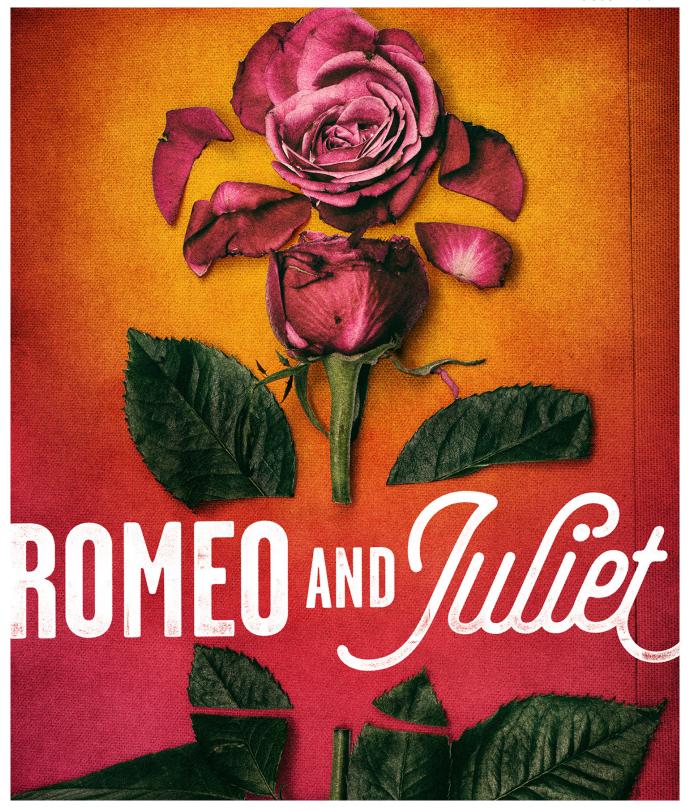
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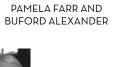








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Jean Shekhter[†]

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I hope you will connect with me and let me know what you think about this play and any others you see at the Globe. Please email me directly at nclay@TheOldGlobe.org.

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FROM BARRY

Elsewhere in this program is an interview I did with the Globe's incisive and wonderful Literary Manager/ Dramaturg, Danielle Mages Amato. She asked me to share my thoughts about Romeo and Juliet: the themes I find provocative in the play, the genesis of some of the production ideas you'll see tonight, and my reasons for wanting to include the play in our season and direct it myself. I won't rehearse my answers to Danielle here (though I won't miss the chance to express how grateful I am to be blessed once again with the opportunity to direct my favorite playwright on one of our country's most beautiful Shakespearean stages, and with the support of the finest professional theatre staff anywhere).

Instead I'll share a big notion that's been much on my mind since I began my work on this play a year ago, and that has been a very prominent feature of the rehearsal process that's underway as I write this. That notion is youth. *Romeo and Juliet* is a play written by a young playwright about young people reveling in the anarchy and freedom and passion of their own youthfulness. Our production is chock-full of young talent, and even the older characters in the story—Romeo's and Juliet's parents, Friar Laurence, and the Nurse—are vounger in this production than is typical. The show is a celebration of youth, and a cautionary tale about all the forces that buffet young people as they make their way through the world.

One of the sources of this production's youthfulness is well known to regular Globe Shakespeare Festival audiences. Every summer our productions feature the current students in The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program. Fourteen of tonight's actors, mostly in their mid-20s to early 30s, are doing extraordinarily polished work in a range of roles, and populating the streets of Shakespeare's Verona with skill and expertise that demonstrate the excellence of the training our program delivers. The program's exciting new director, Jesse Perez, who arrived in San Diego less than six months ago, is also in the show playing Friar Laurence. An accomplished actor with credits at the highest level, Jesse has injected a blast of oxygen into our already superb program, and his energy will lift it high in the time ahead.

> Any feedback on tonight's show or any of the Globe's work? Email Barry at HiBarry@TheOldGlobe.org and he'll get back to you!

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Many moons ago Jesse was a student of mine at The Juilliard School's Drama Division (two other former students of mine are in the company, too). Along with that great school and our own training program, pretty much every one of our country's major acting conservatories is represented in this cast. If you want to know what the great centers of actor training in America are teaching these days, have a listen to how Shakespeare is being handled tonight. The virtuosity and imagination on our stage is a testament to my long-held view that American Shakespearean acting is the most thrilling there is.

THF PLAY

To perform in *Romeo and Juliet*, actors need a series of skills. They must speak classical text powerfully, clearly, and quickly; they must dance and execute stage combat; they must sing a little; they must have an emotional and psychological awareness and openness of uncommon depth; they must listen with acuteness; they must possess an imagination of real suppleness and subtlety. And they must have endless energy. This stuff calls on everything you have. A sound base of training supplies all those skills, but only talent—that mysterious X factor—fuses them all together in that alchemical reaction that we recognize as a truly great stage performance. Our highly trained company is also highly talented, and their exuberance and their grace and their generosity of spirit—and yes, their youth—blaze through the San Diego evening like the cut-out little stars that Juliet describes in the play: they make the face of heaven (and the Festival stage) so fine, that all the world will be in love with night, and pay no worship to the garish sun. My time working with them has rejuvenated me, as I know it will you.

Thanks for coming. Enjoy the show.

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Barry Edelstein ERNA FINCI VITERBI ARTISTIC DIRECTOR Timothy J. Shields MANAGING DIRECTOR

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PARIS	
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PETER	
SAMPSON	Jared Van Heel [†]
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(in alphabetical order)

Eric Hagen[†], Bibi Mama[†], Hallie Peterson[†], Jersten Seraile[†], Morgan Taylor[†], Wenona Truong[†], Jared Van Heel[†], Marco Antonio Vega[†]

THE PLAY



Beautiful and Youthful and Romantic

Director Barry Edelstein on his production *Romeo and Juliet*.

Interview by Danielle Mages Amato

Have you ever directed Romeo and Juliet before?

No, I've never directed the play. But it was time for the Globe to stage the play again, and I hadn't directed on the outdoor stage in a while, so I re-read the play to see if I might want to direct it. And it completely surprised me. I mean, everyone in the universe thinks they know what *Romeo and Juliet* is about. You get received ideas about the play just from it showing up in popular culture, in ways that don't have much to do with the actual play itself. Stop a random stranger on the street and say, "Tell me a line of Shakespeare," and I'll bet a hundred dollars that you'll get, "O Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou Romeo?" So on the one hand, that overfamiliarity of the play, and the kind of barnacled nature of it, are really hard, because you're trying to get those received ideas outside of your head. But on the other hand, like any kind of limitation in art, it can be liberating. Because if everyone in the universe knows what the play is about, why can't I know too? So I've been really trying to listen to the play and hear, on my own terms, what it has to say.

