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Front cover: Emily Plumtree and Susannah Fielding in The Merchant of Venice



for the first time this year

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

THIS HAS BEEN AN AUSPICIOUS YEAR FOR THE COMPANY, MARKING BOTH **OUR 50TH BIRTHDAY AND THE FIRST FULL YEAR OF OPERATION IN OUR** TRANSFORMED STRATFORD HOME. WE CELEBRATED WITH SOME OF OUR MOST SUCCESSFUL SEASONS EVER.

Our outgoing Artistic Director, Michael Boyd, reopened the Royal Shakespeare Theatre with his production of *Macbeth* and our Artistic Director Designate, Chief Associate Director, Gregory Doran, reopened the Swan Theatre with successful stewardship of the World Shakespeare his re-imagined version of Shakespeare's 'lost' play, Cardenio. These productions were followed by an artistic programme which explored and reflected the best of our work over the last five decades.

As well as celebrating the Company's past achievements, we set an ambitious course for the future.

Our long ensemble travelled to New York to perform a full repertoire of seven Shakespeare plays, in a specially constructed thrust stage auditorium replicating that of the RST, built at our workshops and shipped across the Atlantic in 46 containers.

We transferred Matilda The Musical to London. winning extraordinary audience and critical acclaim, including seven Olivier Awards the highest ever for a single production – beating our own previous record of six for Nicholas Nickleby.

> Our education programme reached more than 30,000 students and almost 2,000 teachers and we launched the first year of Open Stages, working with more than 260 amateur theatre groups and

nine partner theatres to grow the relationship between amateur and professional theatre.

We also laid the foundations for our continuing and Festival, the biggest Shakespeare celebration ever staged, involving more than 70 partners and thousands of artists from across the world.

As Michael and Vikki prepare to hand over to Greg Doran and Catherine Mallyon in this Olympic year, there is a real sense of the baton being passed on. It marks the end of the most tremendous stint and I would like to thank them both, publicly and wholeheartedly, for all that they have achieved together.

They have led the RSC over the last ten years with real vision, ambition and compassion, balancing the books, transforming our Stratford home, and commissioning and staging some of the greatest theatre of the decade - from Michael's acclaimed Histories cycle and The Complete Works festival through to our now mesmerising, wonderful production of Matilda The Musical.

They have been recently honoured for their services to drama, but would be the first to recognise the contributions of the entire Company and the tremendous support and generosity of all our audiences.

We look forward with great confidence.

Nigel Hugill

IT HAS BEEN A HARD DECISION TO LEAVE THE RSC, THIS YEAR OF ALL YEARS.

Why leave the company of all these gifted people who have produced our brilliant Opening and 50th Birthday seasons, our unprecedented residency at the Lincoln Center Festival in New York (together with a beautiful travelling replica of the RST to play it in), our UK-wide World Shakespeare Festival for the Olympics, and Matilda, the most garlanded West End musical in history, while running the most rigorous, successful and influential education programme in the country, all in one year?

This last year has certainly scuppered any hopes I might have had of a gentle wind down, but I am glad to be leaving before I really want to, and at a time when the company is prolific and successful.

When I became Artistic Director, I had a strong sense that ten years would be both necessary and sufficient. That they have been possible and so enjoyable is entirely due to the skill and passion of my colleagues.

A strong, courageous, and talented Board, chaired mostly, in my time, by Christopher Bland, but also by Bob Alexander, and Nigel Hugill, has made my job, and Vikki Heywood's, much easier. Susie Sainsbury, Deputy Chairman, has been the mentor, friend and patron of our dreams.

Without Vikki, we would have fallen apart, particularly while I was rehearsing Shakespeare's *Histories* cycle, and fewer ideals would have become working practice. Without Finance Director, Andrew Parker, we would have been more uncertain and less bold. Without Denise Wood and her producing team, none of our good ideas would have become great theatre.

Successive directors on our Steering Committee have embraced their demanding strategic responsibilities to such an extent and with such deep skill that it is fair to say that they effectively run the RSC.

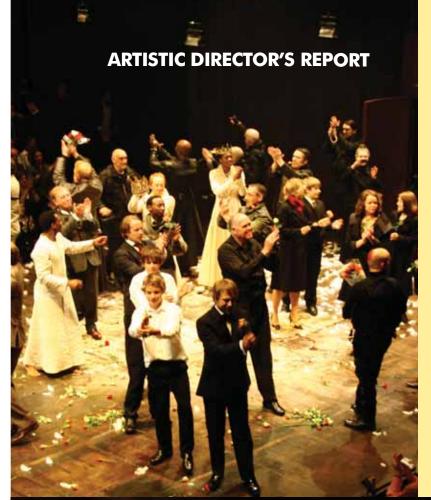
Without my brilliant team of Associate Directors, Tom Piper, our Associate Designer, and our whole artistic team, our programme, and our theatres, would not have burst into such vibrant life so often.

New colleagues, in all our many disciplines, have brought fresh ideas and changed the way we work, whilst others have deepened their understanding of making and presenting theatre at the RSC over forty years.

I owe them all, and all the brilliant artists who have given us their best work, a great debt.

Together they make a great team for Greg Doran and Catherine Mallyon to lead onto the next stage of the Company's journey.

Michael Boyd



The Ensemble

On the last night of the *Histories* at the Roundhouse, I had the rare feeling that we had delivered on our promises. We had shown that our ensemble practice could achieve the very highest standards in world theatre, that the whole could indeed be even better than the sum of its parts, while celebrating the unique brilliance of each of our leading actors. We had revealed Shakespeare's *Histories* cycle as a masterwork, and reasserted the RSC's place in London theatre.



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ARTISTIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Internationalism

King Juan Carlos himself awarded Spain's highest cultural honour to the RSC for this hugely successful *Spanish Golden Age* season curated by Associate Director Laurence Boswell, which caused a radical reassessment of their theatrical inheritance by Spanish theatre makers. We have enjoyed an internationalist perspective at the RSC ever since, celebrating the best of world theatre as part of our *Complete Works* festival, and the *World Shakespeare Festival*, collaborating this year with top artists from Mexico, Moscow, Tunisia, New York, Iraq, Brazil and India, and looking to *A World Elsewhere* trilogy this autumn.

Career development

The RSC has long been the most important centre in the country for developing theatrical careers.

A glance at the biographies of leading actors, directors and executive directors in the UK confirms this. If you get this right, you have to be prepared to lose talented colleagues to opportunities elsewhere. Dominic Cooke's pitch perfect *The Crucible* was the beginning of the end of his time as my Associate Director. Both he and our brilliant Commercial Director, Kate Horton, were soon poached by the Royal Court to lead them through six of their most successful years.

Elsewhere, there is



A warm welcome

Our new Royal Shakespeare Theatre has not only delivered on its promise to be the best theatre for Shakespeare in the world, but it is now more welcoming than ever before. I'm particularly proud of our successful marriage of deep knowledge and warm, helpful service to the public in our shops, restaurant and front of house. At stage door too, at production meetings and get-ins everybody feels welcomed to our theatre by an informed and expert team who feel they own the place and are keen to share it.

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Education

The RSC's work with teachers and young people is second to none, and could well have the greatest cultural impact of anything we have done over the last ten years.

Our decision to form long-term relationships with clusters of schools throughout the country has produced astonishing results, and changed the way Shakespeare is taught in England. Director of Education Jacqui O'Hanlon and her team have won their way into the heart of creative planning at the RSC, and helped us to remain curious, engaged and contemporary in theatre-making.



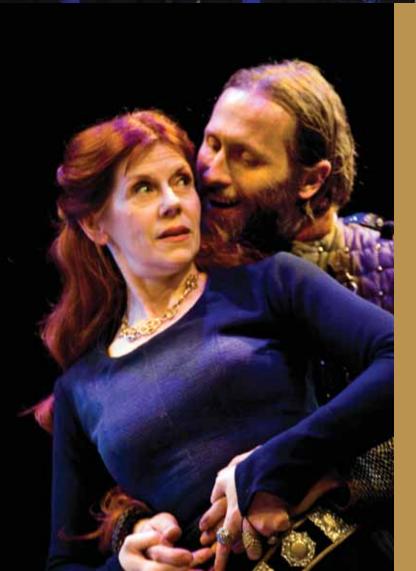
New work

The RSC is the most famous theatre company named after a playwright in the world.

