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presents the production of

SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE

based on the screenplay by

Marc Norman & Tom Stoppard

adapted for the stage by

Lee Hall

music by

Paddy Cunneen

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Music Director

Scott Waara

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CAST OF CHARACTERS

(In order of appearance)

Will Shakespeare	Paul David Story*
Kit Marlowe	Corey Brill*
Henslowe	Bo Foxworth*
Fennyman	William Francis McGuire*
Lambert/Sir Robert de Lesseps/Burbage's Heavy/	
Frees/Wabash/Prince/Bishop	Nicholas Mongiardo-Cooper*
Richard Burbage	Louis Lotorto*
Mistress Quickly/Molly/Lady in Waiting	Alicia Erlinger
Edmund Tilney	David Nevell*
Actor/Robin/Boatman/Lady Capulet	Adam Silver*
Queen Elizabeth I	Elyse Mirto*
Valentine/Barman/Peter/Tybalt/Adam/Gregory/Gre	uard Aaron McGee
Proteus/Waiter/Nol/Guard/Benvolio/Sampson	James MacEwan
Viola de Lesseps	Carmela Corbett*
Nurse	
Ralph/Juliet's Nurse/Catling/Petruchio	Matthew Henerson*
John Webster	Bing Putney*
Lord Wessex	
Ned Alleyn	Nick Gabriel*
Sam/Juliet	
Kate/Lady in Waiting	Fleur Zanna
Musician	Lex Leigh
Musician	Scott Waara*
Spot	Cinnamon Dempsey

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SETTING

London, 1593.

PRODUCTION STAFF

Dramaturg	Kat Zukaitis	
Assistant Stage Manager	Sue Karutz*	
Assistant Director	Brittany Campbell	
Assistant Lighting Designer	Marissa Diaz	
Fight Captain	Louis Lotorto	
Dance Captain	Nick Gabriel	
Costume Design Assistant		
Stage Management Interns		
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Dressers		
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Wig Assistant	Alejandra Guerra	
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Melissa Meza, Tessa Oberle, Alexis Riggs, Lauren Smith, Sarah Timm		

Will's World

by Kat Zukaitis

o live in Elizabethan London was to live in a world of whirlwind change. The city was growing with shocking speed, reaching a population of almost 200,000 in 1600 to become the thirdlargest city in Europe. Even as London became more crowded, though, it remained compact: it was still possible to cross the city on foot in about half an hour. Only one bridge traversed the mighty River Thames and the sides of the London Bridge were packed with shops and houses up to seven stories tall—as well as poles on which the heads of executed traitors were displayed.

The ruling Tudor dynasty was barely a century old and already in danger of extinction. Elizabeth I's reign, which lasted from 1558 to 1603, was long and prosperous; but the Queen had no children and refused to name an heir. Her father, Henry VIII, and her sister, Mary I, had provoked major upheavals by changing the state religion from Catholicism to Protestantism and back again. Even during the religiously moderate Elizabeth's tenure, when Protestantism was reinstated, those displaying the wrong sectarian affiliation risked punishments that ranged from fines to torture and execution.

Despite the ever-present dangers of politics and plague, arts and culture flourished. A booming urban population, combined with rising literacy rates, aristocratic patronage and an influx of remarkable talent, set the stage for the emergence of a new art form. Gone were the morality plays and mystery cycles of medieval England, now deemed too ritualistic and maybe heretical; from their ashes rose the phoenix of modern theatre, complete with playwrights and professional acting companies.

London's first full-time, dedicated professional playhouse, the Theatre, was built in 1576 by James Burbage (the father of Richard Burbage, who would go on to originate many of the most demanding roles in Shakespeare's repertory, including Hamlet, Richard III and King Lear). Because playhouses were prohibited within the city limits, most of them were established in the northern suburbs (such as the Theatre and the Curtain) or across the river, on the south bank of the Thames (the Rose and the Globe). Queen Elizabeth regularly invited companies of players to perform for her at one of her palaces; officially, any production for the public was actually just a "rehearsal" for an eventual royal invitation... a rehearsal that two to three thousand members of the public could pay to attend.

Despite the relative novelty of professional theatre, Shakespeare's audiences in the 1590s were some of the most experienced playgoers throughout all of history. Most companies staged a different play every day, drawing thousands of audience members; on average, it's likely that more than one-third of London's adult population saw a play every month. Theatres closed frequently, however: performances were prohibited during Lent, times of civil unrest and outbreaks of plague, which hit London in 1563, 1578-9, 1582, 1592-3 and 1603, killing up to one-fifth of the city's population each time.

A company of players was composed only of men and boys, who played both male and female roles. Scholars theorize that the Lord Chamberlain's Men must have employed two extremely talented boys in the late 1590s, based on the paired female roles of increasing complexity that Shakespeare penned in quick succession: Portia and Calphurnia in Julius Caesar, Rosalind and Celia in As You Like It, followed by Ophelia and Gertrude in Hamlet. The first woman to tread the boards of a professional stage in England appeared in 1660. We do not know the name of the actress, but we know that she played Desdemona in Shakespeare's Othello.



Brush Up Your Shakespeare

- 1. Where was Shakespeare born?
 - a. London
 - b. Nottingham
 - c. Stratford
 - d. Oxford
- 2. Which other Renaissance writer was born in the same year as Shakespeare?
 - a. Ben Jonson
 - b. John Milton
 - c. John Webster
 - d. Christopher Marlowe
- 3. Shakespeare was the father of children.
 - a. 1: a girl
 - b. 2: twins (a boy and a girl)
 - c. 3: a girl and twins (a boy and a girl)
 - d. 4: two sets of twins (three girls and one boy)
- 4. When did Shakespeare leave his hometown for London?
 - a. 1580
 - b. 1589
 - c. 1596
 - d. We don't know
- 5. How many words are used for the first time in a play by Shakespeare?
 - a. 1,003
 - b. 2,035
 - c. 3,311
 - d. 3,570
- 6. In which play does Viola (disguised as a boy) fall in love with Orsino, who loves Olivia, who falls in love with the disguised Viola?
 - a. Twelfth Night
 - b. Much Ado About Nothing
 - c. As You Like It
 - d. The Winter's Tale
- 7. Who was the British monarch when Shakespeare died?
 - a. King Henry VIII
 - b. Queen Elizabeth I
 - c. King James I
 - d. King Charles I



Above: Engraving of William Shakespeare by Martin Droeshout from the First Folio edition of his plays, 1623.

