



*We are such stuff
as dreams are made on ...*

Experience the spectacle of live theatre in three of Queensland's most stunning locations when the sixth annual Shakespeare in the Park Festival returns to Toowoomba, Springfield and the Fraser Coast.

The magnificent camphor laurel trees of historic Queens Park will once again provide the spectacular backdrop for the Toowoomba season in late February and into the first week of March. The Festival then tours to Springfield, conveniently located midway between Brisbane and Ipswich. It then concludes at Hervey Bay's balmy Seafront Oval in late-March to coincide with the Fraser Coast Cultural Festival.

The 2009 season offers a unique range of cultural experiences for audiences of all ages including Secondary School Workshop Days; a mini-show, *Tempest in a Teacup* touring into local primary schools; and an unforgettable production of *The Tempest* on the Festival's open air stage.

Visit www.usq.edu.au/shakespeare for further information.



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TOOWOOMBA
25 FEB-7 MAR 2009

SPRINGFIELD
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18-21 MAR 2009

The Tempest

Shakespeare's extraordinary,
otherworldly adventure



GUEST DIRECTOR ANDREA MOOR
DESIGNER CAROLYN TAYLOR-SMITH



The final and finest of Shakespeare's late, great romances tells the tale of Prospero, Duke of Milan, exiled on an unknown Mediterranean island who, using his power over the sprite Ariel and monster Caliban, sets off a mischievous chain of events to secure justice.

Both tragic and comic, the multi-layered tour-de-force is a delicious blend of grace and grandeur, mystery and marvel, and confusing complications.

Featuring some of Queensland's finest emerging actors, the production will be directed by well-known Australian Actor and Director, **Andrea Moor**.

Gates open an hour before the show so why not come along early and enjoy your picnic dinner as the sun sets behind the trees before the show?

Pack a hamper and a bottle of wine or sample some tasty treats from the on-site vendors ... and don't forget to bring a blanket or chair ... and a jumper – just in case!



Buddy of the Bard

*'I count myself in nothing else so happy as
in a soul remembering my good friends.'*

— William Shakespeare —

As the Shakespeare in the Park Festival continues to evolve and flourish, so too do the many different experiences we offer to the community.

This year, we launch Buddy of the Bard; an exciting new donor initiative for community members and small business owners.

The Buddy of the Bard program is a contribution opportunity which provides a unique occasion to entertain clients and friends or even spoil yourself. The program offers an affordable avenue for you to support USQ Creative Arts students at a grass roots level.

Our Festival relies on the kind assistance of friends such as you who share our love of the power and poetry of Shakespeare and the belief that it should be accessible to everyone.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF BECOMING A BUDDY?

- 2 Tickets to *The Tempest*
- 2 Reserved Buddy of the Bard Chairs
- Gourmet Wine & Cheese Hamper for 2
- Festival Program
- 2 Festival T-shirts
- 2 Festival Wine Glasses
- 2 Buddy of the Bard Badges

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

It only costs \$500 for two people to become a Buddy and to receive all the benefits as listed. You will receive a receipt for tax purposes, with \$300 being a donation and fully tax deductible.

HOW DO I BECOME A BUDDY OF THE BARD?

Register today by calling the
USQ Artsworx Box Office
07 4631 1111 or boxoffice@usq.edu.au



| TOOWOOMBA | SPRINGFIELD | FRASER COAST |
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| 26–28 February & 1, 5–7 March · 7pm Queens Park, Toowoomba | 12–14 March · 7pm Education City Mini Oval USQ Campus, Springfield | 19–21 March · 7pm Seafront Oval, Hervey Bay |
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