David Greig and Dennis Kelly have each given the RSC some of their very best work recently in *Dunsinane* (Greig), and *Matilda* and *The Gods Weep* (Kelly). David's *American Pilot*, Helen Edmundson's *The Heresy of Love*, Roy Williams' *Days of Significance*, Debbie Tucker Green's *Trade*, David Edgar's *Written on the Heart*, Natalia Vorozhbit's *The Grain Store*, Tim Crouch's *I Cinna*, and Dominic Cooke's season *Postcards from America* are just some of my other favourite RSC commissioned plays of the last few years.

I have also enjoyed new work on our stages from other theatre artists.

Our work on Shakespeare from Associate Director Rupert Goold, for instance, has been consistently innovative and startlingly fresh, successfully reprinting our house playwright for our own times.

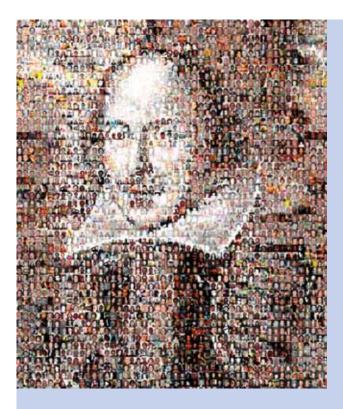


COMING BACK TO THE RSC AFTER A BREAK OF OVER 20 YEARS WAS INITIALLY BOTH A SHOCK AND A LOVELY RETURN TO A PLACE I KNEW WELL.

I had never imagined after leaving as a Stage Manager that I would return to run the company. During my time here I have focused on making sure it was a terrific place to work, widening the reach of the work we have created, increasing our influence in arts and education policy, transforming the estate and securing a strong financial base. It was a hard decision to leave, but with my ambitions accomplished it is the right time to go. None of this would have been possible without the help and support of so many people both inside and outside the company. My thanks to them and especially to Michael without whom none of this would have happened at all . . .

Vikki Heywood





People

I was very keen to improve the RSC's management to ensure that every member of staff felt valued and that we had a management style that was in line with our artistic process, one of ensemble theatre making. Over the years, we worked together ensuring the Company's new vision, values and behaviours were compatible with an ensemble and making sure staff felt accountable and empowered. I believe this has had a wider effect – to improve the public perception and identity of the RSC, which has contributed to it being the best known theatre brand in the UK. The whole RSC is most definitely more than the sum of its parts. A company is a team and a business thrives when it performs as one. In the case of the RSC, that means actors, painters, accountants, designers, milliners, chefs, electricians, producers, carpenters, technicians, lawyers, dressers, film makers - and countless other skills working together towards a common goal. The professionalism required to achieve this is endless and inspiring.



Audience

Nothing has inspired me more during my time at the RSC than the breadth of age, interest and knowledge of our audiences. They have embraced over 150 productions, discovered our rehearsal and creative processes, and explored our building sites. Many people who visit an RSC production, workshop or event whether in Stratford, Newcastle, around the UK or further afield, come time and time again to reconnect with Shakespeare or the wider repertoire of the company. Sitting amongst children enjoying one of our Young People's Shakespeare productions especially created for them, or watching their peers perform Shakespeare for the first time has been a highlight for me. I hope during my time at the RSC we have inspired a generation to love Shakespeare and for those already hooked I know we have provided a huge amount of enjoyment. We simply could not have done it without their loyalty and support.

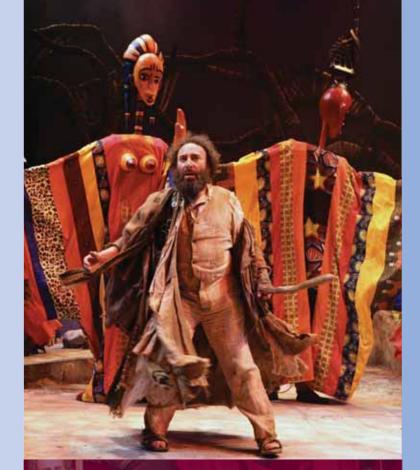


EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Fundraising

The strength of the Company's reputation and the high standard of our work means we have been extremely well supported by government, trusts and major donors such as Susie Sainsbury, Abigail and Leslie Wexner, Bruce and Suzie Kovner, the Weston Family, Drue Heinz, Mark Pigott and Elnora Ferguson. I would like to thank them all for their desire to become so closely connected with the RSC and we have all, funder and funded alike, enjoyed our partnership. The breadth of support for the RSC, which included 18,000 people from 60 countries supporting our campaign to transform our Stratford home, has been breathtaking. It is impossible to overstate the depth of gratitude the RSC has for the tens of thousands of individuals and foundations that believe in our credo and, as a result, want to join us

and support our work.



Reach

We have transformed the way we reach a wider audience. In the UK, we have remained committed to an annual Newcastle season and we have regularly toured largescale productions of Shakespeare across the country. We have extended our performance repertoire outside the UK with a major residency in New York, as well as touring to many countries including Japan, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Mexico, USA and Australia. Our Young People's Shakespeare programme is interconnected with our Learning and Performance Network as part of our commitment to train and support teachers and practitioners in the teaching of Shakespeare. Our Stand up for Shakespeare campaign is highly respected. If we can't reach people in person, we have reached them digitally with two broadcasts of major productions to an audience of millions, whilst I, Cinna was broadcast live and available to every secondary school in the country. We also produced our first ever play on Twitter. Our website has been transformed to offer a wide-ranging and vibrant experience for our online audiences.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Partnerships

Without the range of talented and dedicated partners we have, we could not have achieved anything. The DCMS, the England, the British Council and LOCOG as well as being our local collaborator.





London

Over the past ten years we have performed 79 productions in over 12 London venues – that's 1,768 performances. For some, the Company's peripatetic seasons in the capital have proved elusive and frustrating, for others the opportunity to see the work in different environments has been inspiring. We have worked closely with a wide range of theatre owners over the years, including seasons at the Roundhouse and Delfont Mackintosh theatres. Others such as Ambassador Theatre Group, Thelma Holt, NIMAX, The Really Useful Group, Bill Kenwright and Duncan C Weldon enabled productions to transfer from Stratford. Hampstead Theatre, Soho Theatre, Wilton's Music Hall, Tricycle Theatre and Riverside Studios enabled our new and experimental work to be seen.













Since the doors to the new Royal Shakespeare and Swan Theatres opened, 750,000 visitors have joined us to enjoy what the building has to offer. Every day is different, but a typical Saturday can see four performances, storytelling in our public spaces, six theatre tours, three exhibitions and interactive displays, up to 200 diners in our Rooftop Restaurant, a stream of people through our café and bars, hundreds of people visiting the top of the Tower and browsing in the shop from 10.00am, when doors open, till they close late at night.

> All the front of house activity is captured on the Duty Managers' reports which paint a picture of daily life in the public spaces of the RST. Here's a snapshot of a busy day.

9.15 First Behind the Scenes

10.00 Ticket Hotline, bars, café, exhibition spaces and

10.45 First Front of

9.15

The first of our six theatre tours kicked off with people excited to go behind the scenes. We have a touch tour taking place before the audio described matinee performance.

0.00

The building opened and was busy from the off with a large number of people waiting outside to either buy tickets or attend the Story Garden event. It was a sunny day and the riverside terrace quickly filled with customers from the café.





11.00

The touch tour before this afternoon's audio described performance in the RST ran smoothly.

11.30

Mid-morning a lady using a wheelchair arrived at the top of the Tower for a birthday visit. She is 91 years young and some years ago had worked for the RSC as an usher. She had a very enjoyable time and shared some memories with the Front of House Assistants (FOHAs).



The house opened and we had a busy incoming but no major issues. During the shows there was a steady stream of visitors seeing the exhibitions around the building and to take a trip up the Tower. One couple were on their fifth visit to the Stan's Café exhibition!



A group leader asked to borrow a life-size cardboard cutout of William Shakespeare for her group to use in a photo shoot outside the building. I wasn't able to rustle one up but Marketing very kindly lent us a pop-up banner which did the trick!

19.00



22.00 22.00 23.00

11.00 12.00

> 11.15 Third and fourth theatre tours begin

11.30 Rooftop

13.00

13.15 Matinee nerformances in the theatres

14.00

15.00

16.00 17.00

13.15

17.00 Pre show dining at the Rooftop Restaurant

17.15 Last Behind the

Before clearance was given a

lady asked if she could sit on

an available seat closer to the

door as she was convinced the

performance was running late

and she wanted to be able to

leave quickly and quietly in

order to get her bus.