- 8. What did Shakespeare bequeath his wife, Anne Hathaway?
 - a. Their house, the second-largest in Stratford-upon-Avon
 - b. His second-best bed
 - c. A new gown
 - d. Four hundred pounds

Answers on pp. 6-7.

Brush Up Your Shakespeare: Answer Key



1. c: Stratford

William Shakespeare was born in Stratford-upon-Avon in April

1564—we don't know the exact date, but the parish register of Stratford lists a baptism of "Gulielmus filius Johannes Shakspere" on April 26, 1564. His father, John, was a glovemaker and served for a time as the town baliff; his mother, Mary, was a member of the prominent Arden family.

2. d: Christopher Marlowe

Yes, it's true. Perhaps the two greatest playwrights of the English Renaissance were born in the same year. They were both 29 years old in 1593, when *Shakespeare in Love* takes place.

3. c: 3, a girl and twins (a boy and a girl)

William and Anne Shakespeare had three children: Susanna was born in 1583, six months after her parents' wedding, and twins Hamnet and Judith followed two years later. Hamnet died of unknown causes in 1596, at the age of eleven; scholars theorize that he may have inspired the name of the famous prince of Denmark in the play that his father wrote three years later. Will's last direct descendant, his granddaughter Elizabeth, died in 1670.

4. d: We don't know.

We know very little about the "lost years" of Shake-speare's life, between 1578, when he probably left school, and 1592, when records first list him in London. His 1582 marriage license (as well as the baptismal certificates of his children) suggest he remained in Stratford for part of the 1580s—but when did he leave and where did he go? Was he a teacher? An apprentice actor? How did he gain the staggering skills that brought him such success on the London stage in the 1590s? Historians have many guesses, but no sure answers.

5. b: 2,035

Words that appeared for the first time in print in one of Shakespeare's plays include: assassin; eyeball; bedroom; fashionable; mimic; moonbeam; outbreak; jaded; lonely; luggage; marketable; summit; birthplace; champion; unreal; zany; hint; negotiate; obscene; puking; rant; scuffle; and grovel... plus about two thousand more.

6. a: Twelfth Night

Shakespeare loved the device of young women disguising themselves as boys—and because female characters would have been played by boys, there were several layers to the portrayal of gender. Other notable cross-dressers



in Shakespeare's plays include Portia in *The Merchant of Venice*; Rosalind in *As You Like It*; Falstaff in *The Merry Wives of Windsor*; Imogen in *Cymbeline*; Julia in *Two Gentleman of Verona*; and Bartholomew in *The Taming of the Shrew*.

7. c: King James I

Although Queen Elizabeth is the British monarch most associated with Shakespeare's plays—and with good reason, as she was a great lover of theatre—King James I was also an important patron of Shakespeare's. In fact, when James became king in 1603, he took over direct patronage of Shakespeare's company, the Lord Chamberlain's Men, who henceforth were known as the King's Men.

8. b: His second-best bed

Yes, it sounds like an insult—and while we don't know much about Shakespeare's relationship with his wife, who remained in Stratford-upon-Avon with their children while he was in London, it's true that there are almost no happily married couples in his plays. However, the second-best bed in Elizabethan times was usually the marital bed, the best bed being reserved for visitors; so perhaps the gesture was meant as a romantic one.

Previous page: A 19th-century German engraving depicting Shakespeare surrounded by his children with Anne at the right. Inset, clockwise from top left: Shakespeare's birthplace on Henley Street in Stratford-upon-Avon; purported portrait of Marlowe discovered at Marlowe's old rooms during renovations in 1952; and King James I of England by John de Critz the Elder. Above: Olivia Unveiling [for Viola in Shakespeare's Twelfth Night] by William Powell Frith, 1874.

Shakespeare Speed Round with Marc Masterson

SCR Artistic Director Marc Masterson answers quick questions about the best of the Bard.

- Favorite comedy: As You Like It.
- Favorite tragedy: King Lear.
- Most underrated play: The Winter's Tale.
- Favorite quote: "We are such stuff as dreams are made on, and our little life is rounded with a sleep." –Prospero in *The Tempest*.
- **Quote you use in real life:** "The devil can cite Scripture for his purpose." –Antonio in *The Merchant of Venice.*



- Favorite crazy plot twist: All of the twins.
- Favorite lovers: Touchstone and Audrey, the court jester and goat girl from As You Like It.
- **Favorite death scene:** Hamlet in *Hamlet*: "The rest is silence."
- Favorite villain: Iago from Othello.
- **Favorite minor characters:** Stephano and Trinculo, the heavy-drinking butler and jester who join up with Caliban to plot against Prospero in *The Tempest.*
- Play you don't especially like: Any history after *Henry V.*
- Play you'd be most excited about directing: King Lear.
- **Favorite adaptation:** Aaron Posner's magic-infused adaptation of *The Tempest*, which SCR produced in 2014.
- Why Shakespeare still matters: "His plays continue to reveal wisdom throughout life."

Linda Gehringer and Hamish Linklater in SCR's 2007 production of *Hamlet*.

Artist Biographies



RICKY ABILEZ
Sam/Juliet

is thrilled to be making his SCR debut. His recent credits include Tobias in *Sweeney Todd* (Southgate Productions), *Secret in the Wings* (Coeurage Theatre Company) and *Señor Plummer's Final Fiesta*

(Rogue Artists Ensemble). He appeared in the independent film, *It's Dark Here*, and also works as a freelance producer. Abilez worked closely with playwright Prince Gomolvilas and author Scott Heim to produce *Mysterious Skin*, the play adaptation of Heim's acclaimed novel, where he starred as Neil McCormick. He received his BFA in acting from Cal State Fullerton. Rickyabilez.com



COREY BRILL *Kit Marlowe*

appeared at SCR previously as David in *Office Hour*, Josh in *Of Good Stock*, Rufus in *Five Mile Lake*, as a fetus in Noah Haidle's *Smokefall* and as Mr. Darcy in *Pride and Prejudice*. He is thrilled to be back. His

Broadway credits include Gore Vidal's *The Best Man*, Rajiv Joseph's *Bengal Tiger at the Baghdad Zoo* (understudy) and the first national tour of Kander and Ebb's *Cabaret*. He has performed at regional theatres around the country including The Kennedy Center, Actors Theatre of Louisville, Seattle Repertory Theatre, The Old Globe, Williamstown Theatre Festival, Hartford Stage, La Jolla Playhouse, Chalk Repertory Theatre and with Young Jean Lee's Theatre Company. His television and film appearances include "Chicago P.D.," "You're the Worst," "Scorpion," "The Walking Dead," "Perception," "CSI: Miami" and HBO's "The Normal Heart." He earned his MFA from UC San Diego. Follow him at coreybrill.com or @brillcorey.



