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# Curtain to go up on robo-opera

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**A THEATRE is putting on a musical starring high-tech ROBOTS.**

The mechanical actors have been in rehearsals with their human counterparts to put on a performance of the show *Robots* at the Barnabe Theatre in Switzerland.

It tells the story of a man in self-imposed exile who lives with three robots - a butler, a pet and a dancer - and who faces a visit from a woman who represents his last link with the outside world.

The three robots starring in it were developed by a spin-off project from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology called BlueBotics.

They can act on their own and interact with the two actors and the set. *Robots* will have its world premiere May 1 and will play until May 17.



On stage ... actress Laurence Iseli performs with a robot

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