17.00

18.00

108 guests ate pre-theatre dinner in the Rooftop Restaurant. A few guests enjoyed afternoon tea, cakes and nibbles out on the terrace, as well as a few glasses of champagne and cocktails at the Cocktail bar. All quests left with plenty of time to make it to their performances. 19.15

We had hordes of latecomers and frequent trips to the toilet, all of which were dealt with as smoothly as possible. The building was quiet during the performances. A number of diners joined us for dinner in the Rooftop Restaurant.

22.00

Several customers passed on their appreciation for such a 'wonderful' show. The bar was packed post show and members of the acting company were also enjoying a drink.



11.15

During the morning a man came in to ask if we could put 'Will You Marry Me?' on the screen over the main entrance in a few weeks' time so he can propose to his girlfriend as they arrive at the theatre! We have taken his details.



12.00

The building was buzzing as people arrived for the two matinees. Bars opened half an hour before the performances and all FOHAs fully briefed.

The performance was on time and she left at the end in plenty of time to catch her bus.



24.00

Clearance for the building to close was given just after midnight. We welcomed approximately 6,500 visitors to the building today and the doors open again tomorrow at 10.00am.

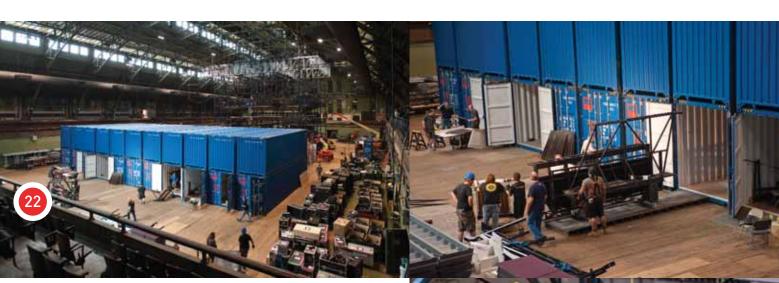


18.20 Last Tower Vi



NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Our ensemble travelled to New York, with a full repertoire of seven Shakespeare plays, presented by Lincoln Center Festival and Park Avenue Armory, in association with The Ohio State University. It was the biggest season ever staged in our history of visiting the US and an extraordinary undertaking.



BEHIND THE SCENES

14 days to fit-up and fit-out the theatre

161 tonnes of winches, stage, proscenium and band platform

85 tonnes of scenery and costumes for **7**productions

Approximately
425 costumes and 350
pairs of boots and shoes

20 litres of blood

5 tins of lychees for eye balls











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Best New Musical

Best Actress in a Musical Cleo Demetriou, Kerry Ingram, Sophia Kiely,

Eleanor Worthington Cox

Best Director

Matthew Warchus

Best Set Design

Rob Howell

Best Sound Design

Simon Baker

Best Theatre Choreographer **Peter Darling**

Best Actor in a Musical Award

Bertie Carvel

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EDUCATION

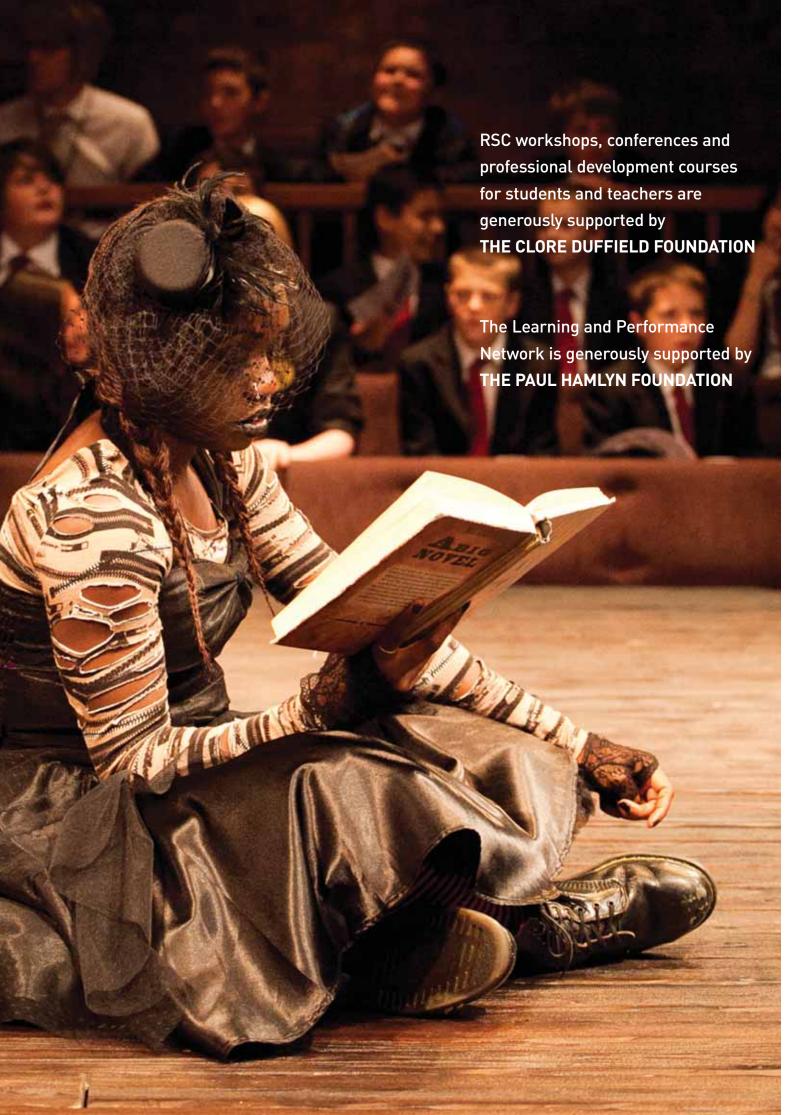
Our UK education programme grew, with its ambition to ensure every young person connects with Shakespeare's work in ways that inspire and excite them. We worked with almost 30,000 students and almost 2,000 teachers, 95% of whom rated our work as 'excellent', and we had our best results ever for our Post Graduate Award in the teaching of Shakespeare.

We continued our highly successful Learning and Performance Network, which reaches 400 schools who have a high proportion of children on free school meals or limited access to high quality cultural experiences. We recruited five new partner theatres to the Network who will embed our highly-regarded 'hub and cluster' model with schools in their own areas over the next three years.

Our Young People's Shakespeare, Hamlet, took to the road performing in schools through the day and in theatres in the evening, in a new touring model.

The Post Graduate Award in the Teaching of Shakespeare is an absolutely fantastic initiative. It gave me the confidence to approach Shakespeare in a way even as actor I find quite hard. It's great to see and experience the ideas with real children throughout the course and see the practitioners put the exercises in practice while drawing on our input. Knowing that I could approach the course from an actor's perspective really helped me bring something unique to the experience and was great to have the support of the practitioners all the way to the end of the course.

Madeline Appiah, actor playing Katherine in the YPS *The Taming of the Shrew*



YPS HAMLET

Our Young People's Shakespeare, *Hamlet*, took to the road performing in schools through the day and in theatres in the evening, in a new touring model.

What was it like having the Prince of Denmark in our school for two days? Wonderful! He was a royal visitor, and like any royal visitor might, he commanded attention. The narrative was thrilling and the audience rapt. Theatre needs children – and children need theatre. This "Hamlet" introduced many to the power of the stage for the first time and it mattered immensely. And when it came time for the Prince to depart, he left behind an auditorium of converts.

Deputy Head Teacher

I did not want to blink or move. I was glued to watching the stage.

