### THE NATIONAL THEATRE SCHOOL OF CANADA PRESENTS ASYOULIKE IT

May 2 to 5, 2023

Pauline-McGibbon Studio at the Saint-Denis Campus



#### WRITTEN BY William Shakespeare

#### ADAPTED BY Danielle Irvine

#### DIRECTED BY Haysam Kadri



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# DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Welcome to As You Like It, featuring the second year students of the National Theatre School of Canada. This has been an incredible journey, and I am grateful to have been a part of it.

Set in a world of banished dukes and wanderers, lovers, and fools, Shakespeare's writing invites us into a land of endless possibilities. With its rich imagery and poetic language, the play has allowed us to delve into the depths of its characters, creating hope and laughter in their path to self-discovery.

Working on Shakespeare can be a deeply transformative experience for students. It requires a high level of skill, collaboration, and dedication, challenging them to explore the limits of what is possible as actors, designers, and as human beings. By engaging with Shakespeare's work, the hope is that students develop a lifelong appreciation for the power Shakespeare's world and a deep sense of connection to a rich genre of theatre that serves as a foundation for their training and ultimately for their careers as artists.

I would like to express my gratitude to Quincy Armourer, Danielle Irvine, Alisa Palmer for inviting me on this journey, the entire cast and crew, and the amazing staff of instructors for their hard work and dedication to this program. It has been an honour to work with them, and I feel privileged to have been a part of bringing this presentation to life. We hope you enjoy our efforts.



- Haysam Kadri

### CAST PROFESSIONAL

**Quincy Armorer** Touchstone / First Lord [understudy]

#### **Olaoluwa Fayokun**<sup>A2</sup>

(Winnipeg, MB) (Treaty 1 Territory) Orlando

#### Jessica Bowmer<sup>A2</sup>

(Kitchener, ON) (Traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishinaabeg and Haudenosaunee Peoples) Adam / Silvia / Forester

### STUDENTS

<sup>A2</sup> سرحان Mirza (Riyadh, Saudi Arabia / Chikmagalur, India) Oliver / Corin

**Beatrix Belizaire**<sup>A2</sup> (Port-au-Prince, Haiti) La Belle / Amiens / Jaques de Boys Fatima Lopez A2 (Buenos Aires, Argentina) Celia

Juliette Diodati<sup>A2</sup> (Montreal, QC) (Tiohtià:ke, unceded Kanien'kehá:ka territory) Rosalind

Nora Barker A2 (Grand Falls-Windsor, NL) (Ktaqmkuk, traditional territory of the Sple'tk) Touchstone / First Lord / Forester

#### Ari Zaya <sup>A2</sup> (Montreal, QC) (Tiohtià:ke, unceded Kanien'kehá:ka territory) Jaques

### CAST STUDENTS

Seeara Lindsay A2
(Pickering, ON)
(Traditional territory of the Mississaugas of
Scugog Island First Nation and Williams
Treaties signatories of the Mississauga and
Chippewa Nation)
Duke Frederick / Phebe / Forester

Dylan Hawco <sup>A2</sup> (Cambridge, ON) (Haldimand Treaty, Six Nations of the Grand River) Duke Senior / Charles

Alex Joyce PT1 Forester [understudy]

# CREATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL

Set Designer **Claire Macaulay** (Set and Costume Design, 2022)

### STUDENTS

**Costume Designer Production Manager & Technical Director Costume Crew** Pen Tsin SCD2 Alex Sinclair PT2 Clémence Archambault SC1 Lola Cordreaux SC1 Émile Dumoulin SC1 Lighting Designer & Head Electrician Assistant Technical Director & Assistant Stage Matthew Lawler PT2 Hailee Jake Friesen SC1 Manager Alex Joyce PT1 Augusta Lutynski SC1 Sound Designer and Stage Manager Nikki Mabias SC1 Lia Wright PT2 Clara Pinto SC1

# COACHES

#### Production **Crystal Laffoley**

Movement **Rebecca Harper** 

Voice Lauren Maykut

#### **Fight Director Anita Nittoly**

Costume Design & Head of Wardrobe (Saint-	Cutte
Denis)	Natio
Jill Thomson	Julia

Fabric Treatment Consultant Angela Rassenti (Set and Costume Design, 2008)

#### Lighting Designer & Production Management Andrea Lundy

er and Head of Wardrobe (Monumentonal) Metzger

The land on which we are gathered has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst nations. It is part of the traditional unceded territory of the Kanien'kehá:ka, whose rich cultural heritage continues to teach us that respect, dialogue and peace are pillars of democratic governance.

The public performances of the National Theatre School's graduating class represent the culmination of years of training for many of Canada's future playwrights, actors, directors, designers, and production personnel. Everything seen on stage and all that goes on behind the scenes is created by the students under the guidance of professional guest artists. The National Theatre School of Canada is a school for the arts. It is the premier professional theatre training institution in the country. The School offers incomparable training in all theatre arts.

Alisa Palmer, Executive Artistic Director of the English Section Frédéric Dubois, Executive Artistic Director of the French section Fanny Pagé, CEO

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# **UPCOMING SHOWS**

**NEW WORDS FESTIVAL:** flight of fancy, hold me close by Adjani Poirier Directed by **Rose Plotek** April 29 to May 6, 2023 **Monument-National Campus** Presented by Hydro-Québec

**NEW WORDS FESTIVAL:** SYCOPHANT by Nora Vision Directed by **Jonathan** Seinen April 29 to May 6, 2023 **Monument-National Campus** Presented by Hydro-Québec

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#### Artistic Director: **Monique** Richard

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### (in French)

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