

**The clouds**  
methought would open  
and show riches  
**Ready to drop**  
upon me, that when I waked,  
I cried to dream again.

The Tempest (Caliban, Act 3 Scene 2)



**SHAKESPEARE ON THE RIVER**

24/04/2018-05/04/2018    STRATFORD, VICTORIA

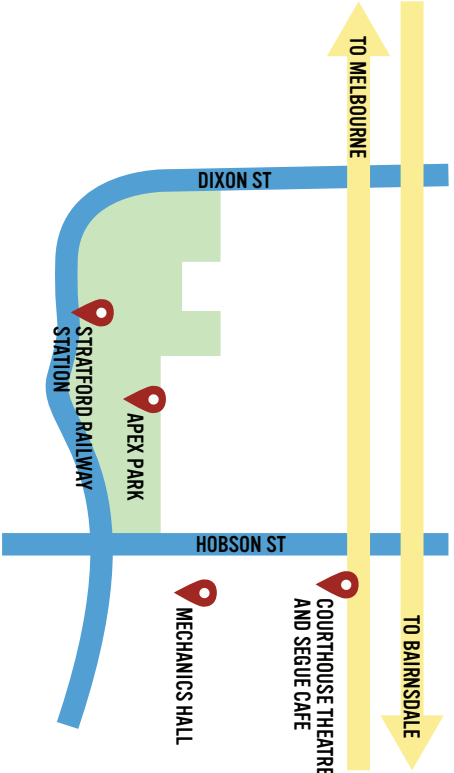


# STRATFORD RIVER FESTIVAL 2018

## PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

Our annual Shakespeare On The River Festival runs each April/May in Stratford, Australia. The festival has created an enduring arts legacy for Stratford that showcases community, professional theatre and the broader arts scene.

The Festival has grown to include over twenty different events being performed over a two-and-a-half week period. The people of Stratford, The Festival management team, the best artists from around the region, and guest professional companies will take you on a culturally engaging journey back in time.



21/04/2018-06/05/2018

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DATE	SHOW	VENUE	TIME	PRICE
21/04/2018	Official Festival Opening Event "Comedy of Errors" Groundwork Youth Theatre Shakespeare's Birthday Party in the Park	Stratford Courthouse & Segue Arts Cafe & Gallery Apex Park	6:00pm 8:00pm 10:00am	Free \$15 Free
22/04/2018	"Comedy of Errors" Groundwork Youth Theatre Traditional Evensong	Courthouse Theatre Holy Trinity Church	1:00pm 4:30pm	\$15 Free
23/04/2018	"Completely Improvised Shakespeare" Scoothplayers	Courthouse Theatre	7:30pm	Adult:\$25 Con:.\$15
27/04/2018	"The Tempest" Community Play	Courthouse Theatre	7:30pm	Adult:\$25 Con:.\$15
28/04/2018	"The Tempest" Community Play "The Bard's Banquet" Under The Sea A three-course meal, the great Shakespearean debate and Ye Olde Rusty Rockers	Courthouse Theatre Mechanics Hall	5:00pm 7:00pm	Adult:\$25 Con:.\$15 \$55
29/04/2018	"Vocal Nosh" Led by Eva Gunden	Mechanics Hall	12:00pm	\$15
01/05/2018	"Romeo & Juliet" Combined Schools Grade 6 Play	Mechanics Hall	1:30pm	\$5
03/05/2018	"Romeo & Juliet" Combined Schools Grade 6 Play "The Tempest" Community Play	Mechanics Hall Courthouse Theatre	1:30pm 7:30pm	\$5 Adult:\$25 Con:.\$15
04/05/2018	"Romeo & Juliet" Combined Schools Grade 6 Play "The Tempest" Community Play	Mechanics Hall Courthouse Theatre	6:00pm 7:30pm	\$5 Adult:\$25 Con:.\$15
05/05/2018	"Shakespeare in Therapy" 24 Carrot Productions "The Tempest" Community Play	Mechanics Hall Courthouse Theatre	2:00pm 7:30pm	Adult:\$25 Con:.\$15
06/05/2018	Medieval Faire Day & Makers Market Family day with fair games, children's acting workshops, live music and food	Hobson Street Mechanics Hall	10:00am-3:00pm 2:00pm	Free Adult:\$25 Con:.\$15

PERFORMANCES

FOOD

OTHER

## DEVELOPMENT

### THE SHEILA MALADY SHORT STORY COMPETITION "FOR THE LOVE OF SHAKESPEARE"

The official opening of the 2018 Art Exhibition will be held on Saturday 21st April at 6pm. Please invite friends and family to join you at the opening.

The submission deadline is Wednesday 11 April 2018 so it's time to get working - remember it's better a witty fool than a foolish wit!

-William Shakespeare.

For more information on entry rules and how to submit a piece, please refer to our website.

### STRATFORD ARTS TRAIL

To develop an interactive town walking trail using mainly existing paths and infrastructure to provide a means of festival rediscovery for locals and encourage visitors to dwell and take time to appreciate the creative art and festival culture of our fascinating town.

By forming this trail, we are uniting many community groups through story, song, history, art, drama and nature whilst simultaneously giving our festival an interactive presence 365 days of the year. This trail is a central link in moving the festival through the town helping incorporate local businesses during the festival.

At the beginning of your walk you will be given a complementary map/postcard and rented an MP4 to narrate your walk through town. Your walk can be commented through either Artist statements, Theatrical Drama, Music, Story, or History, depending on your preference.

For more information, please visit our website or enquire at the Stratford on the River Caravan Park or Shakespeare's Segue Cafe.

## PERFORMANCES

### "COMEDY OF ERRORS"

Groundwork Youth Group

Antipholus and Dromio travel where another servant called Dromio tells Antipholus he has to be home for dinner, he beats up the second Dromio. Another Antipholus then beats up the first Dromio for being a snarky back chit. Then Antipholus goes to dinner with his wife and takes Dromio (the first one that the second Antipholus beat up) Did I mention they are all twin brothers? Confused yet? Come along to "The Comedy of Errors". You'll be treated to hilarious confusion, slapstick humour, cross dressing and the occasional far like all set in the Wild West.

DIRECTED BY LAUREN REID  
https://www.facebook.com/groundworkyouththeatre/

SHOWING AT COURTHOUSE THEATRE  
21/04/2018 @ 8pm, 22/04/2018 @ 1pm  
ALL TICKETS \$15

### "THE TEMPEST"

Community Play

For Prospero, Time does not heal all wounds.

After being usurped as the Duke of Milan by his brother, Prospero and his daughter Miranda found refuge in a small harsh and exotic land. Twelve years later, with the arrival of some unexpected shipwrecked visitors, Prospero is ripe for vengeance.

The time has come to settle an age old grudge so Prospero magics up a storm - an array of mystical events causing havoc. Meanwhile, a love-at-first-sight romance blossoms between his island-raised daughter and King Alonso's son Ferdinand - an unfortunate island captor. The past meets the present with Gonzalo, the former Duke's trusted

### 2018 ART EXHIBITION

"THE TEMPEST"

The possibilities are truly endless for the 2018 Stratford Shakespeare on the River Festival Art Exhibition. This Exhibition is open to artists of all styles and mediums and is now in its 8th year with growing momentum. The past years have seen works by renowned and upcoming artists with a people choice award and opportunity to sell your works during one of Stratford's busiest months.

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