12 year old student, Brannel School, Cornwall

9,922 people sawthe show, including6,469 young people

45% of audiences were new to the RSC

22% were introduced to Shakespeare for the first time through the tour



OPEN STAGES – CELEBRATING AMATEUR THEATRE Oldest member age **90** A Maori Coriolanus, an all-female Richard III Open Stages was such a fantastic experience. Youngest member The RSC made it so easy for us from the and a performance that puts Shakespeare's favourite characters in a public swimming moment we walked through the Stage Door. 19 Macbeths age 6 pool in Penzance, just three of the 250 Anxieties about the set melted away and we amateur productions that formed part of had fabulous support from stage management, Open Stages, the UK's biggest amateur sound and lighting. I enjoyed the content of all **18** A Midsummer theatre project. This ground-breaking RSC the workshops immensely and they were very initiative has captured the imagination of relevant to what we do. As an amateur who has Night's Dreams over 7,200 participants across the country never had any formal training but loves drama with amateur groups performing their own and performs a lot in amateur productions and productions with help and guidance from Eisteddfods and festivals, it was incredible to 12 Twelfth Nights us and nine other regional partner theatres. suddenly have access to teaching at this level. Open Stages participant **7,200** performers **260** groups **9** UK partner theatres Herrick Theatre perform Open Stages is generously supported A Merrie Winter's Tale in The Courtyard Theatre as part by The Esmée Fairburn Foundation of an Open Stages Showcase

RSC50 EVENTS AND PLAY READINGS

Architecture of the Imagination On Stage Event with Michael Boyd and Tom Piper **Royal Shakespeare Theatre** 7 May 2011

The School of the Night Play Reading Ashcroft Room 7 May 2011 **DIRECTED BY Rebecca Gatward**

Good **Play Reading** Ashcroft Room 15 May 2011 DIRECTED BY Lyndsey Turner

Les Liaisons Dangereuses **A Celebration**

Royal Shakespeare Theatre 29 May 2011 DIRECTED BY Gérald Garutti

The Dillen A Celebration Adapted by Ron Hutchinson **Swan Theatre** 4 June 2011 **HOSTED BY Fiona Lindsay**

Singing the Building A Promenade Performance around The Royal Shakespeare Theatre Royal Shakespeare Theatre 4 June 2011

A Taster of the Work and Philosophy of Michel Saint-Denis Waterside Space 18 June 2011 HOSTED BY Struan Leslie

Poppy Play Reading Book and Lyrics by Peter Nichols

Ashcroft Room 9 July 2011 DIRECTED BY Mark Ravenhill

Mark Ravenhill The Sunday Talk **Swan Theatre** 10 July 2011

Fashion Play Reading Ashcroft Room 9 July 2011 DIRECTED BY Mark Ravenhill

Mark Ravenhill The Sunday Talk **Swan Theatre** 10 July 2011

Theatre, Art and the 1960s In Conversation Royal Shakespeare Theatre 18 July 2011

International Exchange In Conversation 23 July 2011 **HOSTED BY Deborah Shaw**

After Easter Play Reading by Anne Devlir **Ashcroft Room** 6 August 2011 DIRECTED BY Róisín McBrinn

Slaughter City Play Reading Ashcroft Room 6 August 2011 DIRECTED BY Caitlin McLeod

Silly Plays by **Lady Dramatists** The Sunday Talk Royal Shakespeare Theatre 7 August 2011 **HOSTED BY Tanika Gupta**

Terry Hands In Conversation Royal Shakespeare Theatre 14 August 2011 HOSTED BY Gregory Doran

The Swan and the **Lost Library of** Jacobethan Plays The Sunday Talk **Swan Theatre** 21 August 2011 **HOSTED BY Gregory Doran**

Singer Play Reading **Ashcroft Room** 21 August 2011 DIRECTED BY Peter Flannery **Theatremakers** with Hammers On Stage Event Royal Shakespeare Theatre 3 September 2011

The Theatre **Designers' Designer** The Sunday Talk Royal Shakespeare Theatre 4 September 2011 HOSTED BY Tom Piper

The Life and Adventures of Nicholas Nickleby **A Celebration** Royal Shakespeare Theatre 4 September 2011 **HOSTED BY Fiona Lindsay**

What Makes a **Good Musical?** The Sunday Talk Royal Shakespeare Theatre 25 September 2011 HOSTED BY **Jeanie O'Hare**

John Barton and Cicely Berry Open Workshop Royal Shakespeare Theatre 18 September 2011

The RSC: a Musical 50 Years A Celebration Royal Shakespeare Theatre 25 September 2011 DIRECTED BY Ryan McBride

Harold Pinter's Birthday Readings of Landscape and The Collection Swan Theatre 10 October 2011 **DIRECTED BY Ramin Gray**

Harold Pinter at the RSC A Reading of Ashes to Ashes Swan Theatre 15 October 2011 DIRECTED BY David Farr

A Cruel Morning with Anthony Neilson On Stage Event Royal Shakespeare Theatre 22 October 2011 HOSTED BY Pippa Hill

The Hang of the Gaol Play Reading

Ashcroft Room 22 October 2011 **DIRECTED BY Justin Audibert**

Softcops **Play Reading Royal Shakespeare Theatre** 30 October 2011 **Elizabeth Freestone**

US Film Screening Swan Theatre 4 November 2011

Theatre of Protest: Politics on Stage On Stage Event Swan Theatre 5 November 2011 **HOSTED BY Peter Brook**

Maydays **Play Reading** Ashcroft Room 5 November 2011 DIRECTED BY Polly Findlay

Howard Davies: The Place, The Other Place and The Warehouse On Stage Event Swan Theatre 26 November 2011 HOSTED BY **Christopher Campbell**

Educating Rita A Celebration **Swan Theatre** 27 November 2011 HOSTED BY Jeanie O'Hare

Adrian Noble In Conversation **Swan Theatre** 27 November 2011 Michael Attenborough

Trevor Nunn In Conversation **Swan Theatre** 4 December 2011 HOSTED BY Genista McIntosh

Cardenio

Shakespeare's 'Lost Play' re-imagined by Gregory Doran and Antonio Álamo **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Swan Theatre 14 April 2011

64 performances

DIRECTED BY **Gregory Doran** DESIGNED BY Niki Turner LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Tim Mitchell MUSIC BY Paul Englishby SOUND DESIGNED BY Martin Slavin MOVEMENT BY Michael Ashcroft FIGHTS BY Terry King PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurttz

Macbeth

by William Shakespeare **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Royal Shakespeare Theatre 16 April 2011

79 performances

DIRECTED BY Michael Boyd DESIGNED BY Tom Piper LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Jean Kalman MUSIC BY Craig Armstrong SOUND DESIGNED BY Andrew Franks MOVEMENT BY Struan Leslie FIGHTS BY Terry King PUPPETRY CONSULTANT Steve Tiplady ACROBATIC COACH Danny MacDonald PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurttz

The City Madam

by Philip Massinger **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Swan Theatre 5 May 2011

53 performances

DIRECTED BY **Dominic Hill** DESIGNED BY Tom Piper LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Tim Mitchell MUSIC AND SOUND BY **Dan Jones** MOVEMENT BY Struan Leslie FIGHTS BY Renny Krupinkski DIRECTOR OF PUPPETRY

Rachael Canning

MAGIC ADVISOR Chris Harding, courtesy of the House of Magic PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurttz



developed in association with Davidson College, USA

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Hampstead Theatre London 16 April 2011

24 performances

DIRECTED BY Roxana Silbert DESIGNED BY Ti Green LIGHTING DESIGNED BY

Chahine Yavroyan MUSIC AND SOUND BY

Ben and Max Ringham MOVEMENT BY Ayse Tashkiran FIGHTS BY Terry King AERIAL CONSULTANT **Vicki Amedume** for Upswing

PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Hugo Glendinning

The Merchant of Venice

by William Shakespeare **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Royal Shakespeare Theatre 13 May 2011

59 performances

DIRECTED BY Rupert Goold DESIGNED BY Tom Scutt LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Rick Fisher MUSIC BY Adam Cork SOUND DESIGNED BY Gregory Clarke CHOREOGRAPHY BY Scott Ambler MUSIC ASSOCIATE AND ORCHESTRATIONS

Alex Baranowski

PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurttz

by Filter and David Farr **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Hampstead Theatre London

18 performances

12 May 2011

DIRECTED BY David Farr DESIGNED BY Jon Bausor LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Jon Clark MUSIC AND SOUND BY Tim Phillips VIDEO DESIGN BY Douglas O'Connell



by David Grieg **National Theatre of Scotland** production first performed by the RSC

Swan Theatre 15 June 2011

21 performances

DIRECTED BY Roxana Silbert DESIGNED BY Robert Innes Hopkins LIGHTING DESIGNED BY

Chahine Yavroyan

MUSIC AND SOUND BY Nick Powell MOVEMENT BY **Anna Morrissey** FIGHTS BY Terry King

> PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Richard Campbell



American Trade

by Tarell Alvin McCranev **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Hampstead Theatre London

2 June 2011

18 performances

DIRECTED BY Jamie Lloyd DESIGNED BY Soutra Gilmour LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Neil Austin MUSIC AND SOUND BY

Ben and Max Ringham MOVEMENT BY Ann Yee FIGHTS BY Kate Waters PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Manuel Harlan

