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## CAST AMENDMENT

### ***L'ELISIR D'AMORE*** (Gaetano Donizetti)

27, 30 May, 3, 6 June 2017

Due to medical reasons, Mexican tenor **Rolando Villazón** has withdrawn from singing the role of Nemorino in *L'elisir d'amore* on 27 and 30 May, and 3 and 6 June. The role of Nemorino will now be sung on those dates by Armenian tenor **Liparit Avetisyan**. He made his Royal Opera debut earlier this Season as Alfredo Germont (*La traviata*) with support from the Dame Kiri Te Kanawa Foundation Cover Awards. His many roles with Armenian National Academic Theatre of Opera and Ballet include Alfredo Germont (*La traviata*) and Don José (*Carmen*). Recent appearances elsewhere include Rodolfo (*La bohème*) in Frankfurt, Fenton (*Falstaff*) in Cologne and Alfredo Germont for Opera Australia. He has also sung Des Grieux (*Manon*), Count Almaviva (*Il barbiere di Siviglia*) and Prince (*The Love for Three Oranges*) for the Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Moscow Music Theatre.

The rest of the cast remains unchanged with **Pretty Yende** as Adina, **Alex Esposito** as Dulcamara, **Paolo Bordogna** as Belcore and **Vlada Boroko** as Giannetta. As previously scheduled, **Ivan Magri** sings Nemorino on 11 June with this cast. **Bertrand de Billy** conducts all performances.

There will be further performances of *L'elisir d'amore* on 13, 16, 19 and 22 June with **Roberto Alagna** as Nemorino, **Aleksandra Kurzak** as Adina and **Adam Plachetka** as Belcore, and **Alex Esposito** and **Vlada Borovko** returning as Dulcamara and Giannetta.

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