

Humber River Shakespeare to present A Midsummer Night's Dream

For their ninth annual summer tour, the Humber River Shakespeare Company will be presenting one of the Bard's most beloved comedies.

A Midsummer's Night Dream will be taking to the road, bringing the magic of outdoor theatre to communities across the area.

A Midsummer's Night Dream is a delightful tale of meddling fairies, star-crossed lovers, royal engagements and muddled tradesmen caught up in chaos. The most popular comedy in Shakespeare's canon, this hilarious romp has love on the loose in the woods. Add a misapplied love potion, mistaken identities and the most famous play-within-a play ever written, and there is a perfect recipe for joy and laughter.

The language, poetry and wit of Shakespeare shine as bright and as lovely as the moon in this timeless classic.

The tour will open July 5 and 6 with performances at Dick's Dam Park in Bolton, followed by a stop July 7 at the Schomberg Fairgrounds, July 9 at Tasca Park in Nobleton and there will also be a July 14 performance at Alton Mill Arts Centre.

Other stops on the tour will be July 8 at the LINK in Georgina; July 10 and 12 at the McMichael Canadian Art Collection in Kleinburg; July 13 at Bradford Public Library and Cultural Centre; July 15, 16 and 17 at Town Park in Aurora; July 19 and 20 at Newmarket Riverwalk Commons; July 21, 22 and 23 at Thornlodge Park in Mississauga; July 24 at Montgomery's Inn in Etobicoke; July 26 at Etienne Brulé Park in Etobicoke; July 27 and 28 at the Old Mill in Toronto and again at Montgomery's Inn July 29, 30 and 31.

Humber River Shakespeare has been touring professional, outdoor Shakespeare to communities across the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) for nine years. Their productions are done as in Shakespeare's day: in the open air, with simple sets, colourful costumes, a love of the language and a focus on playful storytelling.

All performances are family friendly, and offered free of charge, but donations are most gratefully accepted. The suggested donation is \$20.