

Ottorino Respighi's *La bella dormente nel bosco* ('The Sleeping Beauty') was originally commissioned by the renowned puppeteer Vittorio Podrecca. The revised version we hear today preserves much of the kaleidoscopic approach and magnified characters and emotions of that original, now enhanced by the composer's matchless orchestration. This famous story in which the Princess pricks her finger on a spindle and sleeps for centuries until kissed by her Prince is given a magical atmosphere through director Leo Muscato's colourful staging, and the superb cast of this Teatro Lirico di Cagliari production truly inhabits an enchanted realm.

OTTORINO RESPIGHI

(1879-1936)

La bella dormente nel bosco

('The Sleeping Beauty')

Musical fairy tale in three acts (1922) (revised version, 1934)

Libretto by Gian Bistolfi after the fairy tale by Charles Perrault

La Regina (The Queen)	VETA PILIPENKO
La Vecchietta (The Old Lady)	ANGELA NISI
La Rana (The Frog)	ANTONIO GANDÍA
La Principessa (The Princess)	VINCENZO TAORMINA
Il Principe Aprile (The Prince April)	SHOUSHIK BARSOUMIAN
Il Re (The King)	LARA ROTILI
L'Ambasciatore (The Ambassador)	CLAUDIA URRU
La Fata Azzurra (The Blue Fairy)	ENRICO ZARA
La Fata Verde (The Green Fairy)	NICOLA EBAU
Il Gatto (The Cat)	NICOLA EBAU
La Duchessa (The Duchess)	FRANCESCO LEONE
Il Cuculo (The Cuckoo)	MARCO PUGGIONI
Il Fuso (The Spindle)	ENRICO ZARA
L'Usignolo (The Nightingale)	
Mister Dollar	
Il Buffone (The Jester)	
Un Boscaiulo (A Lumberjack)	
I quattro Medici (The Four Doctors)	

Conductor DONATO RENZETTI

ORCHESTRA E CORO DEL TEATRO LIRICO DI CAGLIARI · Chorus Master GAETANO MASTROIACO

Stage Director LEO MUSCATO

Set Designer GIADA ABIENDI

Costume Designer VERA PIERANTONI GIUA

Lighting Designer ALESSANDRO VERAZZI

Video Designers FABIO MASSIMO IAQUONE and LUCA ATTILII

Choreographer LUIGIA FRATTAROLI

Video Director TIZIANO MANCINI

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