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Northern Ballet's *Dangerous Liaisons* In cinemas internationally



Joseph Taylor and Antoinette Brooks-Daw in *Dangerous Liaisons*. Photo Emma Kauldhar

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Across the UK, Europe and North America from 14 September 2021

Following successful cinema screenings of *Dracula* and *Victoria*, Northern Ballet makes a return to cinema with another full-length ballet, David Nixon OBE's *Dangerous Liaisons*.

Northern Ballet are once again partnering with CinemaLive, leading producers and distributors of event cinema, to give audiences the opportunity to see this thrilling production up close on the big screen. The film is set to be shown in more than 200 cinemas throughout the UK, as well as screenings across Europe and North America.

Dangerous Liaisons, inspired by the original novel by Pierre Choderlos de Laclos, tells the tale of two bored aristocrats as they spin a web of heartbreak and ruin. This dramatic ballet is choreographed by David Nixon OBE and performed to Vivaldi's rousing composition of The Four Seasons, played by Northern Ballet Sinfonia.

Northern Ballet's *Dangerous Liaisons* was captured for film in October 2020 during performances at Leeds Playhouse. Uniquely it was filmed and edited entirely in-house by

members of the Company with direction for film by Artistic Director of Digital Kenneth Tindall and Northern Ballet First Soloist Riku Ito stepping behind-the-scenes as lead camera operator. Creative Content Producer Emily Nuttall edited the film as part of the Company's commitment to upskilling its staff and expanding its digital offering.

Artistic Director David Nixon OBE said: 'I am delighted that *Dangerous Liaisons* will be screened in cinemas, bringing ballet to new audiences across the country. This is the third of our full-length ballets to be shown in cinema and the fact that the ballet was captured and edited in-house shows the growth and strength of our in-house digital team, which included one of our dancers, under the direction of Kenneth Tindall. We continue to be committed to bringing ballet to as many people as possible, through our live performances, online and TV presence and cinema screenings.'

John Travers, Head of Acquisitions & Distribution for CinemaLive said: 'We're excited to be working in partnership with Northern Ballet to provide a wider audience with access to their incredible ballets through their local cinema. Their innovative approach to story-telling looks beyond traditional ballet titles and we are proud to bring this unique and inventive content to the big screen. We look forward to seeing their production of *Dangerous Liaisons* connecting with cinema audiences across the UK and Europe later this year and in North America in 2022.'

Full cinema listings will be made available at cinemalive.com. The cinema trailer is available to be watched at northernballet.com

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Notes to Editors

Film credits

Choreography & Costume Design: David Nixon OBE

Story: Pierre Choderlos de Laclos

Music: Antonio Vivaldi

Lighting Design: Alastair West

Direction for Film: Kenneth Tindall

Dancers

Joseph Taylor, Abigail Prudames, Antoinette Brooks-Daw, Rachael Gillespie, Filippo Di Vilio, Sarah Chun, Mariana Rodrigues, Ashley Dixon, Heather Lehan

Northern Ballet

Northern Ballet is one of the UK's leading ballet companies and the widest touring ballet company in the UK. Bold and innovative in its approach, Northern Ballet is prolific at creating new full-length work with a unique blend of strong classical technique and impressive storytelling. Northern Ballet's repertoire embraces popular culture and takes inspiration from literature, legend, opera and the classics, pushing the boundaries of what stories can be told through dance.

A champion for the cultural exports of the North, Leeds-based Northern Ballet is dedicated to bringing ballet to as many people and places as possible, under the leadership of Artistic Director David Nixon OBE. Northern Ballet's Company of dancers performs a combination of its full-length ballets and specially created ballets for children at more than 40 venues annually.

For more details of Northern Ballet's tour, on sale dates and booking information, please visit northernballet.com/whats-on

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