BILL BROCHTRUP *Lord Wessex*

returns to SCR where he was previously in *Noises Off, Taking Steps, The Real Thing* and *Ben and The Magic Paintbrush*. In New York, he appeared in the off-Broadway productions of Jonathan Tolins' *Se*-

crets of the Trade (Primary Stages) and David Marshall Grant's Snakebit (Century Center), as well as the Fringe-NYC production of John Pollono's Lost and Found. His Los Angeles theatre credits include productions at Pasadena Playhouse, L.A. Theatre Works, The Theatre @ Boston Court, Fountain Theatre, Evidence Room, Odyssey Theatre, Rogue Machine and Antaeus Theatre Company, where he serves as co-artistic director. He has appeared in the films Life as We Know It, He's Just Not That into You, Ravenous and the upcoming Hypnotized. He has been a television series regular on three Steven Bochco cop shows, "Public Morals," "Total Security" and a 10-year run as cheerful police administrative aide John Irvin on ABC's Emmy Award-winning "NYPD Blue." He is currently recurring for a fifth season as savvy police psychologist Dr. Joe on TNT's "Major Crimes." billbrochtrup.com



Stephen Caffrey Lambert/Sir Robert de Lesseps/ Burbage's Heavy/Abraham

appeared at SCR previously in *Bach* at *Leipzig*. His other credits include *Stage Kiss* and *Yes, Prime Minister* at Geffen Playhouse; *Henry IV* (Falstaff), *King Lear* and *Autumn Gar-*

den at Antaeus Theatre Company; Red at Geva Theatre Center and PlayMakers Repertory Company; Galileo at Cleveland Playhouse; One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest at Portland Center Stage; Victoria Musica at Cincinnati Playhouse; The Constant Wife at Pasadena Playhouse; Heartbreak House at Berkeley Repertory Theatre; The Voysey Inheritance, The Real Thing and A Doll's House at American Conservatory Theater (San Francisco); Thirty Six Views at Laguna Playhouse; The Body of Bourne at Mark Taper Forum; All's Well That Ends Well at Santa Cruz Shakespeare; Bargains at The Old Globe; The Miser at Hartford Stage; I Hate Hamlet at The Royal George Theatre; What You Get and Expect at New York Theatre Workshop; The Scarlet Letter at Classic Stage Company; and *Restoration Comedy* at Seattle Repertory Theatre. His film and television credits include "American Odyssey" (recurring), Cinema Verité, "CSI Miami," "Columbo," "Tour of Duty" (series regular), Longtime Companion, "Chicago Hope," "L.A. Law," Buried Alive, "The Profiler," The Adventures of Young Indiana Jones: Hollywood Follies, Nothing Lasts Forever, Blowback, "Seinfeld" (yada yada) and Murder of Innocence.



CARMELA CORBETT *Viola de Lesseps*

is thrilled to be returning to SCR after appearing in *Smokefall* by Noah Haidle and *Eurydice* by Sarah Ruhl. Corbett is originally from London and a graduate of the Juilliard School in New York

City. In the theatre, she most recently appeared as Sheila Birling in Stephen Daldry's *An Inspector Calls* in London's West End and *The Steward of Christendom* at the Mark Taper Forum (Los Angeles). On the small screen, she can be seen in the iconic series "Mad Men" on AMC and "Undercover" for the BBC and on the big screen in *Rehearsal* with Bruce Greenwood and the upcoming *Mississippi Requiem* with James Franco. As a writer, Corbett's musical short film, *Selah*, is in post-production and the basis for an upcoming feature. Her film, *Her Majesty*, will be shot in Brighton, England, in spring 2018. Currently, she is working away on her first novel based on living, loving and leaving Los Angeles and London.



ALICIA ERLINGER *Mistress Quickly/Molly/Lady in Waiting*

is ecstatic to be making her SCR debut. In addition to acting, she is a theatre educator and advocate. A lifelong lover of Shakespeare, Erlinger has self-produced and per-

formed in *Comedy of Errors*, *As You Like It*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *Much Ado About Nothing*. Her theatre training includes Emerson College, UC Berkeley and South Coast Repertory's Acting Intensive Program.



Bo Foxworth Henslowe

appeared at SCR in *All The Way* and *Amadeus*. Most recently, he was seen in *King Charles III* at Pasadena Playhouse and *Building the Wall* at the Fountain Theatre. His other credits include *Cloud 9* (Los

Angeles Drama Critics Circle Award and *Stage Raw* Best Actor winner), *Henry IV*, *The Liar*, *The Crucible* (Ovation Award nomination), the title role in *Macbeth*, *The Seagull* and *The Malcontent* all with Antaeus Theatre Company. His other theatre work includes Shakespeare Orange County (board member), Skylight Theatre Company, Ensemble Theater Company, La Mirada Theatre, Laguna Playhouse, Geffen Playhouse, Disney Hall, L.A. Theatre Works, The Theatre @ Boston Court, Hol-

lywood Bowl and A Noise Within, where he received two Ovation Award nominations. His New York and regional theatre credits include Lucille Lortel Theatre, The Century Theater, HERE Arts Center, Pearl Theatre Company, Shakespeare Theatre Company, Vienna's English Theatre, Long Wharf Theatre, Baltimore Center Stage, PlayMakers Repertory Company, The Old Globe and Yale Repertory. He has numerous film and television credits including, most recently, "Modern Family," "Veep" and the HBO movie, *All The Way*. He is a graduate of UCLA and received his master's degree at Yale School of Drama.



