

The College of Southern Nevada
Performing Arts Center
Annual Special Event Presentation of
SchoolFest 2020 Romeo and Juliet

Shakespeare-in-the-Schools Production
Performed by the
Utah Shakespeare Festival Educational
Touring Company
Presented at the
Nicholas J. Horn Theatre
Located at
3200 E. Cheyenne Avenue
North Las Vegas, NV 89030

About this production of
Romeo & Juliet

This is a classic tale of boy meets girl and how an age-old vendetta ends in tragedy.

Romeo and Juliet is one of William Shakespeare's greatest love stories. It is a tragic tale of two characters, Romeo and Juliet, who are supposed to be sworn enemies but fall in love. Due to their families' ongoing conflict, they cannot be together, so they make tragic choices because they are unable to cope being separated from one another.

The Utah Shakespeare Festival's production of Romeo and Juliet is part of Shakespeare in American Communities, Shakespeare for a New Generation, sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts in cooperation with Arts Midwest.

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The Importance of Arts Education

The CSN Performing Arts Center proudly supports arts education and is pleased to be able to provide this valuable educational program. While schools are focused on improving performance in reading and math skills, we know that arts DO matter and are crucial to overall student success, providing increased achievement

in math, science, language and:

- improved school attendance
- motivation and engagement
- critical and creative thinking
- collaboration and teamwork skills

The Tour

Each year, from January through April, the Utah Shakespeare Festival hits the road with an educational outreach program for schools in Nevada, Utah, Idaho, and Arizona. The highlight of the program is a seventy-five-minute version of a Shakespearean play, including complete costumes, sets, and theatrical lighting. Also included is a fifteen-minute post-show discussion with the actors, and workshops in Stage Combat, Performing Shakespeare's Text, and Developing Character through Improvisation.

You are invited to join us for our 24th season of SchoolFest – one week of special and unique theatre performances – designed to provide enriching and educational experiences for your students. The CSN Performing Arts Center brought the SchoolFest program to southern Nevada in 1996 to give

area students the opportunity to experience the magic of live theatre performed by professional actors.

LIMITED SEATING WORKSHOPS: (30 students per workshop). Groups may also opt to attend 45-minute post-show workshops with the actors in:

- Stage Combat
- Performing Shakespeare's Text
- Developing Character Through Improvisation

SchoolFest – What You Need to Know

- These special productions run 75 -80 minutes and are followed by a 15-minute discussion with the actors. There is no intermission.
- The curtain goes up at 9:45 a.m. daily. Please plan to arrive no later than 9:15 a.m.
- The use of cell phones, cameras/video equipment is not permitted before or especially during the performance.
- No food or beverages are allowed in the theatre; only bottled water is permitted.
- An optional TEACHERS' SEMINAR tentatively schedule February 1, 2020, introduces innovative techniques for teaching Shakespeare and actively demonstrates teaching models that can prepare students not only for this production, but can be used across the curriculum.
- USF study guides for Romeo and Juliet are available online at www.bard.org. Just click the "Education" option from the main menu, then select Study Guides located at the top of the Education page to choose the applicable study guide.
- The theatre seats 519 and there is not a bad seat in the house! Seating is based upon receipt of payment, with some adjustments made based on the size and arrival time of the group.
- Learning and observing proper theater etiquette is part of the SchoolFest experience. Teachers are asked to remind students this is a live performance – their role as an audience member is to turn off their cell phones and refrain from talking, making noise, taking photos or videos as a courtesy to the actors and their seatmates.
- *Participating CCSD schools only will be reimbursed for the cost of transportation to and from SchoolFest, not to exceed four hours, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please order your buses immediately and send a copy of your bus request to Patti Hanks at the School-Community Partnership Program, hanksp@nv.ccsd.net. She can help you if you need assistance requesting buses through SAP Trips.*

Come prepared to play!

Additional public performance of Romeo and Juliet February 7 at 7 p.m.

Ticket prices are

\$12 Adults and \$10 Students/Seniors

Tickets can be purchased at: www.csn.edu/pac

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