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Twelfth Night

by

William Shakespeare

Directed by Scott Shattuck

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Costumes by Angela Bacarisce & Cydney Tucker
Lighting by CC Conn & Luke Hayward
Sound by CC Conn
Makeup by Kendall Thompson
Original Music by Aden Kent Ramsey
Video Designer: Tommy Cockerell

Stage Manager: Randy Hill
Assistant Director: Jason Grigsby
Dramaturg: Natalia Gutierrez-Borja *
Vocal Coach: Kyle Kennedy

November 17-21, 2009
**About the Play**

*Twelfth Night* is several stories folded into one.... The thematic thread that holds these stories together is love. In fact, *Twelfth Night* is a kind of dictionary of love. Duke Orsino does his wooing by remote control. He sends messengers while staying home inside his melancholy, self-absorbed romantic pose. Olivia's love for "Cesario" comes like a thunderbolt as the brash young "man" jolts her out of a grief that is almost spent. Viola's love for Orsino is more closely allied to friendship (she sympathizes with a man loving where there is no hope) and to the medieval ideas of duty and service. Because of her disguise, Viola can get to know her man without having to worry about the gulf that usually separates men and women who are courting.

Sir Toby and Maria's love is of a more practical, earthy kind. Their tastes are "low" compared to the rarefied passions of their "betters," running toward off-color jokes, imaginative pranks, and partying. The theme of love also involves Olivia's other suitors: Malvolio, whom Olivia says is "sick of self-love," and Sir Andrew Aguecheek, who is milked of his money by his cunning drinking companion, Sir Toby. There is love between men: Orsino and "Cesario"; Antonio and Viola's brother Sebastian. And there is love between brother and sister: Olivia and her dead brother, Viola and Sebastian.

As in Shakespeare's other romantic comedies, when people lose their sense of direction, forget who they are, and start doing stupid things, love may be scary and painful, but it is good for them. Where seriousness and reason fail, craziness succeeds. By losing themselves ("drowning," being alone in a foreign country, putting on a disguise), people find themselves. They also rediscover others: lost friends and relatives, new friends, lovers....

There can never be a definitive production of *Twelfth Night*; no one performance can exhaust all the play's possibilities. Demanding complete faithfulness to one of Shakespeare's scripts is like demanding total fidelity in a performance of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. Every conductor has his own Ninth, and we like it that way. Shakespeare has a perplexing and wonderful way of writing characters and scenes that can be played well in many different ways. He doesn't provide answers (which would be dull on the stage, anyway); he raises questions. He trusts his collaborators to bring their own understanding and experience to his story. He invites them to *play* with his play.

Excerpted from "Twelfth Night" by Jack Jorgens
*In The Shakespeare Hour*, edited by Edward Quinn
About the Cast

Waldron A. Archer (Malvolio), a junior from Austin, has appeared in “Master Harold”... and the boys, The Elephant Man, Big River, Wine in the Wilderness, Cornbury: The Queen’s Governor and The Gas Heart. Waldron was in the Original Cast from 2007 to 2009, and is the current vice president of Alpha Psi Omega.

Chris Bookman (Sebastian), a freshman, appeared in Our Town, Urinetown and Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat at Rains High School. He was also in On Golden Pond at the Mineola Playhouse and The Best Christmas Pageant Ever at Cotton Pickin’ Theatre.

Garrett Cross (Sea Captain), a senior from Texas High School in Texarkana, has appeared in the SFA productions of The Heidi Chronicles, This Day Forward, Line. The Rising of the Moon, Flop Cop and The Catechism of Patty Reed.

Katie Edwards (Lady) is an American Theatre Arts student from Surrey, England. She has made previous appearances in All Men Are Whores, The Children’s Hour and A Doll’s House. Katie has also directed a production of Arthur Miller’s Death of a Salesman.

Daniel Gambill (Curio), has appeared in The Elephant Man, Driving Miss Daisy, Crimes of the Heart, This Day Forward, As You Like It, Perchance and Time Flies. Daniel has directed Wine in the Wilderness, Once Upon a Playground and The Mystery at Twicknam Vicarage.

