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Shakespeare

IN SCHOOLS





Four Forty Theatre are the UK's freshest, funniest, speediest Shakespeare troupe around and their newest season of comically condensed 16th Century silliness has been referred to as "the perfect introduction to Shakespeare!"

Let your students experience the hilarity of the Bard's best works condensed into short, side-splitting shows. In under an hour each they distill the essence of Shakespeare's masterpieces into uproarious performances. From a suitcase full of ingenious props and costumes our team of four create hysterical, outrageous and timeless stories with huge production value.



Currently available to book are complete productions of Twelfth Night, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Romeo & Juliet, Macbeth, and Hamlet.



Olivia Mason recommends 440 Theatre.

4 August · 🌐

HILARIOUS show of Macbeth & Romeo and Juliet. Adults and kids all really enjoyed the evening - a great balance using lots of original rhyming couplets and humour and a lot of abridging. well done!



Oona McCusker recommends 440 Theatre.

30 July · 🌐

My son has long wanted to see a Shakespeare play, but I was worried about the length, so this seemed ideal. We had a wonderful time and laughed every minute. Definitely will watch out for future performances.

440 Theatre

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Helen Hutchings recommends 440 Theatre.

3 August · 🌐

Fabulous, funny, a great evening. For Shakespeare lovers and non lovers there is something for everyone. Loved Romeo and Juliet followed by Macbeth at Witney Corn exchange last night. It's 5 stars from me.



Catherine Terry recommends 440 Theatre.

28 July · 🌐

What a brilliant evening we had watching 440 Theatre Company perform a whistlestop tour of Romeo and Juliet and Macbeth this evening at Wold Top Brewery. (28th July 2023) Hilarious, fast-moving fun from four hugely talented performers. A great venue too. The first time for Wold Top Brewery hosting this event, and I'm sure it won't be the last. We'll be back next year.



Jude Cole Jones recommends 440 Theatre.

22 July · 🌐

Thoroughly enjoyed tonight's performance of Romeo and Juliet/Macbeth at Theatre Clwyd. Will definitely come and watch you again 🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟

You and 1 other

1 comment



Sara Minors recommends 440 Theatre.

15 July 2022 · 🌐

Amazing show at Painshill Park this evening. Really enjoyed it . Would thoroughly recommend.

Keep doing what you are doing

440 Theatre

2 comments



Chrissy Winter recommends 440 Theatre.

11 July 2021 · 🌐

Absolutely LOVED your double bill of Midsummer Night's Dream and Macbeth, last night. We howled with laughter (as did the whole audience)! Thank you so much and look forward to catching you again, if possible 😊!

You and 2 others

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Louise Warwick recommends 440 Theatre.

28 July · 🌐

Absolutely brilliant night last night (27. 07. 2023)with 440 Theater at Marsden mechanics. Romeo and Juliet and Macbeth, absolutely hilarious, extremely entertaining brought to the audience by very enthusiastic, skilful actors. Would definitely recommend going to watch if you get a chance. Looking forward to your next visit to Marsden, we'll definitely be back for more.

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Nick Williams recommends 440 Theatre.

19 August · 🌐

We saw 440 Theatre do their hilarious double bill of Romeo & Juliet plus Macbeth, in an open air theatre in Penzance. It was fantastic, hilarious, engaging, brilliantly adapted. Bravo & Brava!!

Fabulous show, go and see them!

440 Theatre



Lucy Beard recommends 440 Theatre.

17 August · 🌐

Incredible take on Shakespeares plays. Loved how they interacted with the audience and had fun themselves on stage.

Amazing talent across the board and loved the stage props.

Overall, a 5 out of 5 production!

440 Theatre



Audience Reviews

About Us



Since 2021 Four Forty Theatre have been touring their work around the UK. In such a short space of time Director, Dom Gee-Burch and his wife Laura Sillett have nurtured the business from performing in small scale rural venues to some of the country's top producing theatres.

As professional performers in their own right their credits include numerous UK and International No. 1 Tours including Footloose, HAIR, Dreamboats and Petticoats, Dreamboats and Miniskirts. Other productions include Sweet Charity, One Man Two Guvnors, The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole Aged 13 & $\frac{3}{4}$, Sunday in the Park with George and many more.

In 2022 Four Forty became the first ever Associate Company of Phoenix Arts in Hampshire. As well as a mutually beneficial working relationship the two organisations produced an original children's musical, 'The Hogmoor Troll' written by Dom and Laura.



Workshops

As well as the performance we exclusively offer schools the opportunity to book workshops to aid the students' understanding of the particular text.

These sessions can be tailored to suit various abilities, subject matters and specific student needs. We find it very effective to put a group or individual in the 'director's chair' so they can fully comprehend the impact of their creative choices.

We encourage creative thinking, expression and improvisation in a supportive and structured environment. We achieve this through warm up games as well as direct script work and development.

To see a short YouTube video exploring our past work click [HERE](#)

All show titles are available to book individually or as a tailored package including workshops.

Example Timetable

1 performance and 1 workshop package*

8am Company arrive at the school and meet with staff.

8-8.30am Complete Get In and Preset for performance.

9am Actors welcome students in the performance space.

9.15-9.55am Performance.

10-11am Workshop

11-11.15am Complete Get Out and Company depart.

*All aspects of this schedule can be tailor-made to suit your requirements from additional performances to additional workshops and Q&A sessions.

The economical nature of the performances mean we can carry out shows and workshops in most school halls or auditoriums. Please get in touch if you have an alternative space in mind!



A man and a woman are standing against a bright yellow background. The man, on the left, is wearing a denim jacket over a dark shirt, a colorful flower lei, and sunglasses on his head. He is holding a wooden ukulele and looking towards the right. The woman, on the right, is wearing a denim vest over a dark shirt, a yellow headband, and yellow-tinted glasses. She is looking towards the camera with a slight smile. The overall mood is casual and creative.

Financial Details

Example Package
One Performance & One Workshop
Cost £1500

Further details on additional packages available on request.

Doesn't fit into your budget?

Why not open up the performance to the entire year group or even entire school to spread the cost per head. We can then continue to work with a selected group in the workshop!

For more information please contact us at
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"440 Theatre have something extremely special here and I would urge you all to support them and their plight to bring you Shakespeare with a bit of sass."

"Their inimitable style and charisma definitely set them apart as one of the most playfully ambitious theatre groups that I've seen in a long, long time.."

"... their talent shone in spades!"

"What they achieved in forty minutes was quite frankly impressive..."

"... such a high standard of showmanship amongst this company."

"This is an exceptionally special, hilarious, speedy tour of Shakespeare's arguably greatest plays."





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