

THE ROYAL OPERA

Music Director SIR ANTONIO PAPPANO Director of Opera OLIVER MEARS

WOLF WITCH GIANT FAIRY

THE ROYAL OPERA AND LITTLE BULB

Conceived and created by LITTLE BULB

Devised and performed by the ensemble:

CLARE BERESFORD PETER BRATHWAITE DOMINIC CONWAY MIRIAM GOULD EUGÉNIE PASTOR TOM PENN ALEXANDER SCOTT SHAMIRA TURNER JON WHITTEN CLAIRE WILD

Director ALEXANDER SCOTT Musical Directors DOMINIC CONWAY and CLARE BERESFORD Consultant Musical Director YSHANI PERINPANAYAGAM Set and Costume Designer SAMUEL WYER Lighting Designer JOSHUA PHARO Sound Designer ED CLARKE

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APPROXIMATE TIMINGS

The performance lasts about 1 hour and 5 minutes. There is no interval.

LANGUAGE

Sung in English with English surtitles

GUIDANCE

Suitable for all

This production is for families – all are welcome. Children aged 2+ are required to sit in their own seat. Children aged 2 and under can attend with a parent's ticket.

CAST

Narrator PETER BRATHWAITE Red Riding Hood CLARE BERESFORD Wolf TOM PENN Grandmother JON WHITTEN Mother/Baba Yaga CLAIRE WILD Cat ALEXANDER SCOTT Head Villager DOMINIC CONWAY Golden Goose EUGÉNIE PASTOR Peddler SHAMIRA TURNER Giant MIRIAM GOULD

PERFORMANCES

All performances are Relaxed and Sensory Adapted

FRIDAY 5 JANUARY 2024 AT 7.00PM



THE STORY

Red Riding Hood lives with her Mother in the magical wood. One day, Red's Mother asks her to deliver some bread to her Grandmother. Grandmother's cottage is deep in the heart of the forest. Usually it's a short trip, but on her way, Red meets a cunning Wolf who tricks her into taking a different path. The Wolf goes to the cottage and gobbles up Grandmother. Then he waits in the cottage for Red to arrive.

But Red doesn't reach Grandmother's cottage straight away. Instead, she meets Baba Yaga the Witch, who is quite a scary lady. A talking Cat helps Red to escape, and she arrives at a village. The villagers are sad because their Golden Goose and Golden Harp have been stolen, and their beloved cow, Milky White, has run out of milk.

Red sells the cow for some magic beans, which grow into a beanstalk. Red climbs the beanstalk into the clouds, where she meets the Giant who has stolen the Harp and the Goose.

Can Red steal back the Golden Harp and the Golden Goose? And what will happen to Grandmother? One thing's for sure: it's best not to mess with the Red family; they keep all kinds of hidden secrets...

Join our ragtag band of wild musicians as they guide you through this famous tale with new twists, turns, magic and song.

PRODUCTION

Assistant Director EVA SAMPSON Répétiteur JESSIE MARYON DAVIES Production Manager JENNY WHEELER Company Stage Manager ROBERT COUPE Deputy Stage Manager ALICE BARBER Costume Production Manager REBECCA TAYLOR WRIGHT Revivals Costume Technician and Dresser LAUREN VENUS Wardrobe Technician ADAM KEPPEL Wigs and Make-up Senior Manager PAM HUMPAGE Wigs and Make-up Technicians JOSHUA HORNE. NICOLE DOWNEY, MELINA SARANGO Lighting Programmer LAURA HOWELLS Lighting Operator HARRIET FINCH Lighting Technicians KURTIS JEREMIAH, ED SAUNDERS Sound Operator SHARON TSANG Sound No. 2 FLORENCE HAND Stage Technician ANTHONY HYMAN Surtitle Operators RUTH HANSFORD, RIKU ROKKANEN British Sign Language Interpreter JANET GUEST Audio Description by **SIGHTLINES**

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