

Santa Cruz Shakespeare

2026 Summer Festival

- **Much Ado About Nothing July 11, 2:00 PM preview** One of Shakespeare's wittiest and most beloved comedies. Of all the couples in Shakespeare, perhaps none is more widely loved than Beatrice and Benedict. Their battle of wits, their antagonism turned to eroticism, their history. The audience, like the other characters in the play, wait with excitement as their wits clash, and eventually, as their love blossoms.
- **Macbeth July 15, 8:00 PM preview** Dark, bloody, brutal, and magnificent, William Shakespeare's Macbeth is one of the greatest plays ever written. Its central couple, ironically, is one of Shakespeare's happiest. A powerful unit, wildly in love with each other, the Macbeths follow the insinuations of the witches – the famous weird sisters – and commit murder in the name of their shared ambition: the throne of Scotland. But even with their goal achieved, Macbeth's paranoia and guilt lead him further down the road of blood.
- **Macbeth August 27, 7:00 PM regular price** For those who can afford the regular price admission (\$85), potluck & a final performance under a full moon.
- **Details:** For the 2:00 PM preview we will meet at 11:00 AM in Resurrection's Daily Mass Chapel for a pre-play discussion, and then at 12 Noon carpool to the Audrey Stanley Grove for a picnic lunch. For the 8:00 PM preview we will meet in the Daily Mass Chapel at 5:00 PM for a pre-play discussion, and then at 6:00 PM carpool to the Audrey Stanley Grove for a picnic supper. For the 7:00 PM regular price performance we will meet in the Daily Mass Chapel at 4:00 PM for a pre-play discussion, and then at 5:00 PM carpool to the Audrey Stanley Grove for a picnic supper.
- **Seating, Reservations & Payment:** Seating is reserved premier in the shade (with cushions) close to the stage.
 - **Preview** tickets for the performances 7/11 & 7/15 are **pay what you will** \$15 to \$45
 - **Regular price** tickets for the performance 8/27 are **\$85**.To reserve your tickets, place an envelope in the collection basket with cash or check to Resurrection Church (memo: Much Ado or Macbeth 7/15 or 8/27) **before** the Tuesday, June 30th deadline. For more information and to sign up contact Kevin Kolp, kkolp@comcast.net, 831 227-0865
- **Deadline for signups is Tuesday, June 30th.** Don't miss out!



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