Stevie Ray Gonzalez (Gentleman/Officer) is a freshman from Ferris. While at Ferris High School, Stevie performed in The Transylvanian Clockworks, Artesia, The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940, The Beggar’s Opera and Love’s Labours Wonne.

Galen Graham (Officer/Sailor), a freshman, has appeared in numerous productions at Kerrville Community Theater and Point Theater in Ingram, including Treasure Island, You Can’t Take It With You, Willy Wonka Jr., Tartuffe, 1776 and All in the Timing.

Caroline Harrell (Maria), a junior from Athens, has appeared in Schoolhouse Rock Live! Too, The Heidi Chronicles, Big River, Take Five, The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie and The Bald Soprano. Caroline was also a 2008-2009 member of the Original Cast.
About the Cast (cont.)

David Hathway (Antonio), a senior from El Campo, has performed in Schoolhouse Rock Live! Too, The Elephant Man, Big River, Picnic and Lend Me a Tenor. He was also a member of the Original Cast from 2007 to 2009, and this year will be working as a choreographer for the OC. This November, David will direct an Upstage titled Degas C’est Moi.

Jt Hearn (Fabian) is a sophomore from Rains High School in Emory. He has made appearances in the Summer Rep productions of “Master Harold”...and the boys and Schoolhouse Rock Live! Too, and in the Mainstage productions of The Heidi Chronicles and Big River.

Sumarliid V. Ingimarsson (Valentine) is an American Theatre Arts student from Rose Bruford College. While there, he appeared in Cabaret, My Fair Lady and The Author’s Voice. He has also appeared in a production of Hippolytus.

Lamar Jefferson (Sailor/Officer) is a sophomore from Lancaster High School. He has appeared in productions of Wine in the Wilderness and Defacing Michael Jackson at SFA. Lamar is also a 2009-2010 member of the Original Cast.

Maria Johnson (Olivia’s Servant) is an American Theatre Arts student from Rose Bruford College, where she appeared in The Crucible and Machinal. She also acted in The Trojan Women, Betrayal and Road at the Cockpit Thetre.

Benn May (Priest/Sailor), a freshman from Commerce High School, was a three-year attendee of SFA’s High School Theatre Workshop. Earlier this semester he appeared in the Studio Hour Fugue, and he was on the crew for Woyzeck.

Robert R. Meza (Sir Andrew Aguecheek) is a junior from Cypress who has appeared in Picnic, The Elephant Man, Big River, Cornbury: The Queen’s Governor, As You Like It, The Gas Heart and The Bald Soprano. Robert was also a member of the Original Cast from 2007 to 2009.

Kory Pullam (Feste) is a sophomore from Corpus Christi. While at SFA, he has appeared in “Master Harold”...and the boys, The Heidi Chronicles, Big River and Wine in the Wilderness. At Foy H. Moody High School, Kory appeared in Boys Next Door and Cutfish Moon.

Caroline Smith (Olivia) is a senior from Austin who has performed in The Elephant Man, The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie and The Red Key. At Westwood High School, Caroline appeared in Naomi in the Living Room and Crimes of the Heart.
About the Cast (cont.)

Samantha Walker (Viola) is a sophomore from Houston. While at SFA, she has appeared in Picnic, The Elephant Man and Shakespeare and Mushrooms. Samantha was also the properties master for “Master Harold”... and the boys during 2009 Summer Rep.

Blake A. Weir (Orsino) is a junior from Sugar Land. He has appeared in the SFA productions of The Weir, Defacing Michael Jackson, 27 Wagons Full of Cotton and The Death of Bessie Smith. He has also assistant directed Once Upon a Playground.

David Andrew Whitaker (Sir Toby Belch) is an ATA student from Rose Bruford College. He has extensive acting credits (including a production of Pygmalion directed by Sir Peter Hall), has directed several productions, has written a musical and several one-act plays, and is a published poet.

Jade Willis (Lady) is an ATA student from Rose Bruford College, where she worked on productions of Slaughter City and Sexual Perversity in Chicago. She has also taken part in various dance performances and has directed a scene from Cat on a Hot Tin Roof.

