



Originally produced by Reduced Shakespeare Company

## Cast

Red Sneakers	Karen Bernique
Black Sneakers	Lara Klymko
Green Sneakers	Kristy Tait-Angel

### Mise-en-Scene

Present day

## **Director's Notes**

My relationship with Shakespeare began like many others, in high school English class. First, I read *Romeo and Juliet* and thought to myself, 'Ok?'. Then came *Macbeth*, and I realized Shakespeare could be dark and sinister. "Yeah...I guess. Sure," I thought. But it wasn't until I read *King Lear* that everything finally clicked. For the first time, I didn't need someone to explain the meaning or wrestle with the meter. This was just a story of grief and tragedy laid bare and I loved it. This was brilliant and raw and heartrending and beautiful.

This show is... not that.

Don't get me wrong. If you're the kind of person who can recite soliloquies at will and correct your friends on the proper pronunciation of "wherefore," you'll absolutely enjoy this show. It's sharp, self-aware, and packed with tongue-in-cheek jabs at Shakespeare's brilliance. But if your connection to the Bard starts and stops with whatever your high school teacher made you read—or a passing knowledge of "the one with Leo"—then don't worry. This show is also for you.

This show is ridiculous, messy, and unapologetically fun. It's a love letter to the absurdity of Shakespeare's legacy, a celebration of storytelling through chaos, and a reminder that sometimes, it's okay to not take "great literature" too seriously. It might even (accidentally) teach you a little about all of Shakespeare's plays, but only if you're paying attention between the laughs. Know a child bursting with creativity and a flair for the dramatic? Then Perth Youth Players (PYP) is the perfect place for them!

At PYP, kids aged 10–17 step into the spotlight and explore the exciting world of theatre. Under the guidance of a variety of experts, they'll master acting techniques, delve into tech roles, engage in fun theatre games, and discover the secrets to standout auditions.



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Chris Angel

#### Karen Bernique (Red Sneakers)

Karen entered Perth's theatre community some 20+ years ago after seeing this very show in this very theatre. Karen has appeared in many productions over the last 20 years, but this one just might be the pinnacle of her theatre endeavors.

#### Lara Klymko (Black Sneakers)

"Hey y'all. Lara's been onstage a fair few times this year or so, with PCC, Orion Theatre, and Studio Theatre: A Christmas Carol (Marley), Perils of Persephone (Skip), JCS (Simon), etc.

She gratefully acknowledges the talents and efforts of the entire production team! Enjoy this bonkers play!"

#### Kristy Tait-Angel (Green Sneakers)

Kristy has been in love with all things Shakespeare since reading Macbeth in grade 9 and memorizing a soliloquy for extra credit. This continued to encompass her high school and University Education, where she took every Shakespeare course offered at the University of Toronto. Since first seeing *The Complete Works* more than twenty years ago, it has been at the top of her performance bucket list. Kristy is thrilled to be returning to the studio theatre stage, where she last appeared as Anabella Schmidt in *The 39 Steps*.

#### Dave Corbishley (Tech Lead)

Dave first stumbled into community theatre in 2008, and has been addicted ever since. He has since worked on dozens of shows, onstage and off, as well as working as Lighting and Stage Crew Principle for the Centrepointe Theatre Volunteer Committee. Having moved to Perth in 2001, he has been working with various companies in the Ottawa Valley, and was thrilled when Chris asked him to be part of his team of talented, amazing people. Enjoy the show!

## **Production Team**

Producers	Dave Bird, Marilyn Bird
Director	Chris Angel
Stage Manager	Jacqueline Ramsey
Asst. Stage Manager	Cathie Garvin
Set Design	Chris Angel
Set Build Coordinator	Reiner Silberhorn
Head Builder	John Hodges
Set Construction	Geoff Mason,
	Jeff Colver, Mike Erion, Ross
	Dickson, Alan Humphreys
Set Painting	Fiona Bladon, Alan Humphries,
	Karen Mortfield,
Shakespeare Painting	Dani Corbishley
Football Choreography	Dani and Dave Corbishley
Additional Stage	
Choreography	David Jacklin
Props	Kristy Tait-Angel
Costumes	Marilyn Bird
Lighting, Sound	Dave Corbishley, Danna Jones
Follow Spot Operator	Dave Shaw
Publicity	Kat Watring Ellis
Photographer	JD Labelle
Poster	Kristy Tait-Angel
Program	Penny Silberhorn
Front of House	Liz Theobald & Team
Box Office Manager	Annemarie Polis and Team

# The Director/Set Designer

### **Chris Angel**

Chris has been part of the Perth theatre community for over 15 years, starting out with Barndoor Productions before finding his way to other local groups like the Perth Community Choir, Orion, and Studio Theatre. Along the way, he's had the chance to play some incredible roles, including Billy in *Anything Goes*, Nick in *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf*, and the delightfully awful Mr. Wormwood in *Matilda*.

Although he's stepped into the director's chair before, *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)* is his first time directing a non-musical—and a comedy, no less! Chris couldn't be prouder of this hilarious show or the talented cast and crew who brought it to life.

# The Producer

### Dave Bird

This entertaining and "educating" show sees the return of a very talented cast, Director and crew, some of whom are welcomed back to our stage for the first time in years. I thank them for their patience as I worked for the first time as Producer rather than alongside them as a performer.

I also thank my wife, Marilyn, for double duty as Co Producer while also being responsible for costumes.

None of your experience is possible without so many people giving their time and energy as volunteers literally and figuratively at every level of the Theatre.

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### The Complete Works of William Shakespeare

### (Abridged) (Revised) (Again)

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