It's gnarlier than I thought. It's also funnier than I remembered. The first half, there's no hint that anything bad is going to happen. It's just young kids following their impulses, clueless parents trying their best, a dance party, some making out, hot weather, and too much testosterone. The first half of the play is funny, and bright, and goofy. It's not until the very instant that Tybalt's blade goes under Romeo's arm and into Mercutio's gut that you know it's a tragedy.

Are there other ideas in the play that you were interested in exploring?

There is a short list of dense and strong ideas I've taken away from the play. First, it doesn't take long before hate unmoors itself from any specific cause and metastasizes into a general darkness that corrodes all it touches. Second, the benighted ideas of previous generations are uniquely able to inflict damage on their children. Those children are innocent and fragile, but hate is powerful.

The third idea is that sometimes somebody comes along who is uniquely able to articulate these first two ideas. This person is usually in touch with a higher power that might be poetry, or might be religion. But this person is also, by definition, an outsider, and so he's easy to ignore, and his moral certainty can lead him wrong when he tries to fix things all by himself. In *Romeo and Juliet*, that's the friar, who arranges the sleeping potion for Juliet and sets this whole plan in motion where she's going to appear to be dead. In most productions, he's just a slightly doddering old duffer messing around with potions and flowers. But I'm approaching him differently. I think he's one of the most underexplored characters in the play.

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How are you using the physical production to explore those ideas?

At this point in my work on Shakespeare, I find that I get a gut instinct about these things; it doesn't necessarily flow from my intellectual approach to the play. I get a hunch and then follow it wherever it leads. Early in my work on the play I had a dream that it should be set in a sandbox and that everyone should be barefoot. I saw an image of people in white clothes. I heard a piano playing Erik Satie. There's something beautiful and youthful and romantic about being barefoot in the sand, and something eternal too around time and fate and nature and erosion. There's something about the purity of young, sexy people in summer white. There's something about a solo piano that is effortlessly evocative. It all seems to work together somehow.

What has been your approach to the script itself?

I've cut the play heavily, for a number of reasons. The chorus says it will be "two hours traffic of our stage," but the play is always longer, and uncut, it easily runs three hours. It's as though the play itself is impatient—it wants to move faster than it does. And that's the game: everyone in the play is in a hurry. Juliet wants it to be night already. Capulet starts out wanting Paris to wait two years to marry his daughter, but then decides it should happen Thursday. Romeo is moving so fast that the Friar has to warn him that he'll trip. The entire world is in a hurry. Therefore, I want to move it along. Another reason I'm cutting it has to do with the experience I had directing The Tempest at the LA Philharmonic. In that case I had to make room in Shakespeare's play for an hour of Sibelius music, and to do that I had to reduce the text in a serious way. When I watched what I had done, I found that I liked it better than the uncut version. It felt exciting and fresh and new. I think this Romeo and Juliet is a lean, mean cutting of the play that gives us everything we want from this famous text, but also gooses it with a contemporary energy that I find very exciting.

The Lowell Davies Festival Theatre is such a special place to do a play, and to watch a play—so beautiful, and so unique. And all the beauty of the piece is there, all that beautiful poetry and all that incredible love. But I just hope that maybe we can in some little way pull some of the barnacles off it and try and discover what the play itself actually is, or at least what it is when it's made by our particular group of people. And, you know, somebody else will come along in another seven years and do it again in a different way.



The Tempest at Walt Disney Concert Hall/ Los Angeles Philharmonic, directed by Barry Edelstein, 2018. Photo by Matthew Imaging.

THE PLAY



By Danielle Mages Amato

Director Barry Edelstein has observed that "not even the most famous Shakespeare plays—not *Hamlet*, not *A Midsummer Night's Dream*—are as encrusted with cultural associations, visual tropes, and a sense of overfamiliarity as *Romeo and Juliet* is." References to the play have appeared in countless songs, films, and television shows, and the play has been used to sell everything from tobacco to the iPhone 7.

What has made Romeo and Juliet so iconic in American culture? One factor in its popularity is the widespread success of its many adaptations for stage, screen, and song. Americans do not have to read Shakespeare's play—or see a production in the theatre—to know the story of *Romeo* and Juliet. Perhaps they have seen one of the nearly 50 film adaptations of the play, such as Franco Zeffirelli's hugely successful 1968 film, or Baz Luhrmann's visually stunning 1996 adaptation *Romeo* + *Juliet*, which grossed over \$147.5 million in box-office income. Both films are classics in their own right, as is Leonard Bernstein, Stephen Sondheim, and Arthur Laurents's musical adaptation West Side Story, which became an Academy Award-winning film in 1961. In addition to serious, straightforward adaptations of the play, filmmakers have taken *Romeo and Juliet* in unexpected directions, turning it into a contemporary zombie comedy (Warm Bodies) and an animated fantasy film (Gnomeo & Juliet). And the play makes countless "cameo appearances" in film and television as characters perform or attend a production of Romeo and Juliet. In a 1956 episode of "I Love Lucy" titled "Lucy Meets Orson Welles," Lucy pursues her dream of appearing with Orson Welles in the play. Characters have performed *Romeo and Juliet* on "The Brady Bunch," "The Muppet Show," "Gilmore Girls," "Saved by the Bell," and even in Toy Story 3.

In addition to screen adaptations, the play has inspired numerous ballets, over 25 operas, and plenty of pop songs.

From Sergei Prokofiev's 1938 ballet to Charles Gounod's 1867 opera *Roméo et Juliette*, versions of *Romeo and Juliet* appear regularly in classical music and opera seasons. In pop music, Taylor Swift's "Love Story" gives the starcrossed lovers a happy ending, while Dire Straits's "Romeo and Juliet" reimagines the story as a breakup song.

Through all these adaptations, the characters have become independent, iconic cultural figures, carrying on an existence that is often divorced from the specifics of Shakespeare's original play. Nowhere is this more apparent than in the world of advertising. Shakespeare and his characters have appeared in American advertising since the 1700s, most often to convey a feeling of luxury, prestige, and excellence. *Romeo and Juliet* in particular has been used to sell "romantic" items like chocolate, but also products like banking and chewing tobacco that have no connection to the story of the doomed lovers. In his *Romeo* + *Juliet*, Luhrmann subtly comments on the commodification of Shakespeare, as the world of the film is filled with advertisements, each one with a piece of Shakespearean text on it.

