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## **Century Presents Summer Shakespeare Starting June 26**

The 35<sup>th</sup> season of Shakespeare & Company, Minnesota's longest running outdoor classical repertory theatre, begins June 26 at Century College and runs through Aug. 1. This year's productions are *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, *Romeo and Juliet* and *Measure for Measure*.

All performances are held at Century's Outdoor Theatre Complex on the college's West Campus, 3300 Century Ave. N., White Bear Lake. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors, and free for children under 12. Friday and Saturday performances are at 7 p.m., and Sundays are at 6 p.m. Tickets are available at the ticket booth prior to the performance. For information, please call 651-779-5818 or visit the website at [www.shakespeareandcompany.org](http://www.shakespeareandcompany.org).

Starting June 26, bring a picnic supper, a blanket or a lawn chair and enjoy:

*A Midsummer Night's Dream*

**Directed by Jeffrey Altier**

Love in all its absurdity is the unifying theme of Shakespeare's most well-known comedy. Run away couples, feuding fairies and their playful minion, a troop of workers rehearsing a play, and a guy who gets turned into a donkey all mix and match during a magical night in the forests. It doesn't take long for chaos to ensue as the real world and dream worlds collide, with delightful results. *June 26, 27, July 3, 16, 24, Aug 1*

***Romeo and Juliet***

**Directed by George M. Roesler**

*"Two households both alike in dignity, in fair Verona where we lay our scene.*

*From forth the fatal loins of these two foes, A pair of star-cross'd lovers take their life."*

Thus begins a most tragic love story. The lyric passion of Romeo and Juliet is radiant, beset with accident, disastrous coincidence, misadventure, and foolhardy plans ending in tragedy. Romeo and Juliet's "death-mark'd love" is sacrificed to the ancient quarrel between their two families. *"For never was a story of more woe than this of Juliet and her Romeo."*

*July 2, 4, 10, 18, 23, 31*

***Measure for Measure***

**Directed by Stu Naber**

*"Some rise by sin, and some by virtue fall."*

The Duke has absented himself from Vienna, leaving his lieutenant, Angelo, to enforce a strict code of morality on the city. When a seemingly minor infraction becomes a death sentence for young Claudio, and the fires of Angelo's own lust are fanned by the sight of Claudio's sister Isabella, trouble is in the offing. Comedy and tragedy meld in Shakespeare's dark romance. *July 9, 11, 17, 25, 30*

## Season 2010 Performance Schedule

Saturday	June	26	A Midsummer Night's Dream
Sunday	June	27	A Midsummer Night's Dream
Friday	July	2	Romeo and Juliet
Saturday	July	3	A Midsummer Night's Dream
Sunday	July	4	Romeo and Juliet
Friday	July	9	Measure for Measure
Saturday	July	10	Romeo and Juliet
Sunday	July	11	Measure for Measure
Friday	July	16	A Midsummer Night's Dream
Saturday	July	17	Measure for Measure
Sunday	July	18	Romeo and Juliet
Friday	July	23	Romeo and Juliet
Saturday	July	24	A Midsummer Night's Dream
Sunday	July	25	Measure for Measure
Friday	July	30	Measure for Measure
Saturday	July	31	Romeo and Juliet
Sunday	Aug	1	A Midsummer Night's Dream