PERICLES

PRINCE OF TYRE

WRITTEN BY WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE DIRECTED BY ROB CLARE MARCH 6 - 9, 2014 BING THEATRE

USC School of Dramatic Arts











USC School of Dramatic Arts Spring 2014 SCHEDULE

MFA ACTING SPRING REPERTORY

Scene Dock Theatre | February 8-March 9

Our Town By Thornton Wilder | Directed by Cameron Watson Trojan Women By David Bridel & the MFA Acting Class of 2014 Directed by David Bridel

Tartu~ e

By Molière | Translation by Richard Wilbur Directed by Andrew J. Robinson

The Art of Success

By Nick Dear | Directed by Stephanie Shroyer McClintock Theatre | February 27-March 2

Pericles

By William Shakespeare | Directed by Rob Clare Bing Theatre | March 6-9 A spring production that showcases our second-year Master of Fine Arts Acting students.

La Ronde

By Arthur Schnitzler | Directed by Jack Rowe Scene Dock Theatre | April 3-6

Grand Hotel, The Musical

Book by Luther Davis Music and Lyrics by George Forrest and Robert Wright Based on Vicki Baum's Grand Hotel | By arrangement with Turner Broadcasting Co., Owner of the motion picture Grand Hotel Additional music and lyrics by Maury Yeston Directed by John Rubinstein Bing Theatre | April 3-13

Fortinbras

By Lee Blessing | Directed by Jennifer Chang McClintock Theatre | April 10-13

NEW WORKS FESTIVAL: YEAR TWO

Massman Theatre | April 11-27

The Dining Room

By A.R. Gurney | Directed by Louie Piday McClintock Theatre | April 24-27

Kokoro

By Velina Hasu Houston | Directed by Tamara Ruppart Scene Dock Theatre | April 24-27

NEW WORKS FESTIVAL: YEAR THREE

McClintock Theatre | May 27-31

SHOWTIMES

Thu. & Fri. at 7pm · Sat. at 2:30 & 8pm · Sun. at 2:30pm

TICKET PRICES

PLAYS: General Admission \$10 \cdot Seniors or USC Faculty/Staff with ID \$8 USC Students with ID \$5

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PERICE OF TYRE

By William Shakespeare

with

Michael Bernardi • Alejandro Buceta • Kimberli Flores Brent Ingram • Ukamaka Izuchi • Danielle Larson Amador Plascencia • Patrick Pote • Elmira Rahim Sedale Threatt Jr.

SCENIC DESIGN Takeshi Kata Hazel Ko COSTUME DESIGN Amelia Brookins LIGHTING DESIGN Ryan Liu

SOUND DESIGN Emma Bramble STAGE MANAGER Summer Grubaugh

DIRECTED BY Rob Clare

March 6-9, 2014 Bing Theatre Rob Clare has taught, coached and/or directed Shakespeare all over the world, including first acting and then working as a freelance verse and text specialist for the UK's Royal Shakespeare Company. U.S. credits include the Marin Shakespeare Company, Kentucky Shakespeare, Steppenwolf, The American Shakespeare Center (Staunton, VA), NYU Tisch (Graduate Acting), and The Juilliard School. Most recently, he devised and appeared in an evening celebrating Shakespeare's work at the Kennedy Center, Washington D.C., alongside a quartet from the National Symphony Orchestra, award-winning actor Andre Braugher, and the actress Reiko Aylesworth, to whom he is married. They live in New York City.

DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Pericles is one of Shakespeare's later and lesser-known plays, and unique amongst them in the number of locations that the main character visits – his journey is something of an odyssey, spanning more than fourteen years; and indeed the play's narrative references and draws upon ancient Greek stories and myths. This in itself presents something of a challenge for the design team, as well as for the director; and of course for the actors – stand by for a lot of doubling! The plot is almost fantastical, and yet Shakespeare's chosen figure as narrator is Gower, an old English poet himself notable for rigorously delineated moral fables. It is this strong moral compass, combined with Shakespeare's usual compassion for struggling humanity and the complexity of even the most extreme characters which he draws, that keeps the narrative grounded, and makes what Gower introduces as 'an old song' still resonant and relevant to us today.

I hope you enjoy watching the production as much as I have enjoyed working on it. It has been a delight to be temporarily resident here at USC, and to tackle this wonderful and challenging piece with such a strong and committed cast and company. My thanks to one and all.

SPECIAL THANKS

Alex Sovronsky, Reiko Aylesworth, Clare Reidy

CHARACTERS AND LOCATIONS (In Order of Appearance)

Gower, the narrator	Patrick Pote	
ANTIOCH		
Antiochus the Great	Amador Plascencia	
His daughter		
Pericles, Prince of Tyre	Aleiandro Buceta	
Thaliard, a lord of Antioch	Sedale Threatt Jr.	
TYRE		
Two Tyrian lords	Elmira Rahim	
	Danielle Larson	
Helicanus, a counselor	Michael Bernardi	
TARSUS		
Cleon, the Governor	Brent Ingram	
Dionyza, his wife	Kimberli Flores	
PENTAPOLIS	Michael Demonstr	
First Fisherman		
Second Fisherman		
Third Fisherman	Brent Ingram	
King Simonides	Amador Plascencia	
Thaisa, his daughter	Ukamaka izuchi	
Lychorida, a nurse	Elmira Ranim	
EPHESUS		
Cerimon, a wise man	Amador Plascencia	
Philemon		
Cerimon's attendant		
TARSUS (fourteen years later)		
Leonine, a lord	Sedale Threatt Jr.	
Marina, daughter of Pericles	Danielle Larson	
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MYTILENE		
The Pandar, keeper of a brothel		
The Bawd, his wife		
Boult, their servant		
Lysimachus, Governor of Mytilene	Sedale Threatt Jr.	
The Goddess Diana	Kimberli Flores	
Other unnerged larde ladies addies accords wights winter		
Other unnamed lords, ladies, soldiers, seamen, knights, pirates,		
whores, priestesses, starving Tarsans, servants and attendants		

played by members of the company.

TIME AND PLACE

The action takes place long ago, and spans fourteen years. The locations are various as above.

There will be one intermission. The action of the second half of the play takes place fourteen years later.

ADDITIONAL TEXT AND CHARACTER WORK Reiko Aylesworth

LOVE SONG MUSIC Alexander Sovronsky LOVE SONG LYRICS Clare Reidy

PRODUCTION STAFF

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Fight Choreography	Edgar Landa
Dance Choreography	Kimberli Flores
Scenic Artist	Vika Teplinskaya
Apprentice Stage Manager	Kathryn Meister
Costume PA	Charly Charney Cohen
Lighting PA	Emily Levin
Costume Mentor	Candice Cain
Lighting Mentor	Rebecca Bonebrake
Crew	Henry Begler, Roland Buck, Delaney Brokman, Sahil Dhaliwal, Emma Diaz, Arielle Fishman, Ryan McRee, Alexa Radson, Jiwon Shin, Anna Skelsey

DEAN

Madeline Puzo

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