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The New Orleans Shakespeare Festival at Tulane presents *A Midsummer Nights Dream* for schools across the Gulf South

A prestigious grant from The National Endowment for the Arts helps the Festival bring Shakespeare to thousands of students

New Orleans, LA – In keeping with Tulane University's commitment to serve the community, and as a part of the Festival's mission to provide educational resources to schools, the Festival presents its annual Performances for the Schools program in January. Some 5,000 students from across the Gulf South will attend the performances of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in Tulane's Dixon Hall.

The 2015 production runs January 7-9 and 13-16 at 10:00 am. There will also be one public performance on the evening of Friday January 9 at 7:30 pm.

This year, the Festival's production is part of Shakespeare in American Communities, a program of the National Endowment for the Arts in partnership with Arts Midwest. As a recipient of a \$25,000 grant, the Festival will provide free tickets to hundreds of students from underserved schools. Other students can attend the show for only \$10.

Additional recipients of this year's grant include Actors Theatre of Louisville, the Alabama Shakespeare Festival, the American Shakespeare Center, The Folger Theatre, The Guthrie Theatre, The Oregon Shakespeare Festival, and Shakespeare & Company.

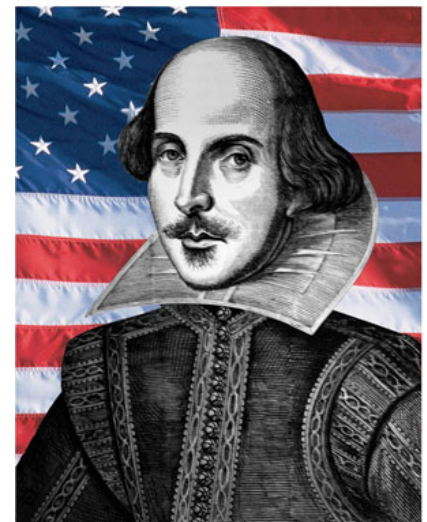
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