Nick Gabriel
Ned Alleyn

is an award-winning actor who has played many principal roles at the American Conservatory Theater in San Francisco, including Clov in *Endgame*, opposite Bill Irwin. This is his third production at South

Coast Repertory, having previously appeared in *Ordinary Days* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. He has also played principal roles in mainstage productions at venues such as Milwaukee Repertory Theatre, California Shakespeare Theater, La Jolla Playhouse, New York's Town Hall and Guthrie Theater. Gabriel also played the Soldier in *A Soldier's Tale* with the San Francisco Symphony alongside Grammy Award-winner Elvis Costello and Academy Award-winner Malcolm McDowell. He received a BFA in musical theatre from the University of Michigan and an MFA in acting from A.C.T. He is an assistant professor at Chapman University and a Ten Chimney's Foundation Lunt-Fontanne Fellow. nickgabriel.net



MATTHEW HENERSONRalph/Juliet's Nurse/Catling/
Petruchio

is delighted to return to South Coast Repertory, where he was last seen in *Hamlet*. His local credits include work at the Ahmanson Theatre, A Noise Within, Celebra-

tion Theatre Company, The Colony Theatre Company, Deaf West, East West Players, International City Theatre, Main Street Theatre Company and Musical Theatre West. Regionally, he has appeared at the American Conservatory Theatre, Ensemble Theatre Company, La Jolla Playhouse, New Fortune Theatre Company, Northern Stage, North Coast Repertory, San Diego Repertory, San Jose Repertory, West Virginia Public Theatre and at Shakespeare festivals in Arizona, Colorado, Marin, San Francisco, Santa Cruz and Utah. He spent 2013

touring the country with *Flashdance The Musical*. His film and television credits include "The Bernie Mac Show," "Hung," "The Fosters," "Torn Apart" (Lifetime), "Ticking Clock" (Sony) and "A Christmas Carol," "Mars Needs Moms" and "The Jungle Book"—all for Disney. His recent work includes *12 Angry Men* at the Laguna Playhouse and *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom* at the Mark Taper Forum. Henerson has an MFA from UC San Diego and a BA from Yale.



LEX LEIGH *Musician*

is thrilled to be joining this production of *Shakespeare in Love*, after serving as a musical direction assistant intern on SCR's *Once*. Leigh serves as resident musical director of the Laguna Niguel

Community Theatre, and is an MFA candidate in musical direction at University of California, Irvine. His recent theatre credits include music-directing *Into the Woods* and *Fiddler on the Roof* and appearing as Zoot Doubleman in *1940's Radio Hour*.



Louis Lotorto *Richard Burbage*

previously appeared at SCR in Amadeus; One Man, Two Guvnors; A Christmas Carol; Taking Steps; Hamlet; and Cyrano de Bergerac. Originally from Seattle, now based in LA, he has worked

in regional theatre for almost 30 years. His LA theatre credits include the Ahmanson Theatre (Royal National Theatre touring production of *An Enemy of the People*, with Sir Ian McKellen); International City Theatre; Odyssey Theatre Ensemble; six seasons with A Noise Within, earning an Ovation Award nomination for his portrayal of Camille in A Flea in Her Ear; and The Colony Theatre Company, garnering an award for his portrayal of Tom in *The Glass Menagerie*. His regional credits include two seasons at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, The Shakespeare Theatre Company in Washington, D.C. (Helen Hayes Award nominee for Ariel in The Tempest), four seasons at the California Shakespeare Festival, Berkeley Repertory Theatre, Portland Center Stage, Portland Repertory Theatre, Artists Repertory Theatre, Contemporary American Theatre Festival, ACT (Seattle), San Jose Repertory Theatre, North Coast Repertory Theatre, Rubicon Theatre and Ensemble Theatre Company (Santa Barbara). louislotorto.com



JAMES MACEWAN
Proteus/Waiter/Nol/Guard/
Benvolio/Sampson

was born and raised in Johannesburg, South Africa. He is a graduate of South Coast Repertory's Acting Intensive Program and is thrilled to return to SCR after ap-

pearing in *Peter and the Starcatcher, A Christmas Carol* and *Tartuffe* (2014). Highlights from his South African theatre work include *Mamma Mia, The Rocky Horror Show, Grease, Don't Drink the Water* and *The Beauty Queen of Leenane*. He has appeared in the international television series "Wild at Heart" and the HBO series "Generation Kill." jamesmacewan.com



AARON McGEEValentine/Barman/Peter/Tybalt/
Adam/Gregory/Guard

made his SCR debut last season in *A Christmas Carol*. He has spent most of his time as an actor and volunteer at the Chance Theatre and appeared in their productions

of *The Eight: Reindeer Monologues* and a young audiences production of *The Little Prince*. His other credits include the recurring role of Guildenstern in *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead* and *Hamlet* at American Coast Theatre Company. McGee most recently appeared as The King of Bohemia in Unbound Productions' premiere of *Holmes, Sherlock and the Consulting Detective*. He is a graduate of CSU, Fresno, with a BA in theatre arts, and is a 2016 alumnus of SCR's Acting Intensive Program.



WILLIAM FRANCIS McGUIRE Fennyman

appeared at SCR previously in *All* the Way, A Midsummer Night's Dream, A Wrinkle in Time, The Intelligent Design of Jenny Chow, A Christmas Carol and Tartuffe. He also has worked at the Guthrie The-

ater (The Rover, Naga Mandala, The Seagull, Electra, Iphigenia at Aulis, The Good Hope, Peer Gynt and Billy and Dago, among others), The Shakespeare Theatre Company (Henry V and Macbeth), Bay Street Theater Festival (Tropeano Paints), American Repertory Theatre (Boys Next Door), Yale Repertory Theatre (Search and Destroy) and many others. His film credits include The Day After Tomorrow and Mission: Impossible III. His

television credits include "100 Deeds for Eddie McDowd" (series regular), "CSI," "Castle," "Justified," "Eagleheart," "Criminal Minds: Suspect Behavior," "The Mentalist," "Saving Grace," "Weeds," "Numb3rs," "NCIS," "Without a Trace," as well as a number of Movies of the Week. He is a graduate of the Yale School of Drama.



ELYSE MIRTOQueen Elizabeth I

is making her SCR debut. Most recently, she was seen as the Marquise de Merteuil in *Les Liaisons Dangereuses* at Antaeus Theatre Company. Her other LA theatre credits include *Collective Rage*

(The Theatre @ Boston Court); Barbecue (Geffen Playhouse); Figaro (LA Drama Critics Circle Award nomination) and The Guardsman (A Noise Within); Conviction (Ovation Award nomination, Rubicon Theatre Company); Steel Magnolias (Laguna Playhouse); Twelfth Night, Hamlet, Romeo & Juliet and Much Ado About Nothing (Kingsmen Shakespeare Festival). Her New York theatre credits include White's Lies (off-Broadway), Any Day Now (New York Innovative Theatre Award-winner, lead actress), Next Year in Jerusalem (New York Innovative Theatre Award nomination), Catch the Fish and The Eternal Husband. Her Chicago credits include Goodman Theatre and Chicago Shakespeare Theatre. Her recent television credits include "Grey's Anatomy," "Scandal," "NCIS," "Malibu Gothic" and a recurring guest-starring role on TNT's "The Last Ship." She has appeared in such films as Disturbia and Penny Dreadful, as well as more than 30 national commercials and dozens of independent and short films. Mirto has a BFA in music theatre performance from Western Michigan University and studied at the Royal National Theatre of Great Britain.