All these cultural and commercial associations that have attached to *Romeo and Juliet* over the years do not disappear when the play is staged in the theatre. Director Barry Edelstein recognizes that as a possible challenge of the play, for actors, directors, and audiences—but it is also a source of pleasure. "You can hear it in the audience," Edelstein says, "this wonderful murmur of recognition when people hear a line they know so well. When Romeo says, 'But soft, what light through yonder window breaks,' or when Juliet has to say, 'O Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou Romeo.' Part of the joy of the piece is the overfamiliarity of it, and discovering how those pieces we thought we knew actually work in the context of the story. It's fun to discover all of that anew every night." ■



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CARLOS ANGEL-BARAJAS

(Prince, Ensemble) is a second-year M.F.A. candidate with The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program. He was recently seen in As You Like It, Much Ado About Nothing, and The Tempest (The Old Globe). He has appeared regionally in Much Ado About Nothing, Macbeth, and The Rover (Santa Cruz Shakespeare). Locally he has appeared in *Romulus*

Killgore's Mobile Happiness Bazaar (La Jolla Playhouse's Without Walls Festival) and How to Use a Knife (UC San Diego's Wagner New Play Festival). He received his B.A. in Theatre from UC San Diego. @carlos_angelba on Instagram and Twitter, carlosangelb.com.



SUMMER BROYHILL

(Lady Montague, Ensemble) is a first-year M.F.A. candidate with The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program. She appeared as Amiens in As You Like It in the Summer Shakespeare Festival this year. Her program credits include Mash in *Stupid F***ing Bird*, Rebecca in *Our Town*, and Calphurnia and Lepidus in Julius Caesar. She received her Bachelor

of Music from Florida State University, and she was last seen on Broadway in Hairspray and in the national tours of Rodgers + Hammerstein's Cinderella and Hairspray. She has performed Off Broadway in Killer Therapy (The Players Theatre), The Independents (New York International Fringe Festival; The New York Times Critics' Pick), and The Day Before Spring (York Theatre Company). Her favorite regional performances include Cathy in two productions of The Last Five Years, Helena in A Midsummer Night's Dream, Jane in the regional premiere of *Tarzan*, Lilli/Katharine in *Kiss Me*, *Kate* opposite Davis Gaines, Roxie Hart in Chicago, Laurey/Dream Laurey in Oklahoma!, and several performances with Georgia Shakespeare. She is also a playwright. summerbroyhill.com, @summerbroyhill on Instagram.



CANDY BUCKLEY

(Nurse) last appeared at The Old Globe in Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike. Her Broadway credits include the Sam Mendes-directed Cabaret, Thoroughly Modern Millie, After the Fall, Ring Round the Moon, and Scandalous. Her select Off Broadway credits include Wise Guys directed by Mendes, The Petrified Prince directed by Harold Prince (Drama Desk Award nomination), an

all-female The Taming of the Shrew in Central Park, Shockheaded Peter, The Patron Saint of Sea Monsters, Lincoln Center Theater's Bernarda Alba, Hal & Bee, and writer and daughter Erin Buckley's Older Lady and Sistren. She just completed a workshop of the new musical adaptation of *The Notebook* (New York Stage and Film), and recently appeared in the premieres of *Kleptocracy* (Arena Stage) and The Squirrels and Kill Local (La Jolla Playhouse). Regionally Buckley has done Hedda Gabler, Macbeth, Misalliance, Three Sisters, The Cherry Orchard, and All the King's Men (Helen Hayes Award nomination), among others. She can be seen on television in "The Americans," "Treme," "Blue Bloods," "Gossip Girl," and "Criminal Intent," as well as in the film Bachelorette. She holds a Princess Grace Statue Award for Theater.



RAMON BURRIS

(Balthasar, Ensemble) is a first-year M.F.A. candidate in The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program. He has performed in three productions with the program. This will be his second production with The Old Globe, previously playing Charles in As You Like It. He comes from Baltimore, Marvland, where he received his Bachelor of Theatre Studies at University of Maryland, Baltimore County.

Since then he has performed regionally in the Baltimore area. He last appeared in *The Big Thank You* as a part of the Charm City Fringe Festival; the production received a Best of Fringe Award for the 2017 festival. RamonBurris.com.



(Mercutio) has appeared Off Broadway in Mondo Tragic and Untamed (National Black Theatre), Anna Christie (Wild Project), May 39th (The Drama League/TBG Theatre), (A)Loft Modulation (Access Theater), The Sun Experiment (New York International Fringe Festival), Rattlestick Playwrights Theater, MCC Theater, Atlantic Theater Company, Red Bull Theater, New Dramatists,

and Lark Play Development Center. His regional theatre credits include Shakespeare & Company, Contemporary American Theater Festival, Syracuse Stage, Trinity Repertory Company, Commonwealth Shakespeare Company, and The Kennedy Center. Chase has been seen in the films The Last Thing He Wanted opposite Anne Hathaway and Ben Affleck (upcoming this fall), Liberté: A Call to Spy, A Shot Through the Wall, Jim: The James Foley Story, and Lazarus Rising. His television credits include "Transparent" (Amazon), "Difficult People" (Hulu), Undocumented (ITV), and "The Mysteries of Laura" (NBC). Chase received his M.F.A. from Brown University/Trinity Rep M.F.A. program and studied Shakespeare in Performance at Royal Academy of Dramatic Art

VEDA CIENFUEGOS



(Young Juliet), age nine, made her Old Globe debut last fall as Joanie Watson in the world-premiere musical Clint Black's Looking for Christmas. Most recently, she appeared as Lacey in the ballet 12 Dancing Princesses (The Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center). Her onscreen credits include short films Motherhood and Gaze in Silence. Outside of performing and training, Cienfuegos loves to

create: script writing, entrepreneurship, drawing, cooking, and needlework. She is a proud member of San Diego Shakespeare Society.

MASON CONRAD (Paris, Ensemble) was born and raised in Texas and later



received his B.F.A. in Acting from Webster University's Conservatory of Theatre Arts in St. Louis. He most recently lived in Los Angeles, where he worked with Just Fix It Productions in *The Willows*. His further L.A. credits include "Lore" with Amazon Studios, Creep L.A.: Entry, and Threat at Whitefire Theatre. Conrad's other regional credits include Door Shakespeare, The Nashville Shakespeare Festival,

Peterborough Players, Texas Shakespeare Festival, Shakespeare Festival St. Louis, and XVI Havana Theater Festival in Cuba. He was last seen onstage this summer as Silvius in As You Like It. masonconrad.com, @masondconrad on Instagram.

YADIRA CORREA



(Tybalt, Ensemble) has been seen as Audrey in As You Like It, Conrade in Much Ado About Nothing, and Francisca in The Tempest at The Old Globe. She also recently appeared in The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program productions of Our Town, Julius Caesar, Romeo and Juliet, Three Sisters, and Cloud 9. She played Gratiano in the all-female production of The Merchant of Venice (Cardinal Stage Company) and appeared in the special

event production of 2666 (Goodman Theatre). She has worked at Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Court Theatre, Teatro Vista, Collaboraction, and About Face Theatre, among others. Her credits also include Quiara Alegría Hudes's Water by the Spoonful and Tanya Saracho's Enfrascada (A Jarring Comedy of Hoodoo Proportions) (16th Street Theater, Renaissance Theaterworks), as well as most ensemble-devised works at Teatro Luna (2003-2009), including Machos, Lunatica(s), and S-e-x-Oh! Correa is an alumna of the School at Steppenwolf. @yadeeenyc on Instagram.

