..."

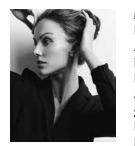
A distinct feature of Eifman's theatre, its trademark, is that almost all of his performances have a plot and, often, a literary source. This corresponds fully to his artistic credo: "I am not saying that I don't concern myself with the choreographic text itself and its level, as well as the degree of imagination or the perfected form... But if I need a literary base, it means that I am looking for an opportunity to plunge into some sort of realm, one that is familiar to me and to my audience, and, in the familiar, I try to discover and reveal the unexplored..."

It is this penetration into the realm of the unexplored—in the choreography and in the sphere of ideas—that is arguably the hallmark of Boris Eifman. When he turns to the literary works, or to the stories of life of Molière, Paul I (the Emperor of Russia), Tchaikovsky or Rodin, Eifman always sees nuances that no one else has noticed, he finds that which is capable of astonishing, and detects new meanings. In visual metaphors of movement, that can be compared to a figurative cipher of dreams, in which hazy fantasies and impulses take on visual forms, Eifman externalizes what is at the heart of a literary text or of an artist's life history. Eifman's theatre is often called a psychological one. His ballets can be named plastic psychoanalysis, in the course of which the psychological depth of the characters and the stories—no matter fictional or real—is being disclosed. When Eifman turns to the works of great writers or to the lives of geniuses and translates them into the language of ballet, this is immersion, through the physical, in the psychic, through the body, in the soul, through words, in ideas. His unique lexicon and conceptual, authorial interpretations are a breakthrough into that fantastic dimension where the boundlessness of inner worlds comes to life.

Text by Tatiana Boborykina



# **PRINCIPAL ARTISTS**



MARIA ABASHOVA

Born in Lviv, Ukraine, Maria Abashova was a soloist in 1997-98 with the Lviv National Academic Opera and Ballet Theatre. She graduated in 2002 from the Ballet Conservatoire Sankt-Poelten in Austria. Abashova has been a soloist with the Eifman Ballet, St. Petersburg

Featured roles since joining the Eifman Ballet include Doctor, Girl from tavern/Dulcinea, Kitri (I, Don Quixote); Orthodox (My Jerusalem); Madeleine, Elvira (Don Juan, or Moliere Passions); Soloist (Musagete); Anna (Anna Karenina); Nina Zarechnaya, Arkadina (The Seagull); Tatyana (Eugene Onegin); Camille, Rose Beuret (Rodin); Grushenka (Beyond Sin); Nicole Warren, Rosemary Hoyt (*Up* & *Down*); Ballerina (*Red Giselle*); Nadezhda von Meck, The Countess (Tchaikovsky. PRO et CONTRA). Abashova's honors include International Ballet Competitions Laureate, Golden Mask Award Laureate, and Golden Soffit Award Laureate.

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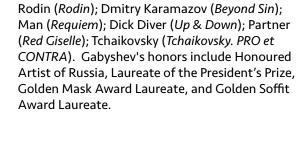


DMITRY FISHER

Born in 1984 in Perm, Dmitry Fisher graduated from the Perm State Choreographic College in 2002. Fisher has been a soloist with the Eifman Ballet, St. Petersburg since 2002.

Featured roles since joining

the Eifman Ballet include Gamache, the rich nobleman (I, Don Quixote); Hebrew (My Jerusalem); Alex (Who's Who); Treplev (The Seagull); Lensky (Eugene Onegin); Rodin (Rodin); Alexey Karamazov (Beyond Sin); Old man (Requiem); Nicole's father, Tommy (*Up* & *Down*); Tchaikovsky (*Tchaikovsky*. PRO et CONTRA). Fisher's honors include Laureate of the President's Prize and Golden Soffit Award Laureate.



DMITRY KRYLOV Born in 1993 in Kazan, Dmitry Krylov graduated from the Kazan

**OLEG GABYSHEV** 

2004.

include Basil, Patient who imagined himself to be Don Quixote (I, Don Quixote); Don Juan (Don Juan,

Featured roles since joining the Eifman Ballet

or Moliere Passions); Vronsky (Anna Karenina);

Treplev (The Seagull); Onegin (Eugene Onegin);

Born in 1985 in Volgograd,

Oleg Gabyshev graduated

Choreographic College in

2003. Gabyshev has been

a soloist with the Eifman

Ballet, St. Petersburg since

from the Novosibirsk State

Choreographic College in 2012. In 2012-13 Krylov was a dancer with the Tatar State Academic Opera and Ballet Theatre named after Musa Jalil. From 2013 to 2015 he

was a soloist with the Perm Tchaikovsky Opera and Ballet Theatre. Krylov has been a soloist with the Eifman Ballet, St. Petersburg since 2016.