About the Artistic Staff

Angela Bacaris (Costume Designer) has designed over 200 productions in academic and professional theatres across the country, most recently as hair and makeup designer for SFA’s Wayzeck. Her most recent SFA costume designs include The Heidi Chronicles, The Elephant Man and Big River.

Barbara Blackwell (Costume Shop Supervisor) is in her tenth year as costume shop supervisor. She has also designed or co-designed costumes for “Master Harold”... and the boys, Tribute, The Member of the Wedding, and Trudi and the Minstrel.

Tabitha Cahanin (Assistant Stage Manager) is a senior from Lumberton. At SFA she has directed The Battle of Bull Run Always Makes Me Cry, stage managed The Mystery at Twicknam Vicarage, and acted in Picnic. She was also wardrobe master for Schoolhouse Rock Live! Too.

Tommy Cockerell (Video Designer) is a senior cinematography major from Jacksonville. He has worked on the SFA films “Mirror, Mirror,” “Sarah’s Book” and “All Good Years,” and was director of photography for the vignettes “Sleeper Agent” and “Unknown Wonders.”
The Cast

Orsino, Duke of Illyria ........................................ Blake A. Weir
Curio, a gentleman attending Duke Orsino .................. Daniel Gambill
Another gentleman ............................................ Stevie Ray Gonzales
Valentine, another gentleman .............................. Sumarlidi V. Ingimarsson
Viola, a shipwrecked lady, later disguised as Cesario ...... Samantha Walker
Captain of the wrecked ship ................................. Garrett Cross
Sailors .............................................................. Galen Graham
                                            Lamar Jefferson
                                            Benn May
Sir Toby Belch, Countess Olivia’s uncle .... David Andrew Whitaker
Maria, Olivia’s waiting gentlewoman ....................... Caroline Harrell *
Fabian, a member of Olivia’s household ..................... Jt Hearn
Sir Andrew Aguecheek ..................................... Robert R. Meza *
Feste, a clown .................................................. Kory Pullam
Olivia, a countess ............................................ Caroline Smith
Malvolio, Olivia’s steward ................................ Waldron A. Archer *
Servant to Olivia ............................................. Maria Johnson
Ladies attending Olivia ...................................... Katie Edwards
                                            Jade Willis
Sebastian, Viola’s twin brother ............................. Chris Bookman
Antonio, another seafarer .................................. David Hathway *
Officer in Duke Orsino’s service ......................... Lamar Jefferson
Second officer ............................................... Galen Graham
Another officer ............................................... Stevie Ray Gonzales
Priest .............................................................. Benn May

* Designates membership in the Beta Phi cast
  of Alpha Psi Omega,
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The action takes place in and near Illyria, an imaginary country by the sea.

Act I, scene 1: Before Duke Orsino’s palace
Act I, scene 2: The seacoast
Act I, scene 3: Countess Olivia’s house
Act I, scene 4: Orsino’s palace
Act I, scene 5: Olivia’s house
Act II, scene 1: A seacoast near Illyria
Act II, scene 2: A street
Act II, scene 3: Olivia’s garden
Act II, scene 4: Before Orsino’s palace
Act II, scene 5: Olivia’s garden
Act III, scene 1: An orchard before Olivia’s house

Intermission

Act III, scene 2: Olivia’s garden
Act III, scene 3: A street
Act III, scene 4: The orchard
Act IV, scene 1: Before Olivia’s house
Act IV, scene 2: Within Olivia’s house
Act IV, scene 3: Olivia’s garden
About the Artistic Staff (cont.)

CC Conn (Lighting and Sound Designer) holds an MFA from Indiana University. Her most recent designs include sound for Woyzeck and Big River, and lighting and sound for “Master Harold”... and the boys, Schoolhouse Rock Live! Too, Picnic and The Heidi Chronicles.

Kayla Gaiennie (Assistant Stage Manager), a freshman from Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts, has stage managed Lucky Stiff, The Gemini, The Old Cookie Shop, The Madwoman of Chaillot and Spring Awakening.

