

AS YOU LIKE IT

presented by Shakespeare for Performance, ASP 2015



THURSDAY, JULY 23, 7 P.M. &
FRIDAY, JULY 24, 4:30 P.M.

SYNOPSIS

Duke Frederick has usurped the title and throne of his elder brother, Duke Senior. Duke Senior has taken up residence in the Forest of Arden with his band of loyal followers, leaving his daughter, Rosalind, behind at the court. Into this situation, enter Orlando and Oliver de Boys, two brothers divided by enmity. Orlando has long been mistreated by his brother; when Orlando enters a wrestling match sponsored by Duke Frederick, Oliver tells his opponent, Charles – a champion wrestler – that he wouldn't care if Charles were to break Orlando's neck.

To the surprise of all, Orlando wins the match. In doing so, he attracts the romantic attention of Rosalind and the ire of Oliver. Orlando and his servant, Adam, flee Oliver's wrath into Arden. Duke Frederick decides to banish Rosalind to Arden as he did with her father. Celia, Frederick's daughter and Rosalind's best friend, declares that she will accompany her in exile. Rosalind disguises herself as a boy named Ganymede, while Celia assumes the part of "his" sister, Aliena. They are accompanied by the clown Touchstone.

Orlando eventually finds himself in the company of Duke Senior's men, pining for his lost Rosalind. Rosalind, meanwhile, purchases a flock of sheep and a pasture, and sets out to lead a pastoral life. Before long, however, Orlando's habit of carving Rosalind's name in the trees and leaving love poems scattered about the forest tip her off to his presence. Still disguised as Ganymede, Rosalind seeks out Orlando to get a better sense of his feelings for her. She promises to cure Orlando's heartache by letting him pour his feelings out to Ganymede as if "he" were Rosalind. Rosalind also attempts a match between Silvius and Phebe that goes awry when Phebe falls instead for Rosalind's Ganymede. Meanwhile, Touchstone courts a country girl named Audrey, adding to the multiple romance plots.

The resolution begins when Oliver enters the camp. Orlando has saved him from an attack by a lion, and the two brothers have reconciled. Upon meeting Celia, now Oliver falls in love; Duke Senior promises to join them in wedlock the next day. Rosalind makes Phebe promise to marry Silvius if she can't have Ganymede, then tells Orlando that Rosalind will marry him that day as well. When all have gathered for the wedding, Rosalind reveals herself as the erstwhile Ganymede. She and Orlando are happily reunited, and Phebe agrees to marry Silvius. Touchstone will also marry Audrey. As the pledges of love are exchanged, Orlando and Oliver's brother enters the scene. Jaques brings news that Duke Frederick, upon meeting a holy man, has repented his ways and opted for a monastic life. Duke Senior is restored to his rightful position, and all live happily ever after.

Cast of Characters

Orlando, youngest son of Sir Rowland de Boys	Nolan Nightingale
Oliver, his elder brother	Chris Simpson
Second brother, brother to Orlando and Oliver, named Jaques.....	Sam Kingston
Adam, servant to Oliver and friend to Orlando	Leah Dunbar
Dennis, servant to Oliver.....	Hazel Johnstone
Rosalind, daughter to Duke Senior	Lydia Hoffman
Celia, Rosalind's cousin, daughter to Duke Frederick	Karina Ithier
Touchstone, a court Fool.....	Emma Ainsworth
Duke Frederick, the usurping duke	Krissy Mehegan
Charles, wrestler at Duke Frederick's court	Sam Kingston
Le Beau, courtier at Duke Frederick's court.....	Nancy Gregory
First Lord, attending Duke Frederick	Sarah Smith
Second Lord, attending Duke Frederick	Hadley Pope
Duke Senior, the exiled duke, brother to Duke Frederick.....	Theo Augustein
Jaques, attending Duke Senior	Sydney Moquin
Amiens, attending Duke Senior.....	Madeline Ciocci
Lord attending Duke Senior	Kinley Guerino
Pages attending Duke Senior.....	Nancy Gregory Leah Dunbar
Corin, a shepherd	Helena Whitcomb
Silvius, a young shepherd in love.....	Lindsay Wyman
Phoebe, a disdainful shepherdess.....	Katie Ort
Audrey, a goatkeeper.....	Hazel Johnstone
William, a country youth in love with Audrey	Aly Lizotte
Sir Oliver Martext, a parish priest	Kinley Guerino
Hymen, god of marriage	Hadley Pope
The Sheeple.....	Leah Dunbar, Nancy Gregory, Kinley Guerino, Hazel Johnstone, Sam Kingston, Aly Lizotte, Krissy Mehegan, Hadley Pope, Sarah Smith, Chris Simpson

Biographies

Emma Ainsworth - Emma is ecstatic to be doing Shakespeare at ASP! Emma comes from White Mountains Regional High School where she hugs trees and rides moose through the wilderness of the heavily forested Northcountry.

