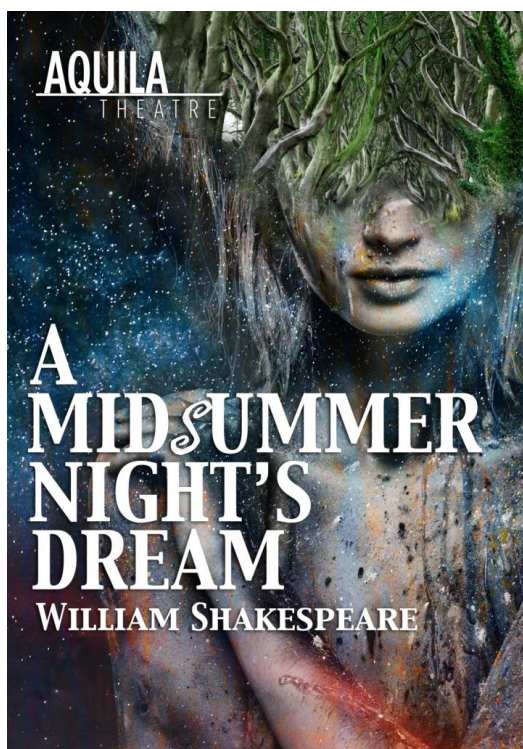


# AQUILA THEATRE

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## *A Midsummer Night's Dream*

By William Shakespeare



***A Midsummer Night's Dream***- one of Shakespeare's most beloved and witty comedies, is brought to vivid life in an innovative new production by the Aquila Theatre.

Full of memorable characters- Puck, Oberon, Hermia, and Nick Bottom- and the famous "play within a play", ***A Midsummer Night's Dream*** deals with the universal theme of love, and its attendant complications: passion, lust, frustration, depression, confusion, and marriage. Aquila Theatre weaves a web of theatrical magic that takes audiences to the heart of an enchanted forest while witnessing the injustice of the Athenian court and the political strife of the fairy kingdom.

At the center of the story is the Fairy King's servant, the impish Puck, whose magic creates an endless supply of mirth, mistaken identity, and inappropriate, if not absolutely ludicrous passions. He is set loose in the forest with his enchanted love drops which, when sprinkled into the eyes of the sleeping, charm the sleeper into a state of mad passion for the first person

they see when they awake.

Aquila's signature physical theatre style of beautiful movement, combined with music and song and some of the finest Shakespearean acting today, produces an unforgettable *Dream*. A promise of "nightly revels and new jollity".

Aquila's productions of Shakespeare have been critically acclaimed by The New Yorker as "beautifully spoken, dramatically revealing and crystalline in effect." The New York Times says that Aquila "makes Shakespeare perfectly comprehensible" and hails the company as "an extraordinarily inventive and disciplined outfit."



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