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Theatre

William Shakespeare's

KING%LEAR

KING LEAR is a play with multiple themes and issues but perhaps the most harrowing is the issue of displacement. The term "displacement" was heavily coined in the late 70's early 80's, but has since been replaced by the word "homeless." It seems to me that "displaced" connotes a person who exists psychologically and emotionally on the periphery of society. It is possible to live and work next to a displaced person and never know it. The play addresses this condition on all levels. The "homelessness" of the 90's associates itself with a loss of status and material security and is a true indicator of our dependency upon financial well being. Both Lear and Gloucester, being of the "old order," are "displaced" people who desperately want to be accepted back into the normal order of things yet their enlightenment is inspired from living outside the normal order of society. Edgar daringly sacrifices all security and position to live a life of one who is "displaced." Through a display of unmatched loyalty, Kent too steps into the unknown, accepting the anguish of "displacement" in order to save his king and master. And so it is, that through this displacement, Lear is brought to a state of self-realization. Perhaps it is only when parents fall from grace, becoming less than Godlike to their children, do they begin to understand themselves and ultimately their own children. The story of Oedipus and his self-realization through blindness is a time-honored theatrical irony. But in life, as in this fiction by Shakespeare, it is important to be aware that we are faced with the issue of "displacement" and homelessness and we should address it and be prompted to find solutions for the future.

William Shakespeare's KING LEAR

DIRECTED BY
Phillip M. Church

SCENIC & LIGH+ING DESIGN
Douglas Molash

& DRAMA+URGY
Marilyn R. Skow

CHOREOGRAPHER Lee Brooke

VOCAL COACH Lesley-Ann Timlick

> COMPOSER Greg Sendler

There will be a ten-minute intermission.

CAST

Lear, King of England	Therald Todd
Gonerill, Lear's eldest daughter	Carmen B. Cimadevilla
Regan, Lear's second daughter	Tamala C. Horbianski
Cordelia, Lear's youngest daughter	
The King of France	
The Duke of Burgundy	Osvaldo E. Quintana
The Duke of Albany,	
husband to Goneril	Charles A. Quinteros
The Duke of Cornwall,	
husband to Regan	Yamil Piedra
The Earl of Gloucester	Wayne E. Robinson, Jr.
Edgar, his elder son	Odell A. Rivas
Edmond, his bastard son	Oldy McFarlane
The Earl of Kent	David Perez
Curan/Herald	Felix Manya
A Gentlewoman	Heather Sligar
Oswald, Goneril's Steward	Roberto Maxwell
Old Woman, Gloucester's Tenant	Laverne M. Lewis
A Captain	Julian Dominguez
Fool, in Lear's service	Agnes Tsangaridou
Guards, Soldiers, Knights, Courtiers,	
Attendants, Messengers, Servants	Rhonda Atkins,
	Jorge Caridad,
	Joe Garcia,
	Mikala Moss,
	Gina Mucci,
	Larissa Ramos,
	Sandy Reyes,
	Alex Santa-Eulalia,
	Claire E. Tyler

PRODUCTION STAFF

Technical Director	
Business Manager	
Costumier	
Fight Director	Alexander Daye
Assistant Director	Jacqueline Bledsoe
Stage Manager	Colleen C. Crouch
Assistant Stage Manager	Jennifer Robinson
Assistant Vocal Coaches	Tamala C. Horbianski, Odell Rivas
Assistant Costume Designer	
Assistant Scenic Designer	
Assistant Lighting Designer	
Student Costume Assistant	Heather Koschney
Dance Captain	
Fight Captain	
Sound Preparation	Osvaldo F Quintana
Light Board Operator	Andre Solie
Sound Board Operator	
Running Crew Head	
Head of Props	
Property Pear Cray	Eddie Carrie And Maria Lagresa
Property Prep Crew	Described France Mally Laborate
Constant Deliver Constant	Dannibeth Farnum, Molly Lehmann
Scenery Painting Crew	
	Gina Mucci, Charles Quinteros,
6 6 6	Norma Dobrikow-O'hep
Scenery Construction Crew	Jacqueline Bledsoe, Laverne Lewis,
	Felix Manya, Roberto Maxwell,
	Gina Mucci, Osvaldo Quintana,
	Charles Quinteros, Tiffany Rideaux,
	Aimee Sanchez, Heather Sligar,
	Magdalena Szwedkowicz
Set Running Crew	
Wardrobe	
	Heather Koschney, Jessica Younes
Costume Construction Crew	
	Carmen Cimadevilla, Mikala Moss,
	Sandra Reyes, Larrisa Ramos,
	Daniela Schwimmer, Jessica Younes,
	Susie Pinedo, Rhonda Atkins
Lighting Prep Crew	Robert Maxwell,
	Magdalena Szwedkowicz,
	Carey Kane, Lorraine Lopez,
	David Perez
Publicity	Berki De los Santos
House Manager	Nicky Santaella
Head Usher	Ahymara Gonzalez
Box Office	

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