Theo Augustein - Theo is ecstatic to be participating in this production of *As You Like It* as the happily-banished Duke Senior at ASP 2015. Besides in the theater, Theo is ecstatic when eating, sleeping, reading, movie watching, shopping, and eating ice cream. She hopes you enjoy the show and is ecstatic that you have come. *loud whisper voice*SHEEPLE*loud whisper voice*

Madeline Ciocci - Madeline is ecstatic to be playing Amiens and goes to ConVal High in Peterborough. Madeline is fluent in 17 languages and rides elephants competitively in the Sahara. Thanks to Marbs and Veggie for being great parents and to Kevin, Aidan, and Sarah for the best summer ever!

Leah Dunbar - Leah, from Hillsboro, is ecstatic to have spent her summer with such a great cast, as well as to be playing Adam (and a Sheeple!) in this production. Thanks to everyone for the memories, I hope you enjoy the show!

Nancy Gregory - Nancy is ecstatic to play the fabulous Le Beau in *As You Like It*. You can b(aaaa)lieve she's having a blast here at ASP! Thanks to her parents, Kevin, Aidan, and Sarah!

Kinley Guerino - Kinley is a student at Oyster River High School in Durham, New Hampshire. This program is her first experience with acting but she is ecstatic to be in a Shakespearean comedy.

Lydia Hoffman - Lydia is ecstatic to have been a part of the Advanced Studies Program at Saint Paul's this summer, and even more excited to have participated in the Shakespeare for Performance class. AYLI has been an extremely valuable learning experience for her, and she could not have done it without the support of Aidan, Sarah, Kevin and her loving family. Thanks everyone for a great summer!

Karina Ithier - Karina is ecstatic to be here at Saint Paul's Shakespeare for Performance. She has enjoyed her time dearly being immersed with friendly sheeple and meeting new people in the Forest of Arden. She would like to thank her parents, Kevin, Aidan, and Sarah, and hopes that you enjoy the show!

Hazel Johnstone - Hazel is ecstatic for the opportunity to take part in *As You Like It*. She would like to deeply thank Kevin, Aidan, Sarah, and the wonderful cast, as well as her English teacher for proving to her that it is okay to try things that she is afraid of (like this).

Sam Kingston - Sam is ecstatic to be playing a burly Charles the Wrestler, a convenient Second Brother, and a wide-eyed sherson in this production of *As You Like It*. Sam will not be blinking while on stage as a sherson.

Aly Lizotte - Aly is from Claremont and hasn't done any acting previous to her time at ASP. She is ecstatic to be involved in this program and to be playing a sheeple. In her free time she plays soccer, basketball, runs track and is completely in love with mac & cheese. Thanks to her mom and pops for being the bom.com and letting her come here.

Krissy Mehegan - Krissy is ecstatic to be playing Duke Frederick the usurping duke in *As You Like It*. She is from Pembroke Academy, where she has been involved in theatre since she was six years old. She is grateful for this opportunity to pursue her love for the arts at ASP, and hopes you enjoy the show.

Sydney Moquin - Sydney is ecstatic to be playing Jaques in *As You Like It*! She is from Franklin High School and has been doing theatre for four years. In her spare time, she enjoys singing, dancing, and going to Applebee's. Sydney would like to dedicate this performance to Jule C. Finley, who introduced her to theatre and has taught her everything she knows.

Nolan Nightingale - Two Truths and a Lie: Nolan is from Lisbon, New Hampshire. Nolan is ecstatic that his parents allowed him to go to this program. Nolan is an international assassin in his free time.

Katie Ort - Katie is ecstatic to be Phoebe and the Dead Deer! She loves her cat, Harry Potter, and dancing in the rain! Thanks to Lindsay my Silvius for still loving me!

Hadley Pope - Hadley is ecstatic to be involved in the Shakespeare for Performance production of *As You Like It*. This program has been very informative for her, especially in the realm of embodying comedic sheep.

Chris Simpson - Hello, I am from Dunbarton, N.H., and I am new to being in theater. This is my second play, my first being *Cymbeline*, which we did 2 weeks ago. Enjoy.

Sarah Smith - Sarah is ecstatic to be a sheeple and a Lord to Duke Frederick in *As You Like It*! This experience has been wonderful, and she would like to thank her castmates for making it so fun. Also, a thank you to Kevin, Aidan, and Sarah for putting in so much time and seeing our potential from the beginning.

Helena Whitcomb - Helena hails from Hanover. She is ecstatic to have this opportunity to be shepherd. Helena is very excited to see her family who has come to her play and hopes they enjoy the show.

Lindsay Wyman - After having a thrilling time in *Cymbeline*, Lindsay is ecstatic to take on a new role in *As You Like It*. In this production, she will bring to life the role of Silvius, a young shepherd in love.



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