AUBREY DEEKER HERNANDEZ



(Lord Montague, Ensemble) was last seen at The Old Globe as Oliver in As You Like It. He has appeared internationally in Love's Labor's Lost at The Royal Shakespeare Company in Stratford-upon-Avon; Off Broadway in the New York premiere of The Liar by David Ives at Classic Stage Company; and in 13 productions as an affiliated artist at The Shakespeare Theatre Company in Washington DC, including Mercutio in Romeo and Juliet and King Lear with Stacy Keach directed by Robert Falls. His other credits include the title role in Hamlet and Tom in The Glass Menagerie (Denver Center Theatre Company), Prior Walter in Angels in America (The Wilma Theater), and productions at Goodman Theatre, South Coast Repertory, The Kennedy Center, Studio Theatre, Signature Theatre Company, Woolly Mammoth Theatre Company, Folger Theatre, Ford's Theatre, and Round House Theatre, among others. His television credits include Ridley Scott's

"The Man in the High Castle," "True Blood," "The Wire," "The Mentalist," "Castle," "Backstrom," "NCIS," "NCIS: New Orleans," and "Crisis," and his film credits include So the Lord Must Wait, Peter's Plan, Distance, Leave No Marine Behind, and The Seer.

SOFIA JEAN GOMEZ



(Lady Capulet) has appeared in San Diego as Nora in San Diego Repertory Theatre's A Doll's House, Part 2, for which she won the Craig Noel Award for Outstanding Lead Performance in a Play. Her New York credits include Angels in America, Parts I and II (Signature Theatre Company; Lucille Lortel Award for Outstanding Ensemble) and shows at Page 73 Productions, New

World Stages, Manhattan Theatre Club, New Georges, and Lake Lucille Chekhov Project. Her regional credits include *Tartuffe* and *The Arabian* Nights (Berkeley Repertory Theatre; San Francisco Bay Area Theatre Critics Circle Award nomination for Best Principal Actress), Tartuffe and *The Tempest* (Shakespeare Theatre Company; 2014 DC Metro Theater Arts WATCH Award for Best Actress in a Play), and Argonautika (Helen Hayes Award nomination for Outstanding Supporting Performer), and productions at Yale Repertory Theatre, Goodman Theatre, Denver Center Theatre Company, Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Baltimore Center Stage, McCarter Theatre Center, Arizona Theatre Company, and The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey. American Theatre magazine named her one of the "Actors Playwrights Love." She received her M.F.A. at Yale School of Drama and her B.F.A. at Sam Houston State University.





(Apothecary, Ensemble) previously appeared as Dennis in As You Like It, Borachio in Much Ado About Nothing, and Shipmaster in The Tempest on The Old Globe's Summer Shakespeare Festival stage. Regionally, he was most recently seen as Edmund in King Lear and Fenton in The Merry Wives of Windsor (Nebraska Shakespeare). His other regional credits

include The Taming of the Shrew, King Lear, Twelfth Night, The Comedy of Errors, and Henry IV, Part II (Utah Shakespeare Festival), Macbeth (USF Shakespeare-in-the-Schools tour), Peter Piper (Guthrie Theater), and August & Amy (Bryant-Lake Bowl Theater). He is an alumnus of the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts' YoungArts competition and of the University of Minnesota/Guthrie Theater B.F.A. Actor Training Program. @eric.weiman on Instagram.

LOUISA JACOBSON



(Juliet) has appeared regionally in Native Son (Yale Repertory Theatre) and The Member of the Wedding (Williamstown Theatre Festival). She will next be seen in "Gone Hollywood" on FX. She received her M.F.A. from Yale School of Drama, where she appeared in The Seagull, Much Ado About Nothing, Escape from Happiness, and The Girl Is Chained. Her

other credits include The Other World and Re: Union (Yale Cabaret). She holds a B.A. from Vassar College and studied in Oxford with British American Drama Academy.

BIBI MAMA



(Abram, Ensemble) is a first-year M.F.A. student and was most recently seen in As You Like It as Ensemble and Rosalind understudy here on the Shakespeare Festival stage. Her Off Broadway credits include Monkey in Owen & Mzee The Musical (Vital Theatre Company) and Stylist in Caps for Sale the Musical (The New Victory Theater). Her favorite regional credits

include Julius Caesar (The Gallery Players), Four Little Girls: Birmingham





1963 (The Kennedy Center), Richard III, Enchanted April, and Pride@ Prejudice (The Theatre at Monmouth), and Cloud 9 (Studio Theatre). She is a proud B.F.A. alumna of Howard University's Department of Theatre Arts. Bibi-Mama.com, @bodybybibi on Instagram.



AARON CLIFTON MOTEN

(Romeo) is currently set as a series regular on the upcoming Fox drama "neXT," hailing from John Requa, Glenn Ficarra, and Manny Coto. Prior to "neXT," he was a series regular on Netflix's "Disjointed." His other television credits include recurring roles on HBO's award-winning miniseries The Night Of and Amazon's highly acclaimed "Mozart

in the Jungle." He played opposite Meryl Streep in the feature film Ricki and the Flash and starred in Barrow Street Theatre's production of the critically acclaimed play The Flick. A Juilliard School alumnus, Moten's wide range of theatrical credits includes Young Collector in A Streetcar Named Desire on Broadway; Regan in King Lear directed by Ed Iskandar; Henry V in The Life of King Henry the Fifth directed by Nigel Smith; and The Seagull directed by Richard Feldman and A Raisin in the Sun directed by Jade King Carroll (The Juilliard School). His regional credits include Claudio in *Much Ado About Nothing* (Two River Theater) and Sweeney Todd (Long Center).



JESSE J. PEREZ

(Friar Laurence) is the Director of Professional Training for The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program. He has acted Off Broadway in Party People (The Public Theater), The Father and A Doll's House (Theatre for a New Audience), Informed Consent (Primary Stages), Triple Happiness (Second Stage Theater), Barrio Grrrl! (Summer Play Festival), Recent Tragic

Events (Playwrights Horizons), In the Penal Colony (Classic Stage Company), and Up Against the Wind (New York Theatre Workshop). He also appeared in Lucia di Lammermoor (The Metropolitan Opera). His regional credits include Shakespeare Theatre Company, Berkeley Repertory Theatre, Actors Theatre of Louisville, Yale Repertory Theatre, Lookingglass Theatre Company, McCarter Theatre Center, Goodman Theatre, and La Jolla Playhouse, where he was recently seen in Seize the King. His international acting credits include The Venice Biennale and Salzburg Festival. Perez's television and film credits include "Law & Order," "Law & Order: Special Victims Unit," "The Job," "Life on Mars," American Splendor, and Adopt a Highway.



