

THE NUTCRACKER

Guest Conductor



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U.S.-born Gavriel Heine is one of the most sought-after ballet conductors today. A graduate of the Moscow Conservatory, he was a resident conductor of the Mariinsky Theatre for 15 years, where he led over 850 performances before resigning in April 2022 in protest over the war in Ukraine. While at the Mariinsky, classics such as *Swan Lake*, *Sleeping Beauty*, *The Nutcracker*, *Paquita*, *Raymonda*,

La Bayadère, *Cinderella* and *Romeo and Juliet* ran exclusively under his direction. He also led the Mariinsky company on 14 international tours to Asia, Europe and the United States.

Heine has guest conducted for the Royal Ballet (*Swan Lake*), Boston Ballet (*Romeo and Juliet*), Béjart Ballet (Firebird, Bolero), State Ballet of Georgia (*Romeo and Juliet*, *Serenade*, *Concerto Barocco*, *Mozartiana*), United Ukrainian Ballet (*Giselle*), the Vaganova Academy of Russian Ballet (*Nutcracker* and graduation performances). He has upcoming debuts at New York City Ballet (*Nutcracker*), Opéra de Paris Ballet (*Don Quixote*), and the Norwegian National Ballet (*Jewels*).