Assistant Director Projects

Hampstead Theatre **Downstairs** 14 - 17 June 2011

Ahasverus DIRECTED BY Michael Fentiman The Bullet DIRECTED BY Vik Sivalingam

Mojo DIRECTED BY Justin Audibert The Price DIRECTED BY Helen Leblique

> Lorna Heavey FIGHTS BY Terry King

by William Shakespeare

As You Like It

LINCOLN CENTER **FESTIVAL RESIDENCY**

Park Avenue Armory New York 6 July 2011 9 performances

DIRECTED BY Michael Boyd DESIGNED BY Tom Piper LIGHTING DESIGNED BY

Wolfgang Göbbel MUSIC BY John Woolf

CHOREOGRAPHY AND MOVEMENT BY

Struan Leslie

SOUND DESIGNED BY Andrew Franks FIGHTS BY Terry King PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurtz

Hamlet

(Young People's Shakespeare) by William Shakespeare **Edited by Bijan Sheibani** and Tarell Alvin McCraney

Board of Officers Room Park Avenue Armory New York 14 July 2011 4 performances

DIRECTED BY Tarell Alvin McCraney DESIGNED BY Jean Chan ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Michael Fentiman

ASSOCIATE DESIGNER Tom Piper FIGHTS BY Terry King

PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Hugo Glendinning

The Comedy of Errors

(Young People's Shakespeare) by William Shakespeare **Edited by Gary Owen** In association with Told By An Idiot

Board of Officers Room Park Avenue Armory New York 20 July 2011 8 performances

DIRECTED BY Paul Hunter DESIGNED BY Michael Vale MUSIC BY lain Johnstone ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Hayley Carmichael

PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurttz AND FOR THE NEW YORK RESIDENCY Stephanie Berger

Julius Caesar

by William Shakespeare

Park Avenue Armory New York 28 July 2011 7 performances

DIRECTED BY Lucy Bailey SET AND VIDEO DESIGNED BY

William Dudley

COSTUME DESIGNED BY Fotini Dimou LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Oliver Fenwick MOVEMENT BY Sarah Dowling MUSIC BY Django Bates SOUND DESIGNED BY Fergus O'Hare ASSOCIATE DESIGNER Nathalie Maury VIDEO DESIGNED BY Alan Cox MOVEMENT BY Sarah Dowling FIGHTS BY Philip d'Orléans PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurttz



Romeo and Juliet

by William Shakespeare

Park Avenue Armory New York 10 July 2011 11 performances

DIRECTED BY Rupert Goold DESIGNED BY Tom Scutt LIGHTING DESIGNED BY **Howard Harrison**

MUSIC AND SOUND BY Adam Cork VIDEO AND PROJECTION DESIGN BY

CHOREOGRAPHER Georgina Lamb

PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurttz

King Lear

by William Shakespeare

Park Avenue Armory New York 15 July 2011 9 performances

DIRECTED BY David Farr DESIGNED BY Jon Bausor LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Jon Clark MUSIC BY Keith Clouston SOUND DESIGNED BY **Christopher Shutt**

MOVEMENT BY Ann Yee FIGHTS BY Kate Waters PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Manuel Harlan The Winter's Tale

by William Shakespeare

Park Avenue Armory New York 21 July 2011 9 performances

DIRECTED BY David Farr DESIGNED BY Jon Bausor LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Jon Clark MUSIC BY Keith Clouston SOUND DESIGNED BY Martin Slavin CHOREOGRAPHY BY Arthur Pita DIRECTOR OF PUPPETRY Steve Tiplady AERIAL CONSULTANT Lyndall Merry PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY

Alessandro Evangelista

The Homecoming

by Harold Pinter **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Swan Theatre 28 July 2011

47 performances

DIRECTED BY David Farr DESIGNED BY Jon Bausor LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Jon Clark SOUND DESIGNED BY Martin Slavin MOVEMENT BY Kate Sagovsky FIGHTS BY Kate Waters

PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Manual Harlan

The Taming of the Shrew

(Young People's Shakespeare) by William Shakespeare edited by Tim Crouch **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Swan Theatre 24 September 2011

10 performances

DIRECTED BY

Hugo

Tim Crouch DESIGNED BY Lily Arnold PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY



Matilda The Musical

Book by Dennis Kelly Music and Lyrics by Tim Minchin from the novel by Roald Dahl

Cambridge Theatre London 25 October 2011

178 performances

DIRECTED BY

Matthew Warchus DESIGNED BY Rob Howell CHOREOGRAPHED BY Peter Darling MUSICAL SUPERVISION AND ORCHESTRATION

Y Christopher Nightingale IGHTING DESIGNED BY **Hugh Vanstone** SOUND DESIGNED BY Simon Baker ILLUSION BY Paul Kieve PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Manuel Harlan



by William Shakespeare **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE Royal Shakespeare Theatre

29 July 2011 52 performances

A Midsummer Night's Dream

DIRECTED BY Nancy Meckler DESIGNED BY Katrina Lindsay LIGHTING DESIGNED BY

Wolfgang Göbbel MUSIC BY **Keith Clouston** SOUND DESIGNED BY Gregory Clarke MOVEMENT BY Liz Ranken FIGHTS BY Malcolm Ranson

PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurttz

of Jean-Paul Marat as performed by the inmates of the asylum of **Charenton under the direction** of the Marquis de Sade

English version by Geoffrey Skelton Verse adaptation by Adrian Mitchell **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Royal Shakespeare Theatre 14 October 2011 18 performances

DIRECTED BY Anthony Neilson DESIGNED BY Garance Marneur LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Chahine Yavroyan MUSIC BY Khyam Allami SOUND DESIGNED BY **Spesh Maloney** MOVEMENT BY **Anna Morrissey** FIGHTS BY **Kev McCurdy** PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Manuel Harlan

Written on the Heart by David Edgar

New Production

FIRST PERFORMANCE Swan Theatre

27 October 2011 50 performances

DIRECTED BY Gregory Doran DESIGNED BY Francis O'Connor LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Tim Mitchell MUSIC BY Paul Englishby SOUND DESIGNED BY Jonathan Ruddick PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Ellie Kurttz

Measure for Measure

by William Shakespeare **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Swan Theatre 17 November 2011

58 performances

DIRECTED BY Roxana Silbert DESIGNED BY Garance Marneur LIGHTING DESIGNED BY

Chahine Yavroyan

MUSIC AND SOUND BY Dave Price MOVEMENT BY **Ayse Tashkiran**

PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Hugo Glendinning

The Taming of the Shrew

by William Shakespeare **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Royal Shakespeare Theatre 19 January 2012

35 performances DIRECTED BY Lucy Bailey DESIGNED BY Ruth Sutcliffe LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Oliver Fenwick MUSIC BY **John Eacott** SOUND DESIGNED BY **Jeremy Dunn** MOVEMENT BY Liam Steel FIGHTS BY Terry King PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Sheila Burnett

The Heresy of Love

by Helen Edmundson **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE

Swan Theatre 2 February 2012 25 performances

DIRECTED BY Nancy Meckler DESIGNED BY Katrina Lindsay LIGHTING DESIGNED BY **Ben Ormerod** MUSIC BY Ilona Sekacz SOUND DESIGNED BY John Leonard MOVEMENT BY Liz Ranken PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Robert Day



New Production

FIRST PERFORMANCE Royal Shakespeare

Theatre 18 November 2011

56 performances

DIRECTED BY Gísli Örn Gardarsson SET DESIGNED BY BÖRKUR JONSSON COSTUME DESIGNED BY **Emma Ryott** LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Björn Helgason MUSIC BY **Högni Egilsson** SOUND DESIGNED BY Gregory Clarke MOVEMENT BY **Selma Björnsdóttir** FIGHTS BY **Kev McCurdy** PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY **Eggert Jonsson**

7 performances **Richmond Theatre**

20 March 2012 7 performances

Nottingham

13 March 2012

Theatre Royal **Bath** 27 March 2012 7 performances

Song of Songs **New Production**

FIRST PERFORMANCE **Swan Theatre** 28 February 2012 3 performances

DIRECTED AND CHOREOGRAPHED BY

Struan Leslie DESIGNED BY Emma Bailey and Georgia Lowe LIGHTING DESIGNED BY Matt Peel MUSIC BY John Woolf SOUND DESIGNED BY Jonathan Ruddick PRODUCTION PHOTOS BY Asia Werbel

Bill Buckhurst Trystan Gravelle Anna Madeley Tom Mothersdale Mark Rice-Oxley Dominic Rowan Lex Shrapnel Riann Steele

