## Epic Onegin back at the Royal Opera House in 2013



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## John Cranko's much-loved ballet adaptation of Pushkin's versenovel returns to Covent Garden from 19th January

January 22, 2013, 12:32 pm -- /<u>EPR NETWORK</u>/ -- One of the most popular Russian novels of all time, which has been endlessly adapted for stage, film, opera and dance, once again finds itself on the London stage in 2013.

Onegin, based on Alexander Pushkin's novel of the same name, tells the story of a young gallant Eugene Onegin and his relationships with Tatyana, her sister Olga and Olga's fiancé. John Cranko, who first create dance to accompany Tchaikovsky's opera of the same name in 1952, is the choreographer responsible for the ballet's mixture of styles and emotions.

First created for the Stuttgart Ballet in 1965, Cranko's piece uses a wide palette of powerful duets and an eclectic range of dance forms, such as folk, modern, ballroom and acrobatic to showcase the dramatically changing relationships between the four leads.

This new version will be staged at the magnificent Royal Opera House in Covent Garden, a building which has played its role as a key host to classical music stars and dancers since 1858. Whilst there have been many architectural redevelopments, the site retains its sense of grandeur.

Ballet fans making a special trip to the capital for the event can take a look atLondonTown.com for excellent deals and discounts on London hotels.

The <u>Waldorf Hilton Hotel London</u> has 67% off on Feb 1st, with double rooms at the  $5^*$  luxury hotel from £140. There's also 64% off the <u>Radisson Blu Edwardian on Mercer Street</u>, a short walk from Onegin, with doubles from £127.

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