NICHOLAS MONGIARDO-COOPER Frees/Wabash/Prince/Bishop

is thrilled to appear again on the Segerstrom Stage after playing Billy in *Once* earlier this season. He has appeared off-Broadway in *Rothschild & Sons, Lonesome Traveler* and *Julius Caesar*. His

other New York credits include *SubUrbia*, *Iolanthe*, *Slavs!*, *Three Days of Rain* and *Not About Nightingales*. His regional appearances include *Our Lady of 121st St.*, *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and La Jolla Playhouse's *Side Show*. His North Coast Repertory appearances include *Of Mice and Men*, *Side By Side By Sondheim*,

Sherlock Holmes, Laughter on the 23rd Floor and the world premiere of Words By: Ira Gershwin and the Great American Songbook, for which he received a Critics Circle Award nomination for Best Actor. His nine Theatre for Young Audiences appearances at SCR include Lucky Duck, The Borrowers and The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane. His television credits include "Fuller House" (Netflix, WB) "Superstore" (NBCUniversal) and "Casual" (Hulu). He attended LaGuardia High School of The Performing Arts and received a BFA from NYU. He has been a proud Equity member since 2003. nicholasmongiardocooper.com



DAVID NEVELL *Edmund Tilney*

previously appeared at SCR in *Peter and the Starcatcher* and *Arms and the Man*. He just finished *Twelve Angry Men* at Laguna Playhouse, where he also appeared in *The Odd Couple*. His

other recent appearances include A Walk in the Woods and God of Carnage at International City Theatre, Twelfth Night at New Swan Shakespeare, The Morini Strad at The Colony and The Scene at Ensemble Theatre Company of Santa Barbara. He has appeared at Shakespeare Center of Los Angeles (Comedy of Errors, Twelfth Night, Romeo & Juliet), Huntington Theatre Company (Amphitryon), Pittsburgh Public Theatre (The Crucible), Utah Shakespeare Festival (Henry VIII, The Tempest), Geva Theatre (A Christmas Carol), La Mirada Theatre (Crazy for You, On Borrowed Time, My Fair Lady), San Jose Repertory (The Game of Love and Chance) and at Pacific Conservatory Theatre/PCPA (Light Up the Sky, The Winter's Tale, Arcadia, Macbeth, Amadeus, Anything Goes, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Cinderella and Twelfth Night). Nevell earned his MFA in drama at UC Irvine and his BA in political science at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. davidnevell.com



BING PUTNEYJohn Webster

is making his SCR debut. He appeared as Crumpet in *The Santaland Diaries* at Triad Stage, in *This Beautiful City* (Humana Festival of New American Plays), *A Christmas Carol* and *Hedwig and the Angry*

Inch at Actors Theatre of Louisville and *The Final Toast* at the International Mystery Writer's Festival. His television credits include "Eastbound and Down," "One Tree Hill" and "Dawson's Creek."



ADAM SILVERActor/Robin/Boatman/Lady
Capulet

is making his SCR debut. He has acted in theatre internationally, regionally, in LA and in his hometown of Chicago. His recent stage credits include *Exit Strategy* and *Hit the*

Wall (both west coast premieres in LA), Bad Jews (German premiere at The English Theatre Frankfurt and Ensemble Theatre Company in Santa Barbara), Sons of the Prophet (The Blank Theatre), Stupid F**king Bird (Ovation Award nomination, The Theatre @ Boston Court), as well as work with Center Theatre Group, Pasadena Playhouse, A Noise Within and Getty Villa. His television credits include "Transparent," "Masters of Sex," "NCIS," "The Great Indoors," "Community," "Wedding Band," "Torchwood" and "Californication." IAmAdamSilver.com



Paul David Story *Will Shakespeare*

previously appeared in *Red* at SCR and the NewSCRipts reading of *Death of the Author*. His Broadway credits include stand-in for Alan Strang in *Equus* and Junius Urban in *The Caine Mutiny Court Mar*-

tial. His off-Broadway credits include Our Leading Lady at Manhattan Theatre Club and The Basic Training of Pavlo Hummel at The Public Theater. Regionally, he has appeared in The Lion in Winter at The Colony Theatre Company, Romeo in Romeo and Juliet at Arizona Theater Company, The Tempest and Cymbeline at A Noise Within, Macbeth and The Lion in Winter at Ensemble Theatre Company and Pride & Prejudice at Dallas Theater Center. His directing credits include My Sister by Janet Schlapkohl at LA Fringe Festival and co-directing at Odyssey Theatre Ensemble. His film and television credits include In Time, American Violet, The Undying, St. Nick, Vartan LLP, "The Mentalist," "Body of Proof," "Nip/ Tuck" and "Law & Order: SVU." He is the founder and artistic director of the USC Neighborhood Academic Initiative Theatre Workshop. Story graduated from University of North Carolina School of the Arts.



Scott Waara *Musician*

is delighted to return to SCR this season, after appearing in *Once* this fall, and previously in *The Fantastiks* and *The Education of Randy Newman*. He was awarded Tony and Drama Desk awards for *The*

Most Happy Fella on Broadway and appeared in the original casts of City of Angels, Welcome to the Club and Wind in the Willows. His off-Broadway credits include DuBarry Was A Lady, Falsettoland, The Dining Room and The Rise and Rise of Daniel Rocket. His regional credits include title roles in Mack and Mabel, Candide and Lucky Guy. Waara toured in South Pacific and the first national tour of Once, worked at the Berkshire Theatre Festival, Eugene O'Neill Theater Center and appeared in Songs From The Tall Grass and Is There Life After High School? (Ford's Theatre). His Los Angeles theatre credits include They're Playing Our Song, The People vs. Mona, Sweeney Todd, The Boys From Syracuse, She Loves Me, Company and as Mark Twain and the voice of Huck in the Deaf West/Mark Taper Forum revival of Big River. After playing mandolin and banjo in Once, Waara, a lifelong guitarist, is thrilled to help bring the beautiful music of Shakespeare in Love to life!



