SHAKESPEARE IN THE STATE PARK

A SUMMIT PLAYERS THEATRE PRODUCTION A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM. 1 HOUR. 6 ACTORS. HILARIOUS.

SUNDAY JUNE 14
LAKE KEGONSA STATE PARK
9:00AM WORKSHOP
10:30AM PERFORMANCE

PLAYING WITH SHAKESPEARE: GET OUTSIDE WITH WILL
THINK SHAKESPEARE IS OLD AND BORING? THINK AGAIN!
JOIN THE SUMMIT PLAYERS FOR 45 MINUTES OF FUN AND BRAIN ACROBATICS! PLAY SOME GAMES, WORK WITH SOME TEXT, AND EXPLORE THE NATURAL WORLD. LEARN HOW SHAKESPEARE USED NATURE IN HIS PLAYS AND WHY HIS CHARACTERS TALK THE WAY THEY DO. SHED ANY HAMBIC PENTA-JITTERS, THEN JOIN US FOR THE SHOW!

WORKSHOPS FREE OF CHARGE TO PARK PATRONS. RECOMMENDED FOR AGES 8+

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Wisconsin State Park Vehicle Admission Sticker is required and can be purchased upon entry to the park

Summit Players

FREE Summer Shakespeare in the Wisconsin State Parks

Summer 2015 Inaugural Season

Shows Fridays-Sundays, June 6th -July 5th 2015

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The show: a stripped-down, six actor production of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* to be performed for FREE in state parks around Wisconsin. Kyle Conner, a fellow Marquette University alum, created a new cutting of the script to make a tight, one hour and fifteen minute show of mayhem, character switches and hilarity. The production is 'Shakespeare out of a trunk,' with minimal set, costumes, props and a focus on actors, as per the style of Shakespeare's time.

COLLABORATION

The Summit Players will present Friday-Sunday performances during the month of June and early July, working in conjunction with the Wisconsin State Parks system. The first project of its kind and scope in the state, the production and accompanying workshops are being co-produced by the Summit Players and the WI Department of Natural Resources. The Summit Players' mission is to promote overlap between nature and the performing arts by providing accessible outdoor theater to young people and their families.

EDUCATION

Prior to each performance, the company members will lead a 45 minute workshop, "Playing with Shakespeare: Get Outside with Will," for children ages 8+, on understanding Shakespearean text, general theater practices, and how Shakespeare used nature in his plays. The workshops will use theater as a learning tool to build on exploration of character, communication and constructive play.

THE COMPANY

Summit Players originated as a group of seven graduating seniors from Marquette University with degrees in Theater Arts. The company formed with the goal to share theater with communities around the state, and make a connection between creativity, learning and nature. The company grew from the idea to utilize amphitheaters and infrequently used spaces in the state parks as a location for theater performances.

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