

ACTORS FROM THE LONDON STAGE FALL TOUR 2015





A Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare

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Thurs Nov 5, 7pm Fri Nov 6, 7pm Sat Nov 7, 4pm Washington Hall Lab Theatre

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Director's Note

Traditionally, *Pericles Prince of Tyre* has flown well under the radar of Shakespearean scholars, theatre companies, and enthusiasts. No longer. With this performance, the Not-so-Royal Shakespeare Company is bringing *Pericles* to the Notre Dame campus for the first time ever, and we could not be more excited about this opportunity. Through the course of this production process, I have been privileged to watch every one of our actors pour their hearts and souls into the characters and story of *Pericles*. I am inexpressibly proud of the progress they have all made. The plot of *Pericles* revolves around an incredible journey around the Mediterranean, and while the weather in South Bend is regrettably dissimilar to that area of the world, I know that this production has been a remarkable journey for everyone involved. We cannot wait to share that journey with you.

I would like to extend special thanks to Casey Dinaro. Without your amazing and dedicated work, this show would never have happened, and I would have likely died in the attempt. I would also like to thanks all the members of our incredible production team, specifically, Liz Konicek, Caitlin Crosby, Jack Fazzino, Devon Gonzalez, Chris Ray, Tori Babcock, Kat Van Vleet, and everyone at Washington Hall. The work you have all done to organize, promote, costume, and give sound to this show is invaluable. Your talents and dedication never cease to amaze me. Additionally, I would like to thank our advisor, Scott Jackson, for the endless guidance and moral support that carried me through this process. Finally, I am grateful to you, the audience, for taking the time to see our show. I sincerely hope you enjoy it.

Crew

Director:Michael VaclavStage Manager:Cassandra DineroAssistant Stage Manager:Caitlin CrosbySound Designer:Christopher RayLight Operator:Michael VaclavCostume Designer:Tori Babcock

Special Thanks

Shakespeare at ND

Notre Dame Department of Film, Television, and Theatre

The DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

The Robinson Community Learning Center

Scott Jackson

Christy Burgess

Peter Holland

Kat Van Vleet, Ron Grisoli, and the Washington Hall Staff

--Michael

Cast (In order of appearance)



Hye Sim Chung as Second Fisherman, Second Pirate, Gentleman



Clare Urbanski as Third Fisherman, Third Pirate, Vestal Virgin





Sabrina Battiston as Simonides Devon Gonzalez as Thaisa, Pandar



Tori Babcock as Marina



Anna Brown as Cerimon, Diana

Plot Summary

The Pericles Family

After discovering a dark secret about Antiochus, the powerful king of Antioch, Pericles is forced to flee from the assassin that Antiochus sends after him. In the course of this journey, Pericles leaves the rule of his home, Tyre, in the hands of his advisor, Helicanus, saves the starving people of Tarsus, and wins the hand of the beautiful Thaisa. On the timely death of Antiochus, Pericles returns to Tyre, but tragedy strikes on the voyage. While sailing through a storm, Thaisa dies during childbirth, and Pericles is forced to throw her body overboard and leave his daughter, Marina, at Tarsus to be raised. Unknown to Pericles, Thaisa in fact survives her ordeal, but the family has been scattered to the ends of the earth. Will they ever manage to be reunited?

Cleon and Dionyza

As the rulers of Tarsus, Cleon and Dionyza are forever indebted to Pericles for saving their state from starvation. When Pericles arrives with his new daughter, following, Thaisa's death, Cleon readily agrees to raise the child for Pericles. Dionyza, however, is reluctant to see her own daughter neglected on Marina's account, and envy breeds desperate deeds.

Bawd and Pandar

The owners of one of Mytilene's less popular brothels, Bawd and Pandar are facing bankruptcy and a loss of perceived respectability. Their one employee, Boult, has more interest in the women of the brothel than in doing any work, and something drastic has to change to offer any hope of turning the business around. Perhaps if they could buy a new girl from the Dread Pirate Valdez, their prospects would improve. Then again, perhaps not.

John Gower

Born in England around 1330CE, John Gower was an influential English poet and a personal friend of Geoffrey Chaucer. Tonight, he has returned to recount the tale of *Pericles Prince of Tyre*. While he may struggle at times to maintain control of his narrative, to stay out of the action, and to form immaculate rhymes, he does mean well, and his story is certainly one worth listening to.

Cast (In order of appearance)





Abbey Schnell as John Gower Erik Mickiewicz as Antiochus, First Knight



Jonathan Williams as Pericles



s Ziyu Cui as Daughter of Antiochus, First Sailor, Tyrian Sailor



Alyssa Ngo as Thaliard, Second Sailor, Boult



Anne Horcher as Messenger, Leonine

Cast (In order of appearance)



Graciela Baez-Chavez as Helicanus, Bawd



Jordan Schilling as Lychorida, Lord of Tyre



Cassidy Leyendecker as Dionyza



Meredith Soward as First Lord of Tyre, First Lord of Pentapolis, Lysimachus



Ryan Palmer as Cleon, Escanes



Iliana Contreras as First Gentleman, First Pirate, First Servant