SHAKESPEARE AT WINEDALE 1979

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A Workshop in Play
Directed by James B. Ayres
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The University of Texas Winedale Historical Center
THE PLAYERS

Maria Black  Teresa Jaynes  Carl Nordstrom
Britt Block  Frances Johnson  David Patin
Aubrey Carter  Jeanne McCarthy  David Sharpe
Jeff Ellinger  Bruce Meyer  Richard South
Jeanne Frontain  Robin Mize  Julie Ward
Michael Godwin  Barb Montgomery  Bruce Wharton

THE PLAYS

AS YOU LIKE IT

We understand As You Like It to be simply a mosaic of several perspectives on life and love. Each point of view is unique and valid, but incomplete. The major device of the play is just this contrast of viewpoints, offered in the pastoral setting of the Forest of Arden, which suggests the range of our experiences as lovers and as human beings.

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING

Each scene of the play contains performers and audience among its characters. We witness Don John’s malicious deceptions along with several well-meant deceptions by more virtuous folk. Words here create images and action: it is the verbal persuasion of one character by another that catapults the scheming into effect. “Wit” can be both a leap beyond false ceremony, and just one more substitute for contact. And both the verbal shenanigans and court dances of the play help us understand the title, Much Ado about Nothing. The characters expend more energy in avoiding and manipulating people than in coming together, or loving.
... for beauty lives with kindness.
Two Gentlemen of Verona, IV.II.

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