AMELIA WHITE Nurse

has appeared at SCR in A Christmas Carol, Silent Sky, Misalliance, The Heiress and The Importance of Being Earnest. Most recently, she appeared in the national tour of The Curious Incident of the Dog in the

Night Time. On Broadway, she appeared in Crazy for You and The Heiress and off-Broadway in The Butter and Egg Man at Atlantic Theater Company and The Accrington Pals at Hudson Guild Theatre Company. Her Los Angeles appearances include Peace in Our Time at The Antaeus Company (where she is a company member), Bold Girls at The Matrix Theatre Company, Ernest in Love at Fremont Centre Theatre, Heathen Valley at Stella Adler Theatre and Mirror, Mirror at Cast Theatre. Her career has taken her across the U.S., working in many wonderful regional theatres including Hartford Stage, The Cleveland Play House, Guthrie Theater, Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park, Denver Center Theatre Company, The Old Globe and the Weston Playhouse Theatre Company in Weston, Vt. She is a proud member of Actors' Equity Association.



FLEUR ZANNA Kate/Lady in Waiting

moved to Los Angeles from London, England, after successfully attaining a place at the prestigious American Academy of Dramatic Arts. Since graduation, she has enjoyed performing in both the independent

film and new media circuits. Some of her favorite projects so far include *The Fight for Love* and *Life as a Mermaid*. Zanna is an alumna of SCR's 2017 Acting Intensive Pro-

gram, where her love for the stage grew further. Being a London girl at heart, she is thrilled to be making her South Coast Repertory debut in *Shakespeare in Love* with such an amazing group of people.

PLAYWRIGHT, DIRECTOR AND DESIGNERS

LEE HALL (Adaptation) was born in Newcastle upon Tyne and studied English literature at Cambridge University. He has worked as a writer in theatre, TV, radio and film and has been a writer in residence at the Royal Shakespeare Company and Live Theatre, Newcastle upon Tyne. His theatre credits include Wittgenstein on Tyne, Live Theatre (1996); Bollocks, Royal Shakespeare Company Fringe (1998); Genie, Paines Plough (1998); Cooking with Elvis, Live Theatre/West End (1999; nominated, Olivier Award, Best Comedy); Spoonface Steinberg, Ambassadors Theatre, London (2000); Two's Company, Live Theatre/Bristol Old Vic (2001); Billy Elliot the Musical (2004; Olivier Award, Best Musical); Pitmen Painters, Live Theatre, Newcastle/Royal National Theatre/national tour/Broadway (2007-10). His theatre adaptations include Leonce and Lena (Buchner), The Gate Theatre (1997); Mr. Puntila and bis Man Matti (Brecht) Almedia Theatre (1998); A Servant to Two Masters (Goldoni) RSC/Young Vic (1999); The Adventures of Pinocchio (Collodi), Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith (2000); Mother Courage (Brecht), Shared Experience/Ambassadors Theatre; The Good Hope (Heijermans) Royal National Theatre (2001); The Barber of Seville (Beaumarchais), Bristol Old Vic (2003). For opera, his adaptations include Il Pagliacci/The Comedians for the English National Opera (2008). For television and film, he has adapted Spoonface Steinberg, BBC (1997); A Prince of Hearts, BBC (1998); Wind in the Willows, BBC (2007) and Billy Elliot, Working Title Films (2000). His screenplay for War Horse, directed by Steven Spielberg, came out in 2011.

PADDY CUNNEEN (Music) is a composer and musical director, who has worked on some 250 theatre productions around the world including The National Theatre, Royal Shakespeare Company, Abbey Dublin, Donmar Warehouse, Druid Theatre, Cheek By Jowl, Liverpool Everyman, London's West End and on Broadway. His theatre music awards in the U.K. include the Christopher Whelen Award and two Critics Awards for Theatre in Scotland. He has composed for BBC Radio and for several films, being BAFTA-nominated for his score for Boy A. He won a Music Industry Award for best cast album for his work on the London production of Stephen Sondheim's Company. He founded and ran The Sirens of Titan Choir in Glasgow. He has written eight plays, variously performed on BBC Radio, in theatres across Scotland, Holland, at Teatro Picolo in Milan and at the Abbey in Dublin—two of which, Fleeto and

Honorary Producers

SANDY SEGERSTROM DANIELS is underwriting her fourth production at SCR in three years, following *Amadeus, Destiny of Desire* and *Moby Dick*. She has been a First Nights subscriber since the 1980s, a Platinum Circle donor since 2001 and a frequent Gala underwriter. She has also been part of The Playwrights Circle, helping sponsor three world-premiere productions featured in the Pacific Playwrights Festival. A lifelong and passionate advocate for the arts, Sandy is a member of the renowned Segerstrom family, philanthropic leaders in Orange County whose gift of land to SCR in the 1970s is the site of the David Emmes/Martin Benson Theatre Centre.

JEAN & TIM WEISS stand among SCR's most staunch supporters, with more than two decades of leadership involvement including now having served as Honorary Producers for an astounding 19 productions, among them last season's *The Monster Builder*. Tim also served nine years on the SCR Board of Trustees including two terms as its president, and was named an esteemed Honorary Trustee in 2009. Jean chaired the very successful 2008 Gala, celebrating SCR's 45th anniversary. Together, they were major donors to the Next Stage and Legacy Campaigns and take great pride in their involvement in SCR's rise to the top echelon of America's regional theatres.

Wee Andy, won awards at the Edinburgh, Adelaide and Brighton Fringe festivals.

MARC MASTERSON (Director/Artistic Director) has expanded SCR's community and artistic initiatives and produced dozens of world premieres including A Doll's House, Part 2 by Lucas Hnath, Vietgone by Qui Nguyen, *Mr. Wolf* by Rajiv Joseph and *Office Hour* by Julia Cho. In recent years, SCR productions have transferred to some of the leading theatres in the country including Manhattan Theatre Club, Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Berkeley Repertory Theatre and The Goodman Theatre. His recent directing credits include All the Way, Going to a Place where you Already Are, Zealot, Death of a Salesman, Eurydice and Elemeno Pea at SCR; Hand to God at the Alliance Theatre; Bybalia, Mississippi by Evan Linder at the Contemporary American Theatre Festival; As You Like It for the Houston Shakespeare Festival; and The Kite Runner at Actors Theatre of Louisville and the Cleveland Play House. He served for 11 years as artistic director of Actors Theatre of Louisville and produced the Humana Festival of New American Plays, where he produced more than 100 world premieres, expanded audiences and the repertoire, deepened arts education programs and spearheaded numerous community-based projects. The world premieres he directed at the Humana Festival include works by Charles Mee, Wendell Berry, Craig Wright, Eric Coble, Adam Bock, Gina Gionfriddo, Melanie Marnich, and Rick Dresser. His other Louisville directing credits include A Midsummer Night's Dream, Shipwrecked! An Entertainment, Glengarry Glen Ross, The Tempest, Mary's Wedding and The Crucible. He served as artistic director of City Theatre in Pittsburgh for 20 years and was founder and chairman of the Greater Pittsburgh Arts Alliance. He has served as a theatre advisory panel member for the National Endowment for the Arts, as well as numerous foundations. He won the Man of the Year Vectors Award, and received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Pittsburgh New Works Festival.

