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"...the most passionate display of dance that I have witnessed and the most meaningful." The Daily Telegraph on Dance for Ukraine, March 2022

Ballet superstars Marianela Nuñez and Olga Smirnova in her first London appearance since leaving Russia in protest at the war are joined by the artists of The Royal Ballet, Ukrainian National Ballet and other international companies including Matthew Ball, William Bracewell, Emma Hawes, Sangeun Lee.

Alongside Ivan Putrov and soloists of the Ukrainian National Ballet, dancers from Ukraine include Vsevolod Maievskyi, Denys Cherevychko and Marianna Tsembenhoi. Renowned Ukrainian pianist Sasha Grynyuk and mezzo-soprano Kseniia Nikolaieva will also appear.

The money raised by the gala will support young dancers in Ukraine, enabling them to continue their training despite the horrors of war. Additionally, the proceeds will fund a production of Sir Frederick Ashton's *La Fille mal gardée* at the National Opera House of Ukraine, a gift to the people of Ukraine.

Ivan Putrov, Artistic and Production Director, Dance for Ukraine: "We will help the young artists to achieve their dancing dream and the British marvel — La Fille mal gardée — will raise the spirits of all theatre lovers in Kyiv!"

Nobuhiro Terada, Artistic Director, Ukrainian National Ballet: "Despite this terrible war, we are continuing to perform and are striving to keep the spirits of our dancers and our audiences high. What more inspiring way to do this than by adding this most delightful and heart-warming gem of British ballet to our repertoire... We are hugely grateful to all of those working to make this possible."



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