



Audition Call

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged) [revised] [again] By Adam Long, Daniel Singer, Jess Winfield

Show Title: *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged) [revised] [again]*

By Adam Long, Daniel Singer, Jess Winfield

Company: Bard in the Valley www.bardinthevalley.com

Director: Delaney Gilmour

Producer: Brad Hendy

A \$500.00 honorarium will be offered to the actors involved.

In just 97 minutes, three actors attempt the impossible: performing all 37 of Shakespeare's plays. The result is a fast-paced whirlwind of comedy, improvisation, audience interaction, and physical theatre that affectionately celebrates and pokes fun at the Bard's entire canon. Whether you're a lifelong Shakespeare enthusiast or someone who still carries scars from high school English class, there's something here to enjoy.

Originally developed through improvisation and ad-libbing, *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)* is built around the conceit that the audience is witnessing the very first performance of the play. The three actors appear to be making much of it up as they go along, relying on enthusiasm and quick thinking whenever they find themselves short on talent (or a clear understanding of Shakespeare's work). This spirit of spontaneity, collaboration, and discovery has been central to the show since its creation. In that same tradition, we hope to embrace a rehearsal process that encourages exploration, play, and the contributions of the artists involved, creating a production that feels fresh and uniquely our own.

This latest (*Revised*) [*Again*] edition builds on the original and subsequent revisions with updates that reflect and celebrate the diversity and inclusivity of contemporary theatre, ensuring this beloved comedy remains as relevant and entertaining as ever.

Audition Dates:

Open Auditions: Sun.Sept.6 9am-3:00pm & Wed.Sept.9th 6:30pm-9:30. (10-minute time slots)

Call Backs: Sunday Sept. 13th 9am-1:30pm (Appointment times to be determined, expect to be called for approx. an hour)

Audition Location: HD Stafford Middle School - 20441 Grade Crescent, Langley BC

Please come prepared with a short Shakespearean monologue of your choice (approximately 1-2 minutes in length), either comedic or dramatic. You will also be asked to cold read excerpts from the script during the audition.

To book your audition time slot, please fill the [audition form](#) and e-mail your resume and headshot to auditions@bardinthevalley.com.

Deadline to submit: Friday, September 4th at 5:00pm

This is a non-equity production.

A \$500.00 honorarium will be offered to the actors involved.

Casting: Three performers of any age and gender will play themselves while portraying dozens of characters from across Shakespeare's canon. Performers should be comfortable with rapid character changes, physical comedy, improvisation, direct audience interaction, and heightened language. No performer is assigned a single role; all actors share storytelling responsibilities and portray a wide variety of characters throughout the performance.

Experience with improv is an asset

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Production Information**Rehearsals**

All rehearsals take place at HD Stafford Middle School 20441 Grade Crescent, Langley, BC.

Readthrough: Sunday September 27th 9:00am

Regular rehearsals: Sundays 9:00-1:30 starting October 4th & Wednesdays 6:30-9:30 starting October 21st

Tech/dress rehearsals: Tuesday January 19th & Wednesday January 20th 5-10pm

Preview performance: Thursday, January 21th

Due to the nature of this production, we ask that those auditioning be available for most, if not all, scheduled rehearsals, and that they have full availability for all technical rehearsals and performance dates.

Production dates

Evening Performances 7:00pm with a call time of 5:30pm.

Matineés 2pm with a call time of 12:30pm

Production Dates:

January 22 (preview), 22, 23, 24 (mattinée), 28, 29, 30, 31 (mattinée), February, 4, 5, 6, 7 (mattinée)

Creekside Hall at the Langley Seniors Resource Society
20605 51b Ave, Langley, BC V3A 9H1

Thank you for your interest in our production, we look forward to seeing you at the auditions!