

Shakespeare in the Park 2024 Programme

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Perhaps Shakespeare's best-known work with themes of magic, masks, mayhem and misunderstanding. A fantastical comedy with a multilayered examination of love and its vagaries – which results in a happy ending for all the lovers. Added to this is a troop of amateur players determined to give a performance worthy of a Duke's wedding celebration!

Cast

Theseus	Toby Furmanski
Oberon	Toby Furmanski
Hippolyta	Katie Hemus
Titania	Katie Hemus
Philostrate	Gus Woodgate
Puck	Gus Woodgate
Lysander	Dylan Spiers
Pease-Blossom	Dylan Spiers
Demetrius	Daniel Rundle
Cobweb	Daniel Rundle
Hermia	Sophia Kirkwood-Smith
Mustardseed	Sophia Kirkwood-Smith
Helena	Sofia Shaw
Mote	Sofia Shaw
Bottom (Pyramus)	Aidan Allen
Flute (Thisbe)	Ben Martin
Egeus	Ben Martin
Snug (Lion)	Millie Knights
Quince (Prologue)	Karen Mack
Snout(Wall)	Mingjie Duan
Starveling (Moonshine)	Hannah Thomas
Faerie (Fairy)	Hannah Thomas

Creative Team

Director	Grae Burton
Stage Manager	Jessica Keesing-Styles
Assistant Stage Manager	Natasha Easey
Intimacy Coordinator	Bess Brookes
Set Design	Grae Burton, James Bell & Paul Saussey
Props	Jessica Keesing-Styles & Grae Burton
Costume	Grae Burton, Hannah Thomas & Karen Mack
Masks	The Cast, Grae Burton & Lily Burton
Lighting Design	Jeff Philp
Sound Design	Grae Burton

Music Credits

"Celebration", "Entertainment", "Marked" by Alexander Nakarada

"Wedding March" by Felix Mendelssohn

"Moonlight Sonata" by Ludwig van Beethoven

Measure for Measure

A play for today, Measure for Measure is a dark comedy that explores the abuse of power (especially over women) and how it can be resolved for the better. Secret identities, sinister manipulations and a host of intriguingly named comic characters all come together in what is sometimes referred to as a 'problem play' – in that it brings up a difficulty and then solves it.

Cast (in order of appearance)

Duke	Stuart Tupp
Escalus	Stephen Ellis
Angelo	Nick Milnes
Lucio	Max Pirotais-Wilton
A Gentleman	Emerson O'Regan
Mistress Overdone	Steph Curtis
Pompey	John Charlton
Provost	Michelle Atkinson
Claudio	Chris Raven
Juliet	Alice Dibble
Francisca	Steph Curtis
Isabella	Åria Harrison-Sparke
Friar Peter	Tanna Van Rensberg
Justice	Emerson O'Regan
Elbow	Tanna Van Rensberg
Froth	Alice Dibble
Mariana	Terri Mellender
Aborson	Alice Dibble
Barnardine	Emerson O'Regan

Creative Team

Director	James Bell
Stage Manager	Siobhan Donnelly
Assistant Stage Manager	Saskia Milnes
Costume Design	Åria Harrison-Sparke
Set Design	Grae Burton, James Bell & Paul Saussey
Lighting and Sound Design	Jeff Philp
Intimacy Coordinator	Mags Delaney-Moffatt
Props	Siobhan Donnelly

Production Team

Production Manager	Mags Delaney-Moffatt
Set Construction	Paul Saussey
Technical Crew	Anton Reinauer, Oliver Quedley-Smith, Sage Carruthers & Toby Gibbes
Vocal Coach	Linda Cartwright
Marketing and Promotion	Ali @ Elephant Publicity, James Bell and Cath Boniface
Photography	James Bell & Grae Burton
Front of House Coordinator	Mags Delaney-Moffatt

Special Thanks

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Vale, Allan

Our 28th season of Shakespeare in the Park is dedicated to Allan Dumbleton, who passed away in December, aged 90.

Allan was one of Shoreside Theatre's founders, and his commitment and contributions supporting Shoreside since 1976 were nothing short of extraordinary. No matter the task at hand, Allan was there – chairing the committee, driving the length of the North Shore and beyond to set up billboards or managing the bar and refreshment stand.

If you've ever been to Shakespeare in the Park before, or a Mid-Winter Murder Mystery, you'll have seen Allan checking tickets, BBQing a sausage, or helping you find your seat.

Allan's legacy will live on through our two immensely popular North Shore theatre seasons that he helped create, the memories of those fortunate enough to know him and the indelible mark he leaves on our theatre community.