

William Shakespeare's

HAMLET

Freely Adapted and Directed by Tom Amen



Audition Dates: August 31 & September 1, 2021
7-10 PM
KOCE Building
Golden West College

Performance Dates: November 5 – 14, 2021

About the Play

“*To be, or not to be?*” Who has never heard this legendary line? William Shakespeare’s hallmark tragedy of murder and revenge is a timeless masterpiece of classical drama that many consider the greatest play ever written!

This dark and riveting story follows the tormented young Prince of Denmark as he attempts to unravel the mystery surrounding the untimely death of his father. Powerful, passionate, and deeply moving, this streamlined adaptation crackles with suspense from its opening moments to its shattering conclusion! After 400 years, *Hamlet* is as potent and provocative as the day the Bard of Avon set pen to paper!

The Cast of Characters

This free adaptation is written for a cast of only 7 actors playing 14 roles. The complete cast /character breakdown is as follows:

Hamlet - Prince of Denmark (Age 20s-30)

Claudius/Ghost (50s - 60)

Gertrude (40s-50s)

Polonius/Gravedigger (50s-60s)

Ophelia (Lates Teens to 20s)

Guildenstern/First Player/Laertes (20s-30)

Rosencrantz/Second Player/Priest/Osric (20s-30)

Audition Requirements

All actors wishing to audition should prepared a 2-3 minute monologue from a Shakespearean tragedy other than *Hamlet*.

For further audition or production information, please contact Tom Amen at tamen@gwc.cccd.edu