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# QueenslandBallet

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### **SOLD OUT SEASON FOR MIDSUMMERS, WHAT'S NEXT?**



Queensland Ballet has just closed on yet another sell out season with more than 13, 700 people seeing Liam Scarlett's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* over 16 performances.

Queensland Ballet Artistic Director Li Cunxin said the Company couldn't be happier with the audience and critical response to the delightful production of one of Shakespeare's most loved comedies.

"This production has been a joy from start to finish as we had the pleasure of working with one of the most sought after choreographers today, Liam Scarlett," Li said.

"This was a co-production with Royal New Zealand Ballet and we feel very lucky to have brought this season to Brisbane audiences."

There is however as they say, no rest for the wicked, as the Company looks forward to its big blockbuster ballet for the year, *Strictly Gershwin*, which opens on 27 May.

"While our dancers have been performing *Midsummers* in the theatre at night, they've spent their days rehearsing *Strictly Gershwin* as we open so soon after this season closes," he said.

"We're very excited about this next season which will be Queensland Ballet like we've never been seen before.

"Set to the wonderful music of George and Ira Gershwin, *Strictly Gershwin* has everything from classical ballet to tap dancing, ballroom dancing to musical theatre, and all with a live jazz band on stage."

Adding to the great atmosphere of the Queensland Symphony Orchestra being on stage, QB has also worked with Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) to secure some of the best voices on the Australian stage.



"I'm delighted to announce that Rachael Beck, Michael Falzon, Luke Kennedy and Alexandra Flood will be joining us on stage to perform some of the best loved Gershwin tunes alongside our dancers," he said.

"Rachael, Michael and Luke are very well known for their musical theatre achievements and Alexandra Flood is a rising star of the opera and musical theatre world.

"We can't wait to share this dance and music spectacular and we're sure it will appeal to our loyal fans and new audiences alike.

"Tickets for this production are walking out the door so I encourage people to snap up tickets as soon as possible."

For further information and tickets visit [www.queenslandballet.com.au](http://www.queenslandballet.com.au)

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## Behind the scenes

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