SCOTT WAARA (*Music Director*) See bio on page 12.

RALPH FUNICELLO (Scenic Design) returns for his 31st season. Among his many SCR credits are designs for Once, All the Way, Red, Zealot, 4000 Miles, Elemeno Pea, Misalliance, Hamlet, Brooklyn Boy, Major Barbara, The Circle, Private Lives, Six Degrees of Separation, She Stoops to Folly, Buried Child, Good and Da. His work has been seen on- and off-Broadway and at many resident theatres including Lincoln Center Theater, Mark Taper Forum, The American Conservatory Theater, Huntington Theatre Company, Intiman Theatre, Seattle Repertory Theatre, Denver Center Theatre Company, Berkeley Repertory Theatre, Guthrie Theater, McCarter Theatre Center, Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Milwaukee Repertory Theatre, The Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford Shakespearean Festival of Canada, Royal Shakespeare Company, Theatre Royal Bath and The Old Globe, where he is an associate artist. He also has designed for New York City Opera, LA Opera and San Diego Opera. He has been nominated for New York Drama Desk, Outer Critics Circle, Lucille Lortel and Tony awards. He received the Merritt Award for Excellence in Design and Collaboration and his designs have been recognized by the Bay Area Theatre Critics Circle, the Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle, Drama-Logue, Backstage West and the United States Institute for Theatre Technology. Funicello is the Powell Chair in Set Design at San Diego State University.

Susan Tsu (*Costume Design*) is an award-winning costume designer whose designs have graced the stages of major League of Resident Theatre theatres in the U.S., as well as international venues. Her production high-

lights include the hit musical Godspell, The Joy Luck Club and The Balcony at Moscow's Bolshoi Theatre. Her awards include the Carol Brown Creative Achievement, Irene Sharaff Lifetime Achievement, NY Drama Desk, NY Drama Critics, NY Young Film Critics and LA Distinguished Designer awards, as well as a Kennedy Center Medal of Achievement. Her designs have been seen in China, Russia, the Pacific Rim and the Czech Republic, as well as in numerous exhibitions, books and publications. Tsu co-curated the U.S. exhibitions for the 2007 Prague Quadrennial. She co-curated Costume at the Turn of the Century: 1990-2015 and is chief curator for a new exhibition featuring the work of emerging designers, Innovative Costume of the 21st Century: The Next Generation, premiering in Moscow in 2019. Earlier this season, Tsu designed Gem of the Ocean at SCR. She headed the costume programs at Boston University, the University of Texas at Austin and currently is at Carnegie Mellon University, her alma mater.

JAYMI LEE SMITH (*Lighting Design*) is thrilled to be at SCR again after working on Orange, All the Way, Vietgone, Peter and the Starcatcher, The Stinky Cheese Man, Topdog/Underdog, Lucky Duck and Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business. She has been designing around the country for the last 20 years at theatres such as Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Dallas Theater Center, Steppenwolf Theatre Company, The Alley Theatre, La Jolla Playhouse, Goodman Theatre, Denver Center for the Performing Arts, The Court Theatre, Pasadena Playhouse, Hartford Stage, Alliance Theatre, Getty Villa, Utah Shakespeare Festival, Milwaukee Repertory Theatre and Lookingglass Theatre Company. Her work also has been seen in China, Italy, Spain, Scotland and Ireland. Her awards include the 2003 Michael Merritt/Michael Maggio Emerging Designer Award, a 2014 Column Award, a 2016 Sage Award and a 2010 Joseph Jefferson Award. She currently is a professor of lighting design at UC Irvine. Her website is jaymismith.com.

JEFF POLUNAS (Sound Design) is thrilled to be designing for this production. Polunas received his MFA in sound design at UC Irvine and is currently the production sound engineer at CSU Fullerton. He has designed more than 120 productions in his career. His credits include Venus in Fur, Ella Enchanted, Flora & Ulysses, Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing, Ivy & Bean and Between Us Chickens (SCR); Les Liaisons Dangereuses (Antaeus Theatre Company); Silent Sky, Fences, Abigail/1702, Walk in the Woods, Uncanny Valley (International City Theatre); Passion Play, Seminar and A Bright New Boise (The Chance Theater) The Full Monty, Peter Pan, The Wedding Singer and The Producers (Summer Repertory Theatre); and Company, Much Ado About Nothing and The Importance of Being

Earnest (PCPA Theaterfest). He received the 2017 and 2015 Scenie Award for Sound Design. He has been nominated for NAACP, *StageRaw* and Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival (KCACTF) awards.

Annie Loui (*Choreography*) works as a director/choreographer and is the artistic director of Counter-Balance Theater. She trained with dancer Carolyn Carlson (at the Paris Opera) and studied in France with Etienne Decroux, Ella Jarosivitcz and Jerzy Grotowski. Her original physical theatre performances have been seen in France, Monaco, West Germany, Italy and in the United States at Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, among other venues. She was the resident choreographer for the American Repertory Theater in Boston, and has choreographed for Signature Theater in New York City; Trinity Repertory Theater in Providence, RI; and for the Orchestra of St. Luke's, NYC. She taught extensively for the Institute for Advanced Theater Training at Harvard before coming to the University of California, Irvine, where she now runs the movement program for the MFA Actor Training Program. She is the author of The Physical Actor (Routledge Press). http://counter-balancetheater.com/

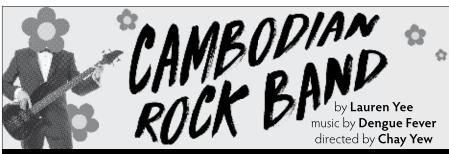
KEN MERCKX (*Fight Director*) has choreographed fights and taught actors combat for film, television and at universities all across the country. He is presently a faculty member at AMDA College and Conservatory of Performing Arts (Hollywood). He is the resident fight choreographer for the Idaho Shakespeare Festival, Great Lakes Theater (Cleveland), Lake Tahoe Shakespeare Festival and A Noise Within (Los Angeles). Merckx received his MFA in acting from University of Illinois and his BA in theatre studies from the University of Washington.

