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“Alas, poor Yorick!” ACT return to Bradford Cathedral for their summer Shakespeare show of Hamlet



Some of the cast from the 2021 production of Hamlet, taken during an earlier rehearsal this year

Actors Community Theatre (ACT) return to Bradford Cathedral this week with their twelfth Shakespeare production. Hamlet will take place in the beautiful grounds of the Cathedral on the evenings of Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd July (7:15pm), and for an afternoon matinee on Saturday 24th July (2:45pm).



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The play was originally scheduled for summer 2020 but was delayed due to the COVID pandemic, so it's a pleasure to finally bring the production to the Cathedral.

Harry Rundle, who leads the cast in the role of Hamlet, says:

“Playing Hamlet is a great joy due to the immense freedom and possibility it gives you. We can never truly understand Hamlet, because of this he is forever interesting, and every actor has the chance to bring something new to the character.”

Director Jonathan Green says:

“The strength of a play can be found in reading. Shakespeare's text is sufficient to communicate to you its entire world – the language is so expressive, the characters are so real, and the drama is so vivid that performing it seems an indulgence. Still, at times like these it can be good to indulge. Hamlet combines tragedy, comedy, and the supernatural; it presents family and personal conflicts at the highest levels of power; it balances philosophy with satire and farce. Hamlet is both timeless and strikingly relevant.”

You can book your ticket via hamlet.eventbrite.co.uk, or there will be limited tickets available on the door. Tickets are £10 + booking fee, or £7 for concessions (Concessions are available to those of school age (up to year 13), those over 65 and anyone on a low income). In the event of bad weather, the production will move indoors.

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Notes for Editors

About Bradford Cathedral

Bradford Cathedral has been a place of worship in Bradford since the first millennium. It is the oldest building in the city and, alongside being a place of worship, hosts events, arts projects and much more. In 2020 Bradford Cathedral won the gold award for 'Small Visitor Attraction of the Year' at the White Rose Awards.

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About ACT

Actors Community Theatre (ACT) was formed at the Priestley Theatre in 2003. The company are based in the city centre of Bradford and their principal production is the highly acclaimed annual Shakespearian production at Bradford Cathedral.

