



Dear Friend of the Colorado Shakespeare Festival,

**Thank you. And thank you again.** Your commitment to live theatre made possible this summer's joyous return to full capacity performances.

The coming season promises more to look forward to, including renovations to our indoor theatre to upgrade its acoustics and climate control system. Formerly known as the University Theatre, it will reopen for CSF 2023 as the **Roe Green Theatre**. In 2024 the **Mary Rippon Outdoor Theatre** and the **Hellems Building** will be closed for extensive renovation, making 2023 our last chance to enjoy the venue in its current configuration.

In the meantime, summer 2023's lineup is packed with stellar shows you won't want to miss. Outdoors boasts top tier titles: perennial favorite *Much Ado About Nothing* opens in June, followed by a thrilling *King Lear* in July. We'll open indoors with a magical *The Winter's Tale* followed by Richard Bean's hilarious comedy *One Man, Two Guvnors*. This year's Original Practice performance is the blockbuster *The Comedy of Errors*, for one night only.

Now's the time to renew! Season tickets go on sale Monday, Oct. 31. Purchasing season tickets unlocks great benefits including up to 30 percent savings and free exchanges. Order now to get the best seats in the house; single tickets go on sale Nov. 29. We have four season ticket options to fit every schedule and budget:

- **Full Season Ticket:** All four main plays. No date restrictions. 20% discount.
- **Pick Two** or **Pick Three:** Any two or three plays. No date restrictions. 15% discount.
- **The Weekday Will:** All four main plays. Any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. 30% discount.
- **Choice 4+** or **Choice 6+:** Selections from across most year-round CU Presents performances. 15% or 20% discount.

Do you have credit on account with us from last season or this summer? Call us at 303-492-8008 to apply it to your purchase.

Season tickets are available at [coloradoshakes.org](https://coloradoshakes.org). The CU Presents Box Office staff is happy to assist you from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 303-492-8008. Or, email us at [cupresents@colorado.edu](mailto:cupresents@colorado.edu).

I'll see you at the theatre!

Tim Orr  
Producing Artistic Director

*See the other side of this letter for details about our 2023 plays and season ticket options!*

# Colorado Shakespeare Festival 2023

See the enclosed rack card for performance dates.

## Much Ado About Nothing

Mary Rippon Outdoor Theatre

Beatrice and Benedick love to bicker. The only thing they might learn to love more? Each other. (They just don't know it yet!) In this rollicking lampoon of relationships, romance, and the influence of town gossip, Shakespeare delivers a near-perfect enemies-to-lovers romantic comedy.

## The Winter's Tale

Roe Green Theatre (Indoors)

When King Leontes inexplicably accuses his pregnant wife of infidelity he makes a cruel, rash decision that he must spend two decades atoning for. Shakespeare's nuanced epic explores both the heartrending corrosion of jealousy and the joyous redemption of forgiveness that is hard-won. Borrowing elements from fantasy and mythology, *The Winter's Tale* weaves an audacious tapestry you have to experience to believe.

## King Lear

Mary Rippon Outdoor Theatre

An aging King Lear decides to divide his kingdom among his three daughters, proportionally by who professes to love him most. His plotting comes to catastrophe and sees him cast from his own kingdom. Shakespeare's tumultuous tragedy explores speaking truth to power, the cost of grievous mistakes, and whether it's ever too late for redemption. *This production contains adult themes and effects, including simulated graphic violence.*

## One Man, Two Guvnors

by Richard Bean

Roe Green Theatre (Indoors)

Brighton, England. The swinging 60s. Hilarity and hijinks ensue when Francis Henshall, fired from a skiffle band and in search of new work, finds himself employed by a woman (posing as her mobster brother) and by her boyfriend (who is hiding from that brother). How long can Francis keep them apart? Featuring live music and uproarious fun, Richard Bean's adaptation of *The Servant of Two Masters* delivers a fresh spin on a farcical commedia classic.

## The Comedy of Errors

Original Practices

Mary Rippon Outdoor Theatre

A man and his servant set off on an adventure to find each of their long-lost identical twins. A side-splitting farce that features some of Shakespeare's most delightful tropes, *The Comedy of Errors* is performed here in a can't-miss, one-night-only Original Practices special event.

## Get the best seats at the best price!

Order your season tickets today in just four easy steps:

### ① Pick your plays and dates.

### ② Pick your season ticket.

You'll have a head start on our best deals and the best seat selection for the 2023 season. For prices, visit [coloradoshakes.org](http://coloradoshakes.org).

**FULL SEASON TICKET** Four main plays: 20% discount, plus 25% off additional single tickets\*

**PICK TWO or PICK THREE** A 15% discount to any performance of two or three main plays

**WEEKDAY WILL** Four main plays: 30% discount to Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday performances

**CHOICE 4 or 6+** Most CU Presents: Up to 20% off CSF, Artist Series, and more

**ADD-ONS** Add extra single tickets to your order, including our Original Practices performance of *The Comedy of Errors*

\*excludes *The Comedy of Errors*

### ③ Place your order.

Order by phone at 303-492-8008

Order online at [coloradoshakes.org](http://coloradoshakes.org)

Order in person at the **CU Presents Box Office**

University Club, 972 Broadway

Hours: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

### ④ Make a gift.

Please consider making a contribution to support CSF. Add your gift to your online or phone order, or give separately at [coloradoshakes.org/giving](http://coloradoshakes.org/giving).

### QUESTIONS?

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Summer 2023



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Much Ado About Nothing

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*by Richard Bean*

The Comedy of Errors

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
11 <b>June</b> Much Ado 7:30 pm (Preview)	12	13 Much Ado 7:30 pm (Opening)	14	15	16	17 Much Ado 7:30 pm
18 Much Ado 7:30 pm	19	20	21	22	23	24 Winter 7 pm (Preview) Much Ado 7:30 pm
25 Winter 7 pm (Opening) Much Ado 7:30 pm	26	27	28	29 Much Ado 7:30 pm	30 Winter 7 pm Much Ado 7:30 pm	1 <b>July</b> Winter 7 pm
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Winter 7 pm Lear 7:30 pm (Preview)
9 Winter 7 pm Lear 7:30 pm (Opening)	10	11	12 Much Ado 7:30 pm	13 Lear 7:30 pm	14 Lear 7:30 pm	15 Winter 7 pm Much Ado 7:30 pm
16 Winter 2 pm Lear 7:30 pm	17	18	19 Much Ado 7:30 pm	20 Lear 7:30 pm	21 Lear 7:30 pm	22 Two Guvs 7 pm (Preview) Much Ado 7:30 pm
23 Two Guvs 7 pm (Opening) Much Ado 7:30 pm	24	25	26 Winter 7 pm Lear 7:30 pm	27 Winter 7 pm Much Ado 7:30 pm	28 Two Guvs 7 pm Much Ado 7:30 pm	29 Two Guvs 2 pm 7 pm Lear 7:30 pm
30 Winter 2 pm Much Ado 7:30 pm	31	1 <b>Aug</b>	2 Two Guvs 7 pm Much Ado 7:30 pm	3 Two Guvs 7 pm Much Ado 7:30 pm	4 Winter 7 pm Lear 7:30 pm	5 Winter 7 pm Lear 7:30 pm
6 Two Guvs 2 pm Comedy 6:30 pm	7	8	9 Two Guvs 7 pm Lear 7:30 pm	10 Two Guvs 7 pm Much Ado 7:30 pm	11 Winter 7 pm Lear 7:30 pm	12 Winter 2 pm 7 pm (Closing) Lear 7:30 pm (Closing)
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Find your next performance at [cupresents.org](http://cupresents.org). Events subject to change.