HALLIE PETERSON

(Capulet Servant, Ensemble) is in her first year of The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program. She was previously seen on the Globe's Shakespeare Festival stage as LeBeau in As You Like It. Her previous roles within the M.F.A. program include Brutus in Julius Caesar, Mrs. Webb in *Our Town*, and Emma in *Stupid F***ing* Bird. A Chicago native, Peterson's favorite credits

include A Midsummer Night's Dream (Polarity Ensemble Theatre), All My Sons (Raven Theatre), Circle Mirror Transformation (Oil Lamp Theater), Fanny's First Play (20% Theatre Company), and Dreamgirls, A Christmas Carol, and I Think You Think I Love You (Milwaukee Repertory Theater). Peterson received her B.F.A. in Acting from Ithaca College. @halpetes on Instagram.



JERSTEN SERAILE

(Friar John, Ensemble) is in his second year of The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program. He appeared earlier this summer in the Globe's As You Like It and last year in Much Ado About Nothing and The Tempest. He has also been seen in the M.F.A. program as Joe Stoddard and Wally Webb in Our Town, the title role in Julius Caesar, Paris in Romeo and Juliet, Fyodor

Ilych Kulygin in Three Sisters, and Betty and Edward in Cloud 9. He has toured nationally playing the roles of Mr. White, Bernard, and Brom

Bones in *Encore!* (Chamber Theatre Productions). While on tour, Seraile made his Off Broadway debut playing Langston Hughes in the one-man show Harlem Blooms in Spring, which he also wrote (Theatre Row). His other credits include If We Don't Get It, Shut It Down (Harlem Repertory Theatre) and The Full Monty and Oliver! (Clear Space Theatre Company). Seraile received his bachelor's degree from Eugene Lang College.



MORGAN TAYLOR

(Benvolio, Ensemble) is completing her second year of The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program. Taylor was seen this season as Phoebe in As You Like It and last season as Hero in *Much Ado About Nothing*, as well as her role in *The Tempest* (The Old Globe). She has also appeared in Our Town, Julius Caesar, Cloud 9, Three Sisters,

and Romeo and Juliet (The Old Globe/USD). Her other credits include *Eurydice* and *Baby with the Bathwater* (Oceanside Theatre Company) and Orlando (Elements Theatre Collective). Taylor is an alumna of University of California, Santa Barbara's Theater B.F.A. Actor Training Program. morgantaylor.me, @the.morgantaylor on Instagram.



WENONA TRUONG

(Peter, Ensemble) previously appeared with The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program as Emily in Our Town, Portia in Julius Caesar, Maud and Lin in Cloud 9, Irina and Anfisa in *Three Sisters*, and Lady Montague, Balthasar, and Friar John in Romeo and Juliet. She also appeared as Sexton in Much Ado About Nothing

and Iris in The Tempest (The Old Globe), Henrietta and Elizabeth in Persuasion and Ariel in The Tempest (Livermore Shakespeare Festival), and Mash in *Stupid F***ing Bird* (Capital Stage). She received her B.A. at University of the Pacific in Theatre Arts with a minor in Psychology. wenonatruong.com.



JARED VAN HEEL

(Sampson, Ensemble) was last seen in The Old Globe's productions of As You Like It, Much Ado About Nothing, and The Tempest. He is a second-year M.F.A. candidate with The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program. In the program he has played Mark Antony in Julius Caesar, Vershinin in Three Sisters, Clive and Martin in Cloud 9, Constable Warren and Sam Craig in Our

Town, and Montague and Peter in Romeo and Juliet. He has appeared Off Broadway in Hamlet and The Awesome 80s Prom. He has toured internationally with Walking with Dinosaurs and nationally with The *Trip to Bountiful.* Some of his other credits include *The Liar*, *The Merry* Wives of Windsor, and The Compleat Wrks of Wllm Shkspr (Abridged) (Texas Shakespeare Festival), Twelfth Night (Madcap Collective), Antony and Cleopatra (Harlequin Productions), American Midget (New York International Fringe Festival/Trembling Stage), and Cyclone, Betty's Summer Vacation, and the world premieres of Frankenstein Unplugged and Breach (Montana Repertory Theatre).



MARCO ANTONIO VEGA

(Gregory, Ensemble) appeared earlier this summer in As You Like It at The Old Globe. His previous credits include Puck in William Shakespeare's Long Lost First Play (abridged) (Reduced Shakespeare Company), Dogberry in Much Ado About Nothing (Creekside Theatre Fest), and Demetrius in A Midsummer Night's Dream, Bardolph in both Henry IV, Part II and Henry V, and Burgundy in King Lear, as well as two

educational touring productions playing Laertes in *Hamlet* and Banquo in *Macbeth* (Utah Shakespeare Festival). He trained at Southern Utah University and received a B.A. in Theatre Arts. Vega also has years of improvisation training from Off the Cuff Comedy Improvisation in Cedar City, Utah. With Off the Cuff, he performed during the LA Indie Improv Festival.

JAYDN WASHINGTON



(Young Romeo) is nine years old and in the fourth grade. He is grateful to make his debut at The Old Globe. His love for theatre started at the age of six. He has been in six productions, including Young Simba in The Lion King, Tootles in Peter Pan, and The Little Mermaid. He has also been featured in two commercials and has starred in Switchfoot's music

video for "All I Need." In addition to acting, he loves to play basketball, be a master Lego engineer, and be a worship leader in hopes of being a preacher one day.

CORNELL WOMACK

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(Lord Capulet) appeared at the Globe earlier this summer in As You Like It, as well as in recent productions of Hamlet and The Winter's Tale. He was seen last winter as Antonio at Walt Disney Concert Hall in a production of *The Tempest* with Los Angeles Philharmonic directed by Barry Edelstein. His Broadway credits include On Golden Pond and Talk Radio. His Off Broadway credits include Yellowman, Thunder Knocking at

the Door, The Merchant of Venice, and The Odyssey. Womack's television roles include Ritchie on the FX series "Rescue Me," along with guest appearances on "Better Call Saul," "Flaked," "Suits," "The Newsroom," "The Fosters," "Body of Proof," "Criminal Minds," "Medium," "Boston Legal," "CSI: Miami," "Numb3rs," "Law & Order," "Warehouse 13," "The Black Donnellys," and "Hannah Montana," His films include Grimshaw. Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen, State of Play, and The Happening. He currently narrates the documentary series "Corrupt Crimes," "Motive to Murder," "Gangster: America's Most Evil," and "Hangar 1: The UFO Files," among others. Womack is a 2018 Lunt-Fontanne Fellow. He trained at The Juilliard School Drama Division.