Good

Susan Brown Michelle Butterly Paul Chahidi Tom Goodman-Hill Lloyd Hutchinson Jessica Raine Joe Stilgoe Tom Vaughan-Lawlor Peter Wight

Les Liaisons **Dangereuses**

Raymond Coulthard Amy Beth Hayes Clare Higgins Harry Lloyd Georgina Rich Rachael Stirling Una Stubbs Tom Vaughan-Lawlor

After Easter

Brid Brennan Killian Burke Kathy Kiera Clarke Denise Gough Pauline Hutton Nick Lee Finbar Lynch Justine Mitchell

Poppy & Fashion

Paul Bazeley Amy Booth-Steel Laura Brydon Emma Cunniffe Sally Dexter Joe Dixon John Gordon Sinclair Jill Halfpenny James Haves Tony Haygarth Paul Hickey Ciaran Kellgren Sam Kenyon Stuart Neal

Maydays

Mark Arends Paul Copley Nick Fletcher Stephen Greif Janet Henfrey Joanna Horton Anthony Howell Michael Mears Oscar Pearce

A Celebration of Nicholas Nickleby

Christopher Benjamin Suzanne Bertish Janet Dale Patrick Godfrey Julie Peasgood Edward Petherbridge **Emily Richard** David Threlfall Timothy Spall

Ashes to Ashes

Lindsay Duncan Finbar Lynch

The Collection

David Dawson Hattie Morahan Steven Pacey Dominic Rowan

Singer

Edward Bennett Oliver Chris Marcus Cunningham Peter Flannery Andrew French Geoffrey Freshwater Michael Maloney Tim McInnerny David Schofield Miranda Stewart Ellie Taylor

Slaughter City

Nicholas Bailey Keith Bartlett Louis Brooke Lorna Brown Claire Cox Stuart McQuarrie Rebecca Oldfield

Softcops

Nigel Cooke Arthur Darvill Dyfan Dwyfor John Marquez Craig Ritchie Tim Steed Geoffrey Streatfeild Howard Ward

The Dillen

Bruce Alexander James Fleet Francine Morgan Keith Osborn Carolyn Pickles

Landscape

Henry Goodman Juliet Stevenson

The Pinter Interview

Ben Miles Steven Pacey

The Hang of the Gaol

Sam Alexander Joseph Arkley Neal Barry Ken Bones Ricky Champ Nicky Cox Rebecca Johnson Forbes Masson Oliver Ryan John Stahl Stephanie Street Matthew Wilson

Cardenio

The City Madam

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Marat/Sade

Maya Barcot

Jasper Britton

Sara Crowe

Liz Crowther

Nicholas Day

Imogen Doel

Lucy Briggs-Owen

Christopher Chilton

Kammy Darweish

Christopher Ettridge

Christopher Godwin

Michael Grady-Hall

Lisa Hammond

Matti Houghton

Lanre Malaolu

Andrew Melville

Simeon Moore

Theo Ogundipe

Harry Myers Pippa Nixon

Nathaniel Martello-

Alex Hassell

Felix Hayes

White

The Homecoming

Macbeth

The Merchant of Venice

The Taming of the Shrew (YPS)

David McGranaghan

Aislín McGuckin

Geoffrey Newland

Jason Morell

Nikesh Patel

Daniel Percival

Emily Plumtree

Richard Riddell

Justin Salinger

Jonathan Slinger Patrick Stewart

Steve Toussaint

Nicholas Woodeson Christopher Wright

Daniel Rose



Chiké Okonkwo Oliver Rix Golda Rosheuvel Timothy Speyer Jo Stone-Fewings Amanda Wilkin Marc Wootton

Madeline Appiah Jamie Beamish Rebecca Brewer Howard Charles Susannah Fielding Scott Handy Chris Jarman Aidan Kelly Caroline Martin Des McAleer





Charlie Waters

Long Ensemble **New York Residency**

presented by Lincoln Center Festival and Park Avenue Armory, in association with The Ohio State University



As You Like It

The Comedy of Errors Sandy Neilson (YPS)

Hamlet (YPS)

Julius Caesar

King Lear

Romeo and Juliet

The Winter's Tale

Charles Aitken Joseph Arkley Adam Burton David Carr Brian Doherty Darrell D'Silva Noma Dumezweni Dyfan Dwyfor Phillip Edgerley Christine Entwisle Geoffrey Freshwater Mariah Gale Gruffudd Glyn Paul Hamilton Greg Hicks

James Howard Kelly Hunter Ansu Kabia Tunji Kasim

Richard Katz

Debbie Korley

John Mackay

Jonjo O'Neill

Dharmesh Patel

Peter Peverley

Patrick Romer

Sophie Russell

Christopher Saul

Simone Saunders

Clarence Smith

Katy Stephens

James Traherne

Sam Troughton

James Tucker

Larrington Walker

Kirsty Woodward

Samantha Young

Hannah Young

David Rubin

Oliver Ryan

Forbes Masson

Children Alfie Jones Sebastian Salisbury

Hampstead Theatre Season American Trade Silence Litte Eagles

Sheila Reid Ferdy Roberts Martin Turner Tracev Wilkinson Leon Williams Marjorie Yates

Dunsinane

George Brookbanks Brian Ferguson Tom Gill Kevin Guthrie Lewis Hart Lisa Hogg Joshua Jenkins Phil Mckee Alex Mann Jonny Phillips Mairi Morrison Siobhan Redmond



Projects Ahasverus The Bullet Mojo

The Price

The following actors joined the Long Ensemble for the Hampstead Theatre Season

Hannah Barrie Steven Cree Oliver Dimsdale William Edden (Child) David Fielder David Fynn Joe Forte Denise Gough



Marc Antolin Verity Bentham Bertie Carvel Matthew Clark Peter Howe Paul Kaye Michael Kent Melanie La Barrie Matthew Malthouse Katy Monk Rachel Moran Alastair Parker Leanne Pinder Nick Searle

Emily Shaw Lucy Thatcher Josie Walker Tim Walton Lauren Ward Gary Watson

Children Thomas Atkinson Jake Bailey James Beesley Ruby Bridle Oonagh Cox Cleo Demetriou



Gareth Aled Peter Bray Martin Hutson Fiona Lait Róbert Lučkay



The Taming

of the Shrew

Tom Berish

Hiran Abeysekera

Elizabeth Cadwallader

Raymond Coulthard Dona Croll Marty Cruickshank Laura Darrall Oliver Ford Davies Catherine Hamilton James Hayes Jim Hooper Diana Kent

Youssef Kerkour Joseph Kloska Catherine McCormack



Jemima Eaton Alicia Gould Zachary Harris Callum Henderson Fleur Houdijk Kerry Ingram Jamie Kaye William Keeler Sophia Kiely Lily Laight Katie Lee Alfie Manser Isobelle Molloy Jemima Morgan Toby Murray Annabel Parsons Lucy May Pollard Ellie Simons Jake Pratt Louis Suc Jaydon Vijn Ted Wilson

Eleanor Worthington Cox

Emma Manton James McArdle Flora Montgomery Ólafur Darri Ólafsson Iris Roberts Darwin Shaw Tim Treloar Michael Walter Marcello Walton Lawrence Werber Addis Williams

Children Heather Croghan-Miksch Isabelle Evans Bailey Fear Jack Firth Molly Pipe Tom Ransford

Adrian Lukis John Marquez David Rintoul Sam Swainsbury Laura Wells Terence Wilton

Annette McLaughlin Jodie McNee Ian Midlane Sarah Ovens Mark Quartley Daniel Stewart Simon Thorp

