

## PRESS INFORMATION

Oscar winner Tom Hanks and choreographer Nikeata Thompson rehearse at Friedrichstadt-Palast Berlin for new Tom Tykwer movie

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Nikeata Thompson and two-time Oscar winner Tom Hanks in the large ballet studio at the Palast. Photo: Sascha Radke

Together with British choreographer Nikeata Thompson, Tom Hanks practised in the large ballet studio at Friedrichstadt-Palast in Berlin for the dramatic comedy 'A Hologram for the King', directed by Tom Tykwer. Hollywood glamour in the East End Theatre District.

Until end of June, the blockbuster star will be in front of the camera in Berlin and Potsdam for the film adaptation of American best-selling author Dave Eggers. Hanks and Tom Tykwer have already been shooting together for the epic 'Cloud Atlas' in Germany's capital and its surroundings in 2011. Apart from Spencer Tracy, Tom Hanks is the only actor to win two Oscars in a row (for 'Philadelphia' and 'Forrest Gump').

"I was fortunate that director Tom Tykwer thought of me when looking for a choreographer, and I'm delighted to be part of this great production. It's brilliant having the opportunity to work with Tom Hanks as he's a very warm-hearted and down-to-earth person," says Nikeata Thompson. The choreographer, now living in Berlin, worked with the Friedrichstadt-Palast ballet ensemble for the production SHOW ME, which is currently running until 19 July. Previously, Thompson choreographed Lena Meyer-Landrut's performance in the 2011 Eurovision Song Contest. Nikeata Thompson also sits alongside Howard Donald on the judging panel of German TV talent show 'Got To Dance'.

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