DAVID NEVELL (*Vocal & Dialect Coach*) is an actor, educator and specialist in voice, dialects, text and movement. He has provided extensive voice, dialect and text coaching for South Coast Repertory, Pasadena Playhouse, Cornerstone Theatre Company, Laguna Playhouse, REDCAT, Toi Whakaari and PCPA, among others. He is a senior

editor at the International Dialects of English Archive (IDEA), and a certified associate teacher of Fitzmaurice Voicework. He has worked as a vocal consultant to Walt Disney Entertainment Productions continually since 2006. As a director and educator, he has served on the faculty of Toi Whakaari: New Zealand Drama School, Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts, Collaborative Arts Project (Tisch/CAP21), Marymount Manhattan College and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Since 2004, he has served as head of voice/movement, MFA program coordinator and professor of theatre and dance at Cal State Fullerton. He is regularly invited to teach master classes and workshops in the U.S. and abroad.

ROXANA KHAN (Stage Manager) is returning to SCR for her second season, after working last season on The Siegel, All the Way and Mr. Popper's Penguins. Her New York credits include Kate Hamill's world premiere of Pride and Prejudice, a co-production with the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival and Primary Stages, where it ran off-Broadway. She recently spent five seasons at Tony Award-winning Oregon Shakespeare Festival on Guys and Dolls, Head Over Heels, The Count of Monte Cristo, The Cocoanuts, Into the Woods, King Lear, The Tenth Muse, Romeo and Juliet, Animal Crackers and Henry IV, Part II. Her Los Angeles credits include A Cinderella Christmas (Lythgoe Family Panto, Pasadena Playhouse), The Golden Dragon (The Theatre @ Boston Court), Guys and Dolls and Into the Woods (The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts), Godspell, The Boxcar Children and Charlotte's Web (Laguna Playhouse) and Kirk Douglas Theatre. She has stage-managed play festivals, readings and workshops along the west coast. She earned her degree from Biola University and is a proud member of Actors' Equity Association.

Sue Karutz (Assistant Stage Manager) toured with Robert Wilson's The Black Rider (London, San Francisco, Sydney, Los Angeles), Wicked (Chicago, LA, San Francisco), Les Misérables (more than 100 cities across the U.S., Canada, China and Korea) and Cirque du





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Soleil's *Corteo* (Russia and Belgium). Her first union contract was in 1997, off-Broadway on *Howard Crabtree's When Pigs Fly*. Karutz has been part of the stage management team at SCR for more than 20 productions, her favorites being Lookingglass Theatre Company's *Moby Dick* in 2016; *One Man, Two Guvnors* from Berkeley Repertory Theatre in 2015; and this season's *Once*. Elsewhere, she has stage-managed at the Ahmanson and Kirk Douglas theatres, Los Angeles Opera, Pasadena Playhouse, Falcon Theatre, Deaf West Theatre, Laguna Playhouse, American Conservatory Theater, La Jolla Playhouse, Idaho Shakespeare Festival, Utah Shakespeare Festival, Alpine Theatre Project and The National Theatre of the Deaf and is also a staff stage manager at Disneyland.

PAULA TOMEI (Managing Director) is responsible for the overall administration of SCR. She has been managing director since 1994 and a member of SCR's staff since 1979. She is a past president of the board of Theatre Communications Group (TCG), the national service organization for theatre. In addition, she served as treasurer of TCG, vice president of the League of Resident Theatres (LORT) and as a member of the LORT Negotiating Committee for industry-wide union agreements. She represents SCR at national conferences of TCG and LORT and served as a theatre panelist and site visitor for the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and the California Arts Council. Her teaching background includes a graduate class in non profit management at UC Irvine (UCI) and as a guest lecturer in the graduate school of business at Stanford. She was appointed by the chancellor to UCI's Community Arts Council, serves on the Dean's Leadership Society Executive Committee for the School of Social Sciences at UCI and is a member of the College of Arts Dean's Task Force for California State University, Fullerton. She is also on the board of Arts Orange County, the county-wide arts council, and the board of the Nicholas Endowment. She graduated from UCI with a degree in economics and pursued an additional course of study in theatre and dance. In March 2017, she received the Mayor's Award from the City of Costa Mesa for her contributions to the arts community.

MARTIN BENSON (Founding Artistic Director), cofounder of SCR, has directed nearly one-fourth of SCR's productions. In 2008, he and David Emmes received the Margo Jones Award for their lifetime com-

mitment to theatre excellence and fostering the art and craft of American playwriting. They also accepted SCR's 1988 Tony Award for Outstanding Resident Professional Theatre and won the 1995 Theatre LA Ovation Award for Lifetime Achievement. Benson has received the Los Angeles Drama Critics Circle Award for Distinguished Achievement in Directing an unparalleled seven times for George Bernard Shaw's Major Barbara, Misalliance and Heartbreak House; John Millington Synge's Playboy of the Western World; Arthur Miller's The Crucible; Sally Nemeth's Holy Days; and the world premiere of Margaret Edson's Pulitzer Prize-winning Wit, which he also directed at Seattle Repertory Theatre and Houston's Alley Theatre. He has directed American classics such as A Streetcar Named Desire and has distinguished himself in staging contemporary work including the critically acclaimed California premiere of William Nicholson's Shadowlands. He directed revivals of Beth Henley's Abundance and Horton Foote's The Trip to Bountiful; and Samuel D. Hunter's The Whale and Rest (world premiere); The Whipping Man by Matthew Lopez; and The Roommate by Jen Silverman (west coast premiere). Benson received his BA in theatre from San Francisco State University.

DAVID EMMES (Founding Artistic Director) is cofounder of South Coast Repertory. He received the Margo Jones Award for his lifetime commitment to theatre excellence and to fostering the art of American playwriting. In addition, he has received numerous awards for productions he has directed during his SCR career. He directed the world premieres of Amy Freed's Safe in Hell, The Beard of Avon and Freedomland; Thomas Babe's Great Day in the Morning; Keith Reddin's Rum and Coke and But Not for Me; and Neal Bell's *Cold Sweat*; the American premieres of Terry Johnson's Unsuitable for Adults; and Joe Penhall's Dumb Show; and the Southland premiere of Top Girls (at SCR and the Westwood Playhouse). Other productions he has directed include Red, New England, Arcadia, The Importance of Being Earnest, Woman in Mind and You Never Can Tell, which he restaged for the Singapore Festival of Arts. He has served as a theatre panelist and onsite evaluator for the National Endowment for the Arts, as well as a panelist for the California Arts Council. After attending Orange Coast College, he received his BA and MA from San Francisco State University and his PhD from USC.



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