Dana Gloege (Scene Designer) holds a BFA from Texas Tech and an MFA from Brandeis. He comes to SFA from the Dallas area, where he worked in commercial design: along the way he has designed hotel and restaurant interiors, juvenile furniture, television and commercial sets, personal media rooms, and, of course, stage productions.

Jason Grisby (Assistant Director) has appeared in The Elephant Man, Big River and The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie. He also has been lighting designer, assistant designer, and/or master electrician for Schoolhouse Rock Live! Too, Picnic, Wine in the Wilderness and Animal Keepers.

Natalia Gutierrez-Borja (Dramaturg) has appeared in Big River, Crimes of the Heart and 10,000 Cigarettes, and is a member of the Original Cast. She also directed Flop Cop, designed sound for Defacing Michael Jackson and designed lights for The Rising of the Moon.

Aaron Hanna (Assistant Sound Designer) is a junior from Tyler. He has worked as sound designer, assistant designer, engineer, or board operator for such productions as Schoolhouse Rock Live! Too, The Elephant Man, Big River, The Weir and the 2008-09 Original Cast.

TD Harris (Assistant Makeup Designer) is a senior from Shreveport, LA. Her SFA credits include directing Getting Away with Murder, stage managing The Death of Bessie Smith and The Intelligent Design of Jenny Chow, and crewing for The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie and Purgatorio.

Luke Haywood (Lighting Designer), an exchange student from Rose Bruforder College, was the assistant lighting designer for Woyzeck at SFA. He has also designed lights for productions of Bright Unconquered Sons, Love in Transit and La Fedelta Premiata.

Randy Hill (Stage Manager) is a senior from New Braunfels who has stage managed Gray Matter and The Weir and assistant stage managed The Elephant Man and Big River. He was also the resident stage manager at Opera in the Ozarks for Pagliacci, Hansel and Gretel and Manon.
About the Artistic Staff (cont.)

Kyle Kennedy (Vocal Coach) has directed Brighton Beach Memoirs, Take Five and Six Degrees of Separation and acted in Lend Me a Tenor and The Tempest at SFA. A member of the Screen Actors Guild and an eligible player member of Actors Equity Association, he has acted professionally most recently at Cortland (NY) Repertory Theatre.

Mark Porter (Technical Director) is completing his third year as technical director. He came to SFA in early 2007 from the Austin Theatre Alliance. He was technical director at St. Edward’s University and at the Coconut Grove Playhouse. He has worked in television and film, on Broadway, and extensively Off-Broadway.

Aden Kent Ramsey (Composer), a senior music major, has composed music for the SFA films “All Good Years,” “Skipping Tomorrow” and Within Us,” and for Twelfth Night at the Texas Shakespeare Festival, “Master Harold”... and the boys and The Piano Lesson at SFA, and The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 at Tyler Junior College.

Michelle Rolfe (Assistant Stage Manager) is an exchange student from Rose Bruford College, where she was production manager for Moonflower and Love in Transit. She has also stage managed Wine in the Wilderness at SFA and Serious Money at Greenwich Theatre in London.

Scott Shattuck (Director) is director of the School of Theatre. For SFA, he has directed Big River, Crimes of the Heart, This Day Forward and Cornbury: The Queen’s Governor. He has held leadership positions at Marymount College of Fordham University, the London Dramatic Academy, Jean Cocteau Repertory and Dickinson College. He has also directed for the Texas Shakespeare Festival and Arkansas Repertory Theatre. He holds an MFA degree in Directing from The University of Texas at Austin. He hails originally from Denver.

Kendall Thompson (Makeup Designer), a junior from Baytown, has worked on a number of SFA productions, including Woyzeck, The Heidi Chronicles and Big River; she was props coordinator for Summer Rep 2009. She also has extensive experience in the pageant industry.

Cydney Tucker (Costume Designer) is a grad student in cinematography. She was production/costume designer for the SFA feature films “American Goldfish” and “Within Us” and the short film “Septem Nefas.” She was associate costumer designer for the SFA Opera The Bartered Bride, and worked in the costume shop at Texas Shakespeare Festival in 2008-09.
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