BARRY EDELSTEIN



(Director, Erna Finci Viterbi Artistic Director) is a stage director, producer, author, and educator. He has directed nearly half of the Bard's plays. His Globe directing credits include The Winter's Tale, Othello, The Twenty-Seventh Man, the world premiere of Rain, Picasso at the Lapin Agile, Hamlet, the world premiere of The Wanderers, and the American premiere of

Life After. He also directed All's Well That Ends Well as the inaugural production of the Globe for All community tour. In January he oversaw the Globe's inaugural Classical Directing Fellowship program, and last November he directed *The Tempest* with the Los Angeles Philharmonic at Walt Disney Concert Hall. As Director of the Shakespeare Initiative at The Public Theater (2008-2012). Edelstein oversaw all of the company's Shakespearean productions as well as its educational, community outreach, and artist-training programs. At The Public, he staged the world premiere of The Twenty-Seventh Man, Julius Caesar, The Merchant of Venice, Timon of Athens, and Steve Martin's WASP and Other Plays. He was also Associate Producer of The Public's Broadway production of The Merchant of Venice starring Al Pacino. From 1998 to 2003 he was Artistic Director of Classic Stage Company. His book *Thinking Shakespeare*, which was rereleased in a second edition in June, is the standard text on American Shakespearean acting. He is also the author of Bardisms: Shakespeare for All Occasions. He is a graduate of Tufts University and the University of Oxford, where he studied as a Rhodes Scholar.

TAKESHI KATA

(Scenic Design) previously designed The Imaginary Invalid, Welcome to Arroyo's, Some Lovers, and Pig Farm at The Old Globe. His recent New York credits include Man from Nebraska (Second Stage Theater), The Profane (Playwrights Horizons), Forever (New York Theatre Workshop), Gloria and Outside People (Vineyard Theatre), Derren Brown: Secret and Through a Glass Darkly (Atlantic Theater Company), Adding Machine (Minetta Lane Theatre), and Orson's Shadow (Barrow Street Theatre). Regionally Kata has worked at Alley Theatre, American Players Theatre, Goodman Theatre, Hartford Stage, Kirk Douglas Theatre, La Jolla Playhouse, Long Wharf Theatre, Mark Taper Forum, Steppenwolf Theatre Company, Williamstown Theatre Festival, and Yale Repertory Theatre, among others. Kata has won an Obie Award and has been nominated for Drama Desk, Ovation, Connecticut Critics Circle, and Barrymore Awards. He is an assistant professor at University of Southern California's School of Dramatic Arts.

JUDITH DOLAN

(Costume Design) has worked with legendary director Harold Prince on several productions, including the Broadway production of Candide for which she received a Tony Award for Best Costume Design. Another collaboration with Prince, The Petrified Prince at The Public Theater, earned her the Lucille Lortel Award. Her designs have also been seen in many theatres, including Dublin's Abbey Theatre, The Old Vic, Brooklyn Academy of Music, and Houston Grand Opera. Her other Broadway designs include the award-winning musical Parade and Lovemusik, the latter of which earned her Drama Desk and Outer Critics Circle Award nominations. Her costume designs include work for Los Angeles Philharmonic: Night and Dreams directed by Yuval Sharon and The Tempest directed by Barry Edelstein. Dolan holds an M.F.A. in Costume Design and a Ph.D. in Directing and Design/ Theater History and Aesthetic Theory from Stanford University. She is currently a Distinguished Professor of Design in the Department of Theater and Dance at UC San Diego.

STEPHEN STRAWBRIDGE

(Lighting Design) previously designed The Old Globe's As You Like It, Much Ado About Nothing, Hamlet, King Richard II, Double Indemnity, Othello, and The Two Gentlemen of Verona. He has designed over 200 productions on and Off Broadway and at most major regional theatre and opera companies across the Ú.S. Internationally his work has been seen in Bergen, Copenhagen, The Hague, Hong Kong, Linz, Lisbon, Munich, Naples, Sao Paulo, Stratford-upon-Avon (Royal Shakespeare Company), Stockholm, Vienna, and Wroclaw. He has been recognized with numerous awards and nominations, including American Theatre Wing, San Francisco Bay Area Theatre Critics Circle, Connecticut Critics Circle, Dallas-Fort Worth Theater Critics Forum, Drama Desk, Helen Hayes, Henry Hewes Design, and Lucille Lortel Awards. He is Co-Chair of the Design Department at Yale School of Drama and a Resident Lighting Designer at Yale Repertory Theatre.

STEN SEVERSON

(Sound Design) is pleased to be returning to The Old Globe, where he has designed As You Like It, Much Ado About Nothing, Hamlet, King Richard II, Love's Labor's Lost, Macbeth, The Comedy of Errors, Twelfth Night, The Two Gentlemen of Verona, and Othello. His selected credits include the Broadway productions of *Hair*, *The Motherf***er with the* Hat, and The Merchant of Venice, and the Off Broadway productions of Venice, No Place to Go, The Total Bent, and The Controversy of Valladolid, as well as King Lear, the musical Love's Labour's Lost, Twelfth Night, As You Like It, Hair, and Hamlet for Shakespeare in the Park at the Delacorte Theater. His regional credits include Family Album (Oregon Shakespeare Festival), Fallaci (Berkeley Repertory Theatre), Akeelah and the Bee (Children's Theatre Company, Arena Stage), and The Abominables, Dr. Seuss's The Sneetches, and Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Children's Theatre Company). He has taught at New York University and Yale School of Drama.

MARK BENNETT

(Original Music and Music Director) worked on the Globe's Twelfth Night directed by Jack O'Brien, Golda's Balcony, Arms and the Man, Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike, and Pygmalion. His recent Broadway scores include Junk, Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike, Driving Miss Daisy, The Coast of Utopia (Drama Desk Award), Henry IV, and The Goat, or Who Is Sylvia?, among others. His Off Broadway credits include Nantucket Sleigh Ride, Socrates, An Iliad (Obie Award), Mad Forest, and My Children! My Africa! His La Jolla Playhouse scores include A Midsummer Night's Dream (Craig Noel Award). His Gal Friday. An Iliad (Craig Noel Award), Dogeaters, and, as composer and colyricist, the musical Most Wanted. He has received an Obie Award for Sustained Excellence in Sound Design, Bessie Award, Ovation Award, Henry Hughes Design Award, and 14 Drama Desk Award nominations.