The Heresy of Love

Measure for Measure

Written on the Heart

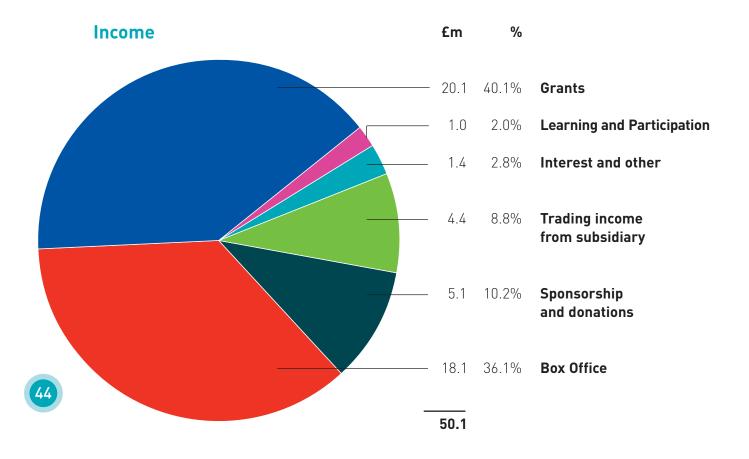
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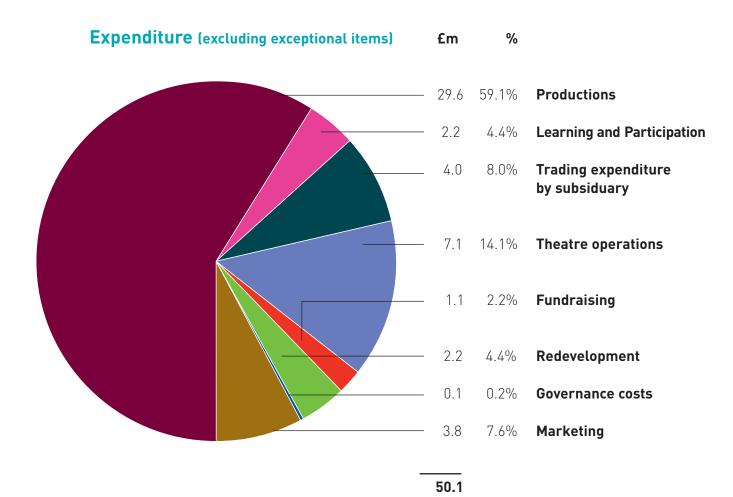
Song of Songs

Rebecca Brewer Liz Crowther Sam Marks Demi Oyediran Mark Quartley Joy Richardson



INCOME AND EXPENDITURE





FINANCIAL REVIEW

Summary

2011/12 was the first full year of operation since the successful reopening of the redeveloped Royal Shakespeare and Swan Theatres.

Operationally, the result for the year, excluding exceptional items of £2.7m, was a small surplus of £0.3m, with net earnings from the first five months of our highly successful production of *Matilda* in London (£1.2m) more than offsetting an overspend in our production workshops as a result of the combined impact of building the auditorium for our New York residency and the *Matilda* set for London in house.

However, the overall net outflow from the operating unrestricted fund in the year was £0.9m, because two significant movements in the company's defined benefit pension scheme produced a net cost of £1.3m. The beneficial impact of a move from RPI to CPI as the scheme's indexation basis (£2.7m) was more than offset by the increase in the scheme's FRS17 deficit, primarily as a result of lower interest (and therefore discount) rates (£4.0m).

Net expenditure on designated funds after transfers was £0.5m (of which £0.4m was depreciation), and net income on restricted funds after transfers was £0.5m (with residual net income to the Transformation Project outweighing depreciation of £1.8m).

As a result the net outflow across all funds for the year was £1.3m. This compared to a net inflow of £9.0m in the previous year (including a net inflow of £9.7m into final year of the Transformation Project).

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA)

Unrestricted operating fund

Overview

Excluding movements in the defined benefit pension scheme, the net operating result, excluding exceptional items, was a surplus of £0.3m, slightly better than planned – but this belies a more complicated underlying picture.

Our core operations came under some pressure. Development income was below plan because £0.4m of income anticipated from RSC America did not come through in sufficient time to be recognised in 2011/12, and our Enterprise businesses, particularly catering, missed their target by £0.2m as we learnt more about the dynamics of operating the redeveloped site. The most significant factor, however, was the combined impact of the complexities building the auditorium for the New York residency and the *Matilda* set for London in our production workshops which caused an overspend against plan of £1.0m.

The adverse impact of these factors (£1.6m) was offset by additional royalties from *Les Misérables* (£0.3m) and net earnings from *Matilda* in London of £1.2m (with the show's pre-production costs of £3m being amortised through until February 2013).

Income

Grants receivable of £17.3m was £2.0m higher than 2010/11 partly because it included £1.0m in additional revenue support subsidy carried forward from the Transformation Project, and partly because of additional touring activity in 2011/12.

Income from theatre operations at £17.9m was more than double that of 2010/11, reflecting the significant increase in capacity from 2010, following the reopening of the Royal Shakespeare and Swan Theatres.

Sponsorship and donation income at £2.9m was £0.8m higher than the previous year as focus moved away from capital fundraising, whilst the £2.9m increase in income from trading subsidiaries and the £0.5m increase in income from joint ventures again reflected the full year of activity.

The £0.6m increase in income from licensing of rights reflected additional royalties from *Les Misérables* (because of the show's 25th anniversary celebrations) and producers' royalties from *Matilda* in London.

Total net operating income was therefore £44.3m, up from £28.3m in 2010/11.

Expenditure

Expenditure on theatre operations at £37.0m was £10.5m higher than in 2010/11 because of the full year of activity, as was the £2.4m increase in spending on trading subsidiaries.

The cost of generating voluntary income was £0.3m higher than in 2010/11, in line with the higher income generated.

With net operating expenditure (excluding the pensions adjustment) at £43.9m the net operating result was therefore a surplus of £0.3m.

The net cost of the pension adjustments (£1.3m) combined with this surplus to give the overall net outflow from unrestricted funds of £1.0m

Unrestricted Designated funds

The net outflow from designated funds (after transfers) of £0.5m related to depreciation.

Restricted funds

Total income into restricted funds of £5.9m compared to £18.4m in 2010/11, reflecting the sharp reduction in fundraising for the Transformation Project.

Total restricted expenditure of £5.3m included residual project spending and depreciation of £1.7m, compared with £6.1m in 2010/11.

Balance Sheet

Net fixed assets increased by £0.5m in the year to £99.6m as fixed asset depreciation was more than offset by a transfer of £1.5m into listed investments.

Stock increased sharply in the year by £2.2m to £4.2m reflecting the unamortised origination costs for Matilda in London carried forward (£2.2m).

Debtors also increased sharply by £1.1m to £3.5m because of monies owed by touring venues, the Teaching Shakespeare Joint Venture and Cambridge Theatre in London, and an increase in hire equipment prepayments for the Cambridge Theatre and The Courtyard Theatre These were offset by a reduction in accrued income from Accenture and RSCA.

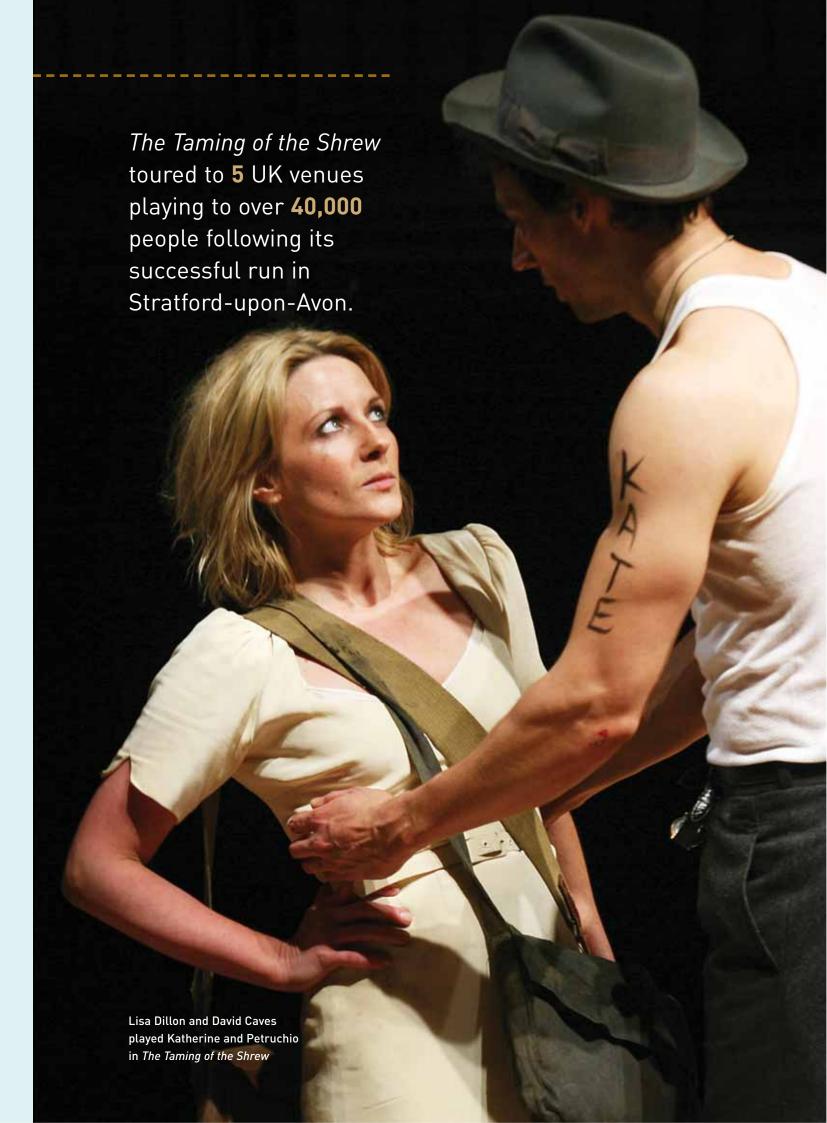
The £3.5m net reduction in cash to £2.4m is explained in broad terms by the net unrecovered investment in *Matilda* in London (£2.2m), the use of £1.0m in revenue support subsidy carried forward from the Transformation project and the £1.5m transfer from cash into investments, offset by income into restricted funds.

