

# **Shakespeare: Completely Unbound!**

**August 20 - September 12, 2021** 

An original theatre event created by the artists of Vermont Shakespeare Festival, bringing Shakespeare's timeless words to our community for free!

The Vermont Shakespeare Festival, now in its 17th year of professional open-air productions of Shakespeare plays, presents this fresh new work as a tribute to William Shakespeare, and as a gift to our community. In 2020, while live theatre was closed down, we offered a free program all over northern and central Vermont called Shakespeare to You - Bringing the Bard to Your Yard. We gave over 70 free performances in back yards and retirement communities, celebrating birthdays and graduations with monologues and sonnets. Often a visit from an actor provided a much-needed pick-me-up to someone experiencing isolation. The result was exhilarating! People welcomed us with enthusiasm and gratitude, and it inspired us! In 2021, fulfilling a dream of ours and building on our experiences of the past year, Vermont Shakespeare Festival will offer two of our professional performances this summer outdoors in venues throughout the region free of charge.

Vermont Shakespeare Festival's 2021 summer season will be held outdoors in venues throughout the region.

August 20 and 21 - Memorial Park Band Shell, South Burlington (free)
August 22 - Snow Farm Vineyard, South Hero (ticketed)
August 28 - Highland Center for the Arts (ticketed)
September 11 and 12 - Isham Farm, Williston (ticketed)
All recommended precautions will be observed.

#### **About Vermont Shakespeare Festival**

Vermont Shakespeare Festival brings Shakespeare's plays to life in **powerful open-air productions**. We reimagine Shakespeare through a contemporary lens while immersing the audience in the splendor of outdoor Vermont. Ambitious artistry, dialogue with our community, and a dedication to educating the next generation of theatre artists define who we are as a cultural organization.

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### **Sponsor Our Free Performances!**

Vermont Shakespeare Festival will offer two performances at the Memorial Park Bandshell in South Burlington free to the community. (Ticketed performances will also be offered at three other venues, Isham Farm in Williston, Highland Center for the Arts in Greensboro, and Snow Farm Vineyard in South Hero.)

With a total of six performances, we can accommodate 1,000 people, of all ages! Your sponsorship will have a huge impact on the people of Vermont. The free performances will be accessible to all ages - a joyous and cathartic opportunity to participate in the rebirth of the arts in our beautiful state.

What our community needs this summer is easy and affordable access to the arts, we hope you will join us in this effort!

# 2021 Sponsorship Opportunity

Free Performances Underwriter - \$1,000

## **SPONSOR BENEFITS**

Expected audience: 1,000 in six performances

Program ad - ½ page ad Thank you from the stage

Acknowledged as Underwriter in press releases, articles, direct mail, postcard

Postcards – 1,000 pieces

Social media: postings on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Newsletters

Educational materials for students free for all patrons: Logo on educational materials

Digital and print programs: 1,000 Website: logo on program page

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