(Fight Director) is honored to return to the Globe after As You Like It, The Last Goodbye, Othello, Ken Ludwig's Robin Hood!, and Hamlet. His credits as a fight director include Peter and the Starcatcher (Broadway, New York Theatre Workshop, New World Stages, national tour), Peter Pan Live! (NBC/Universal), Bloody Bloody Andrew Jackson (Broadway, The Public Theater, Williamstown Theatre Festival), Cyrano de Bergerac (Broadway), Here Lies Love (The Public Theater, commercial remount), The Robber Bridegroom (Roundabout Theatre Company), Sailor Man (also co-creator; New York International Fringe Festival; Best Play), The Buccaneer (also playwright; The Tank, Fight Fest), and Robin Hood (Williamstown Theatre Festival). Grigolia-Rosenbaum has also been fight director for numerous regional and touring companies, including Disney Cruise Line, Connecticut Free Shakespeare, Ogunquit Playhouse, and National Theater for Arts and Education, as well as for special events (Robin Hood Foundation). He was the stunt coordinator and creature performer for the horror film Dark Was the Night (Caliber/ Image) and was a D1 varsity fencer while at Yale University.

(Pianist and Conductor) has been active in the music scene in San Diego for over 35 years, specializing in musical theatre, cabaret, and large-scale corporate entertainment. He is a pianist, music director, and music arranger. He received his bachelor's degree in piano and master's degree in conducting from San Diego State University. Gray has been Music Director at Welk Resort Theatre for 25 years and was recently appointed Executive Director of Pacific Lyric Association, bringing professional opera and ballet to California Center for the Arts, Escondido. He is a business owner specializing in music preparation and custom soundtracks. He enjoys performance-arts photography and traveling.

(Voice and Text Coach) has worked on 39 Globe productions since 2014, including The Underpants, As You Like It, What You Are, They Promised Her the Moon, Tiny Beautiful Things, Barefoot in the Park, The Tempest, Native Gardens, A Thousand Splendid Suns, The Wanderers, Uncle Vanya, The Importance of Being Earnest, Hamlet, Ken Ludwig's Robin Hood!, Picasso at the Lapin Agile, October Sky, Meteor Shower, Sense and Sensibility, Macbeth, tokyo fish story, Camp David, Constellations, Rain, and Bright Star. He has also served as a dialect/voice coach at La Jolla Playhouse and Diversionary Theatre. His regional theatre acting credits include The Old Globe, Actors Theatre of Louisville, Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park, The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis, Pittsburgh Playhouse, PCPA Theaterfest, Texas Shakespeare Festival, Center REPertory Company, Lookingglass Theatre Company, Odyssey Theatre Ensemble, and Opera Pacific, among many others. Huber coaches voice, speech, and acting privately and at several local colleges, and he also works with special-needs clients. He is a graduate of the Graduate Voice Teacher Diploma Program at York University in Toronto and an M.F.A. graduate of The Old Globe and University of San Diego Shiley Graduate Theatre Program.

(Casting) is the Casting Director for Playwrights Horizons, and Lisa Donadio serves as Associate Casting Director. She recently cast As You Like It at the Globe. Her Playwrights Horizons credits include Grey Gardens (also on Broadway), Clybourne Park (also on Broadway), Circle Mirror Transformation (Drama Desk and Obie Awards for Outstanding Ensemble, Artios Award for casting), and The Flick (also at Barrow Street Theatre). Her television credits include ABC's "The Knights of Prosperity" (aka "Let's Rob Mick Jagger"), NBC's "Ed," and USA's 'Monk." Her regional theatre credits include Huntington Theatre Company, Alley Theatre, Arena Stage, Studio Theatre, Williamstown Theatre Festival, Seattle Repertory Theatre, American Conservatory Theater, Berkeley Repertory Theatre, and People's Light, among others.

He is very excited to be reunited with Barry Edelstein after last composing Edelstein's production of As You Like It for Williamstown Theatre Festival.

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(Production Stage Manager) is thrilled to be making his debut at The Old Globe after stage managing The Tempest, directed by Barry Edelstein, at Los Angeles Philharmonic. He has stage managed on Broadway, Off Broadway, regionally, and on national tours. Joshua has a B.A. in Theatre from The College of Idaho, and he is based in New York City. He is a proud Actors' Equity Association member. @co_pilote on Instagram.

AMANDA SALMONS

(Assistant Stage Manager) has previously worked at The Old Globe on more than 40 shows. Some of her favorites include Life After, The Blameless, October Sky, Rain, The Metromaniacs, The White Snake, Inherit the Wind, Somewhere, and Lost in Yonkers. Her other credits include Blueprints to Freedom: An Ode to Bayard Rustin (La Jolla Playhouse), Kiss Me, Kate (Hartford Stage), The Foreigner, See How They Run, The Music Man, and The Rivalry (Lamb's Players Theatre), and The Gondoliers, The Pirates of Penzance, Candide, and Trial by Jury (Lyric Opera San Diego). Ms. Salmons is a graduate of UC San Diego.



TIMOTHY J. SHIELDS

(Managing Director) is very pleased to have joined the ranks of the Globe's staff in October of 2017. He brings to San Diego many decades of theatrical experience. Most recently, he was Managing Director at Princeton, New Jersey's McCarter Theatre Center from 2009 to 2017. His professional experience includes serving as Managing Director

at Milwaukee Repertory Theater for 10 years, and as Managing Director at Geva Theatre Center in Rochester, New York, for six. He has held administrative positions at Children's Theatre Company in Minneapolis, Denver Center Theatre Company, and McCarter Theatre Center in an earlier period of his career. In service to the field, he was the President of the League of Resident Theatres (LORT) for six years and was the Chair of the ArtPride NJ board. He has also served on the boards of Theatre Communications Group (Vice President), Milwaukee's Latino Arts Board, the Cultural Alliance of Greater Milwaukee, and Theatre Wisconsin (Founder/President). Over the years he has been a panelist, panel chair, and on-site reporter for the theatre program at the National Endowment for the Arts. He holds a B.F.A. in Drama Production from Carnegie-Mellon University in his hometown of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

JACK O'BRIEN

(Artistic Director Emeritus) served as Artistic Director of The Old Globe from 1981 to 2007. His Broadway credits include All My Sons, Carousel, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, The Front Page, It's Only a Play, Macbeth, The Nance, Catch Me If You Can, The Coast of Utopia (Tony Award), Dirty Rotten Scoundrels (Tony nomination), Henry IV (Tony Award), Hairspray (Tony Award), Imaginary Friends, The Invention of Love (Tony nomination), The Full Monty (Tony nomination), Two Shakespearean Actors (Tony nomination), Porgy and Bess (Tony nomination), and many more. He has also directed for national tours, the West End, New York's Metropolitan Opera, and San Diego Opera, as well as six movies for PBS's "American Playhouse." He was inducted into the Theatre Hall of Fame in 2008. Jack Be Nimble: The Accidental *Education of an Unintentional Director*, his memoir about the early years of his career, was released in 2013.