The £0.3m increase in short term creditors is largely explained by increased ticket advances, an increased VAT creditor, and an increase in accruals – all related to *Matilda* in London, offset by a reduction of £1.2m in deferred income as the £1.0m subsidy carried forward from the project was released in the year.

The movement on the endowment, restricted, designated and unrestricted funds has been set out in the notes on the SOFA. The only other significant change was the return of £1.7m from the *Matilda* in London designated fund to the Estates & General designated fund, from whence it came – given the reasonable expectation at 31 March 2012 that *Matilda* in London would have recouped its investment in May 2012, which proved to be the case post year end.

Andrew Parker

Director of Finance and Administration



Royal Shakespeare Company Waterside Stratford-upon-Avon Warwickshire CV37 6BB

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Basis of preparation of summary accounts

The summary accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified for the revaluation of certain investments and in accordance with the Charities Act, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice revised 2005, applicable UK Accounting Standards, and the Royal Charter of Incorporation on the basis of a going concern which assumes that sufficient funds will continue to be forthcoming from Arts Council England to enable the Royal Shakespeare Company to continue as a financially viable concern.

The full annual accounts were approved on 12 July 2012 and were delivered to the Charity Commission on 29 August 2012. The accounts have been audited by a qualified auditor, Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP, who gave an audit opinion which was unqualified.

The summarised accounts set out on pages 50 and 51 are the responsibility of the Board.

Nigel Hugill

RSC Chairman of the Board

14 September 2012

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' STATEMENT TO THE BOARD OF THE ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY

We have examined the summarised financial statements of The Royal Shakespeare Company for the year ended 31 March 2012 set out on pages 50 and 51.

Respective responsibilities of the trustees and the auditor

The trustees are responsible for preparing the summarised financial statements in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and the recommendations of the charities SORP.

Our responsibility is to report to you our opinion on the consistency of the summarised financial statements within the summarised Annual Report with the full annual financial statements and the Trustees' Annual Report.

We also read the other information contained in the summarised Annual Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the summarised financial statements. The other information comprises only the Financial Review and Chairman's Note

We conducted our work in accordance with Bulletin 2008/3 issued by the Auditing Practices Board.

In our opinion the summarised financial statements are consistent with the full annual financial statements and the Trustees' Annual Report of The Royal Shakespeare Company for the year ended 31 March 2012.

We have not considered the effects of any events between the date on which we signed our report on the full annual financial statements (13 July 2012) and the date of this statement.

Baker Tilly UK Audit LLP

Statutory Auditor St Philips Point Temple Row Birmingham B2 5AF

14 September 2012

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

for the year ended 31 March 2012	Operations/ unrestricted funds £'000	Unrestricted designated funds £'000	Restricted funds £'000	Endowment funds £'000	Total funds 2012 £'000	Total funds 2011 £'000
Incoming resources						
Incoming resources from charitable activities					45.000	15.070
Grants receivable Income from productions, tours	17,282	-	-	-	17,282	15,242
and theatre operations	17,864	-	196	-	18,060	8,260
Learning and participation income	489	-	500	-	989	1,060
Incoming resources from generated funds Voluntary income			2.007		2.007	15 /07
Grants receivable Income from sponsorship and donations	2,881		2,894 2,236		2,894 5,117	15,497 4,474
Activities for generating funds	2,001		2,200		0,117	4,474
Trading income from subsidiaries	4,382	-	-	-	4,382	1,457
Share of income from joint venture	1,192	-	-	-	1,192	647
Licensing of rights Investment income and interest receivable	1,038 333	-	- 49	-	1,038 382	434 292
Total incoming resources including joint venture	45,461		5,875		51,336	47,363
Less: Share of joint ventures' gross income	(1,192)	-	5,675	-	(1,192)	47,363 (647)
Total incoming resources	44,269		5,875		50,144	46,716
Resources expended						
Charitable activities						
Productions and theatre operation - Exceptional item: Pension past service costs	2,675	_	_	_	2,675	_
- Other productions and theatre operations	(37,001)	(887)	(2,576)	-	(40,464)	(28,143)
Learning and participation expenditure						
- Exceptional item: Pension past service costs	31	-	- (500)	-	31	- (0.455)
- Other learning and participation expenditure Redevelopment costs	(1,662)	-	(508) (2,249)	-	(2,170) (2,249)	(2,177) (4,472)
The development costs			(2,247)		(=,==7)	(4,472)
Costs of generating funds						
Costs of generating voluntary income	,				,	
- Exceptional item: Pension past service costs Other costs of generating voluntary income	6 (1,071)	-	-	-	6 (1,071)	(730)
Trading expenditure of subsidiaries	(4,046)	-	-	-	(4,046)	(1,687)
Governance costs	(116)	_	_	_	(116)	(129)
Total resources expended	(41,184)	(887)	(5,333)		(47,404)	(37,338)
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources						
before joint venture	3,085	(887)	542	-	2,740	9,378
Share of net profit /(loss) in joint venture	100	-	-	-	100	(41)
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before	0.105	(007)				0.007
other recognised gains, losses and transfers Transfers between funds	3,185 (112)	(887) 340	542 (228)		2,840	9,337
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains and losses	3,073	(547)	314	-	2,840	9,337
Other recognised gains/(losses)	20		((2)	(110)	(122)	70
Gains/(losses) on investment assets Actuarial (losses) on defined benefit	29	-	(42)	(110)	(123)	73
pension scheme	(4,035)			-	(4,035)	(437)
Net movement in funds	(933)	(547)	272	(110)	(1,318)	8,973
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	6,384	9,136	82,272	4,567	102,359	93,386
Total funds carried forward	5,451	8,589	82,544	4,457	101,041	102,359

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET OF THE CORPORATION

at 31 March 2012				
		2012		2011
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fixed assets Tangible fixed assets		87,355		88,400
Intangible fixed assets		44		58
Listed investments		9,188		7,720
Investment in joint venture - Share of assets	3,380		3,392	
- Share of liabilities	(321)		(433)	
		3,059		2,959
		99,646		99,137
Current assets		ŕ		
Stock and work in progress	4,256		2,027	
Debtors Investments	3,508 1,622		2,446 1,914	
Cash at bank and in hand	2,368		5,893	
	11,754		12,280	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(10,214)		(9,865)	
within one year	(10,214)		(7,003)	
Net current assets		1,540		2,415
Total assets less current liabilities				
representing net assets excluding				
pension (liability)/asset		101,186		101,552
Defined benefit pension scheme (liability)/asset		(145)		807
Net assets including pension (liability)/asset		101,041		102,359
Endowment funds		4,457		4,567
Restricted funds		82,544		82,272
Unrestricted funds				
General operating fund	5,596		5,577	
Defined benefit pension scheme (deficit)/surplus	(145)		807	
Designated funds	8,589		9,136	
Total unrestricted funds		14,040		15,520
Total funds		101,041		102,359

These accounts were approved by the Board on 12 July 2012, authorised for issue and signed on its behalf by:

Nigel Hugill John Hornby



THANK YOU

The RSC is one of the most respected and successful international theatre companies in the world. We are only able to maintain the quality and breadth of our work with the support recognised on these pages. After ticket sales and financial support from Arts Council England, our most significant source of income is sponsorship, grants and donations. Our corporate and trust partners and all our individual donors have funded our artistic output, the training of artists and teachers, the commissioning of new work, our events and exhibitions programme and, through our education programme, introduced young people throughout the world to the work of Shakespeare and live theatre.

We would like to thank everyone who has donated to the RSC including those donors who wish to remain anonymous.

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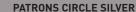
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