Featured roles since joining the Eifman Ballet include Vronsky (Anna Karenina); Lensky (Eugene Onegin); Partner (Red Giselle); Prince, Lensky, Joker (Tchaikovsky. PRO et CONTRA).



#### LILIA LISHCHUK

Born in Donetsk, Ukraine, Lilia Lishchuk graduated from the Vaganova Ballet Academy in St. Petersburg in 2008. From 2008 to 2013 she was a member of the Mariinsky Ballet Company. Lishchuk has been a soloist with the Eifman Ballet, St. Petersburg since 2014.

Featured roles since joining the Eifman Ballet include Anna (Anna Karenina); Rose Beuret (Rodin); Rosemary Hoyt (Up & Down); Ballerina (Red Giselle); Nadezhda von Meck, The Countess, Tatyana (Tchaikovsky. PRO et CONTRA).



**OLEG MARKOV** Born in 1980 in Leningrad, Oleg Markov graduated from the Vaganova Ballet Academy in St. Petersburg in 1998. He has been a soloist with the Eifman Ballet, St. Petersburg since 1998.

Featured roles since joining the Eifman Ballet include Patient who imagined himself to be Don Quixote (I, Don Quixote); Commandore (Don Juan, or Moliere Passions); Karenin (Anna Karenina); Trigorin (The Seagull); General (Eugene Onegin); Ivan Karamazov, Fyodor Pavlovich Karamazov (Beyond Sin); Old man (*Requiem*); Nicole's father (*Up* & *Down*); Teacher (Red Giselle); Tchaikovsky (Tchaikovsky. RPO et CONTRA). Markov's honors include Golden Soffit Award Laureate.



**DARIA REZNIK** 

Born in 1997 in Vladivostok, Daria Reznik graduated from the Vaganova Ballet Academy in St. Petersburg in 2016. She has been a soloist with the Eifman Ballet. St. Petersburg since 2016.

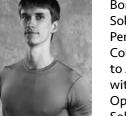
Featured roles since joining the Eifman Ballet

include Anna (Anna Karenina); Ballerina (Red Giselle); Antonina Milyukova, Tchaikovsky's wife (Tchaikovsky. PRO et CONTRA). Reznik's honors include International Ballet Competition Laureate.



ALEXANDER SOLOVEY Born in 1991, Alexander Solovey graduated from the Perm State Choreographic College in 2009. From 2009 to 2014, he was a dancer with the Perm Tchaikovsky Opera and Ballet Theatre. Solovey has been a soloist with the Eifman Ballet, St. Petersburg since 2014.

Featured roles since joining the Eifman Ballet include Karenin (Anna Karenina); Ivan Karamazov (Beyond Sin); Teacher (Red Giselle).



# **PRINCIPAL ARTISTS**



IGOR SUBBOTIN Born in 1991, Igor Subbotin graduated from the Belarusian State Choreographic College in 2011. From 2007 to 2009 he was a member of the Dnepropetrovsk State Academic Opera and Ballet

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**SERGEY VOLOBUEV** Born in 1986 in Kovel,

Ukraine, Sergey Volobuev graduated from the Kiev State Choreographic School in 2004. He has been a soloist with the Eifman Ballet, St. Petersburg since 2004.

Theatre. In 2011–12 Subbotin was a soloist with the Imperial Russian Ballet and in 2012–13 he was a soloist with the Russian State Ballet Theatre of Moscow. He has been a soloist with the Eifman Ballet, St. Petersburg since 2013.

Featured roles since joining the Eifman Ballet include Vronsky, Karenin (*Anna Karenina*); General (*Eugene Onegin*); Dmitry Karamazov (*Beyond Sin*); Husband (*Requiem*); Tommy (*Up* & *Down*); Commissar (*Red Giselle*); Tchaikovsky's Double, von Rothbart, Drosselmeyer, Onegin, Herman (*Tchaikovsky. PRO et CONTRA*). Featured roles since joining the Eifman Ballet include Patient who imagined himself to be Don Quixote (*I*, Don Quixote); Commandore (Don Juan, or Moliere Passions); Vronsky (Anna Karenina); Trigorin (The Seagull); Onegin, General (Eugene Onegin); Rodin (Rodin); Ivan Karamazov (Beyond Sin); Husband (Requiem); Dick Diver, Nicole's father (Up & Down); Commissar (Red Giselle); Tchaikovsky's Double, von Rothbart, Drosselmeyer, Onegin, Herman (Tchaikovsky. PRO et CONTRA). Volobuev's honors include Laureate of the President's Prize.

# **EIFMAN BALLET STAFF**

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