CRAIG NOEL

(Founding Director, 1915-2010) was a theatre legend who was instrumental in cultivating the San Diego arts community. Beginning in 1939, he directed more than 200 Globe productions of all styles and periods and produced an additional 270 shows. His vision for The Old Globe resulted in the establishment of the Shakespeare Festival and San Diego Junior Theatre in the '40s, the expansion to two theatres in the '50s, and the founding of The Old Globe/University of San Diego Graduate Theatre Program in the '80s. Described by Variety as the éminence grise of San Diego theatre, Noel is one of the few San Diegans both to have had an entire year (1987) proclaimed in his honor, and to be named one of San Diego's "Living Treasures." He was also a founder

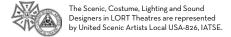
of the California Theatre Council and a former vice president of the California Confederation of the Arts. Noel received many awards and honors during his lifetime, including the 2007 National Medal of Arts, the nation's highest honor for artistic excellence.



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CASTING Alaine Alldaffer, CSA Lisa Donadio

Summer Broyhill, Yadira Correa, Aubrey Deeker Hernandez, Eric Hagen, and Jared Van Heel appear courtesy of Actors' Equity Association.

TAKING PHOTOS IN THE THEATRE

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ARTS ENGAGEME THEATRE BELONGS TO ALL OF US

By Karen Ann Daniels

The Old Globe has a vision and values statement that begins: "The Old Globe believes that theatre matters. Our commitment is to make it matter to more people."

In the almost six years I spent at the Globe, I was lucky enough to be in the right place at the right time, and blessed with the right skills and the right passion. As a native San Diegan and a theatre professional, I returned to San Diego in 2012 wondering if theatre could be more than entertainment. Would the things that I loved about theatre—collaboration, playfulness, connection to others, and joy—translate into something tangible and utilitarian?

The Globe already had a long history of community-based work, but with the arrival of Erna Finci Viterbi Artistic Director Barry Edelstein in 2012, this effort took on a new urgency. Barry included me in a group whose task was to seek a major grant from The James Irvine Foundation—their so-called "New California Arts Fund"—and I was thrilled when Irvine awarded the Globe a major multiyear award that became the jet fuel for this work. Freedome Bradley-Ballentine came to the Globe from New York to direct our new Department of Arts Engagement, and he galvanized countless people, including me. I was now on a team that wanted to test the idea that theatre can matter to the life of a city.

And test it we have. Since the Globe for All Tour began in 2014, we've been bringing plays to 9,000-plus people all over San Diego and Imperial Counties every year. We've established new programs: Community Voices (playwriting), Behind the Curtain (how a show is made), Reflecting Shakespeare (Shakespeare as departure for self-reflection in correctional facilities), coLAB (creating original work by and for the community), and AXIS (free cultural events on our plaza). We've also offered Globe Learning (ongoing professional development for artists and educators), Free Student Matinees, and school residencies; re-envisioned our Pam Farr Summer Shakespeare Studio; added sensory-friendly shows and related programs; and created a Veterans' Apprenticeship Program in partnership with our Tech Center.

We've expanded from a handful of Teaching Artists to an impressive and diverse roster of about 25 Teaching Artists with cross-disciplinary skills. We're in ongoing, mutually beneficial relationships with more than 25 organizations from all over the county. We break bread together regularly and dream together about new ways we can work in tandem. We have an amazing, dedicated staff that has embraced the work and evolved with us. All this in under four years. We opened up our doors, and San Diegans opened up theirs to us.

In my mind and heart, this test has been an unequivocal success. I could never have imagined that we'd be able to do so much. There is no doubt in my mind that theatre can and does matter to more people. For a long-standing institution such as the Globe, this has been a hard, rigorous, and worthy process. It's stretched us and exposed the places we needed to and could grow. While we've served almost 40,000 people across our programs in just the last year, the real beauty of this work isn't in how many people (although that's important too), but by how much it has changed and challenged every level of this institution. It has called us to be better, to be more welcoming, to be more inclusive, and to listen, and has reinvigorated us with new joy and renewed purpose.

"I've been a witness to lives changed, to hearts enlarged by compassion and empathy for others.





from left) Matthew Boston and Michael Pemberton in the Globe for All Tour of *They Promised Her the Moon* at Las Colinas Detention and Reentry Facility, 2019. Photo by Rich Soublet II.

The 2018 Pam Farr Summer Shakespeare Studio Showcase. Photo by Rich Soublet II.

All of this has shifted my life—because theatre now matters more to me than ever. It has become a place of hope again. I've been a witness to lives changed, to hearts enlarged by compassion and empathy for others. I've wanted to work harder and be more because I knew theatre was becoming a vital and transformative part of many people's lives across San Diego. My San Diego.

Arts engagement at its core isn't really that radical of an idea. We're just letting people know that The Old Globe is a place where they belong no matter where they come from or what they've been through. There is a pathway to the Globe that doesn't cost anything more than a little bit of time and interest. Everyone is welcome here. Theatre belongs to all of us.

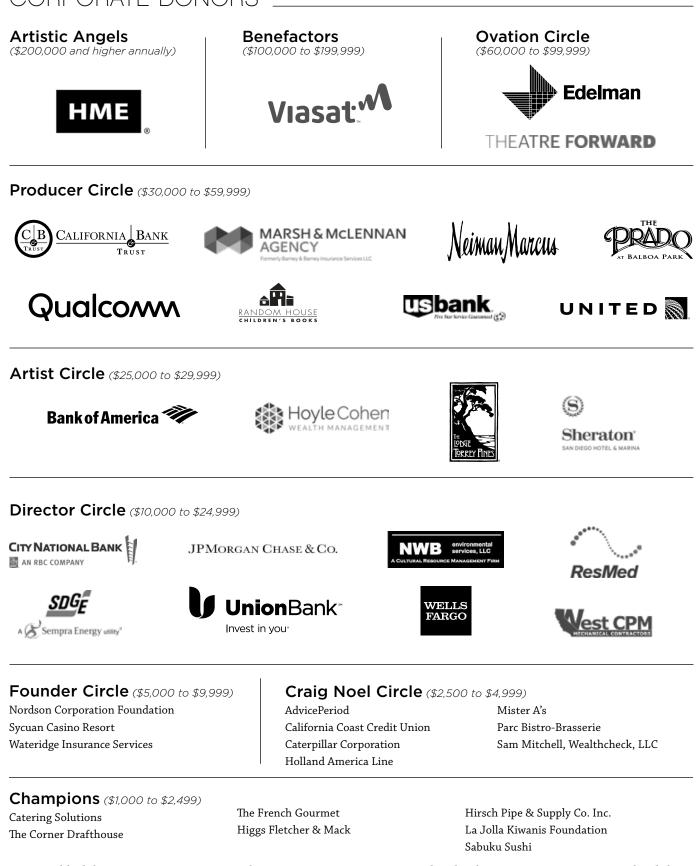
Karen Ann Daniels worked at The Old Globe for six years. She recently relocated to New York City to become Director of the Mobile Unit at The Public Theater.



Guests at the Globe's first free *Grinch* sensory-friendl AXIS event, 2018. Photo by Rich Soublet II.

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