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**The Invisible Actor** Yoshi Oida 2013-09-13 First Published in 1998. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

*God's Gift of Tremendous Power* Ann Shakespeare 2019-03-21 *God's Gift of Tremendous Power* presents a dynamic vision of what it means to live "in Christ Jesus" and to be empowered by Him. It is a practical and inspirational book, explaining how we can align with biblical truth to become channels of God's love and resurrection power. Readers will gain a richer understanding of the Christ and our position of authority in Him. Its pages inspire us to live purposefully in the flow of our true identity, and to discover how to pray more powerfully in union with the One who makes all things new.

The Cambridge Companion to Shakespeare on Screen Russell Jackson 2020-12-17 Lively and up-to-date critical introductions to a rich range of Shakespeare adaptations for film, video and television.

**The Merchant of Venice** William Shakespeare 1800

Spirituality and Deep Connectedness Michael C. Brannigan 2018-09-15 This collection of essays by respected scholars and practitioners in diverse fields in academic, healthcare, social justice, and interfaith contexts addresses alternatives to the prevailing notion of spirituality as a purely private matter, and makes a case for living spiritually through deep and genuine engagement with others.

**Screening the Royal Shakespeare Company** John Wyver 2019-06-27 No theatre company has been involved in such a broad range of adaptations for television

and cinema as the Royal Shakespeare Company. Starting with Richard III filmed in the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre before World War One, the RSC's accomplishments continue today with highly successful live cinema broadcasts. The Wars of the Roses (BBC, 1965), Peter Brook's film of King Lear (1971), Channel 4's epic version of Nicholas Nickleby (1982) and Hamlet with David Tennant (BBC, 2009) are among their most iconic adaptations. Many other RSC productions live on as extracts in documentaries, as archival recordings, in trailers and in other fragmentary forms. Screening the Royal Shakespeare Company explores this remarkable history of collaborations between stage and screen and considers key questions about adaptation that concern all those involved in theatre, film and television. John Wyver is a broadcasting historian and the producer of RSC Live from Stratford-upon-Avon, and is uniquely well-placed to provide a vivid account of the company's television and film productions. He contributes an award-winning practitioner's insight into screen adaptation's numerous challenges and rich potential.

*Tragedies of the English Renaissance* Goran Stanivukovic 2018-02-01 A survey of modern cinematic and televisual responses to the concept of the golden age.

**Small Mercies** Nancy Jo Sullivan 2012-04-01 People who are only nominally spiritual have relatively little trouble sensing some sort of Divine presence when looking up at a beautiful snow-capped mountain or looking around in a grand cathedral. But even deeply spiritual individuals would likely admit that finding God in the places and faces that define daily life can be a bit more challenging. In *Small Mercies*, fifty-something Nancy Jo Sullivan reflects on her life to this point—which includes the death of one of her daughters and a painful divorce—and discovers with great joy that God has been, and continues to be, everywhere. From her grandmother's not-so-tasty date cookies to a dog that seems bent on attacking her to a conversation with her daughter about the function of muscles, Sullivan gives readers—especially second-half-of-life women—every reason to expect God to show up in the most unexpected ways. Ultimately, *Small Mercies* encourages us to stop "limiting" God to those rare moments where all seems sublime and perfect, and instead to seek out God's mercies in the ordinary, often imperfect moments that shape our everyday lives.

*Evoking Shakespeare* Peter Brook 1999 Based on a talk given by Peter Brook in Berlin, *Evoking Shakespeare* addresses a number of essential questions about performing Shakespeare today. 'Why is Shakespeare not out of date?' 'What do we mean by Shakespeare's "genius" or "creativity" or "poetry"?' 'What, in fact, is the Shakespeare phenomenon?'. In attempting answers to these and other questions, Brook invites us to consider the actual conditions of the Elizabethan theatre and the actual qualities of Shakespeare's language. The result is a provocative take on our greatest playwright by one of his most influential modern interpreters.

**The Open Door** Peter Brook 2005 The former director of the Royal Shakespeare Company and current head of the International Centre for Theatre Creation in Paris presents three wide-ranging essays on his work--how he selects a play,

how he directs, and what he seeks to achieve. Reprint.

Shakespeare Peter Conrad 2018-10-04 In 1623 the actors John Heminges and Henry Condell assembled Mr. William Shakespeare's Comedies, Histories, & Tragedies, better known as The First Folio. In doing so they preserved literature's most dramatically vital and poetically rich account of our human world. Endlessly reinterpreted by critics and performers, Shakespeare's inexhaustible work has remained abreast of contemporary concerns ever since, and it continues to hold a mirror up to the nature of our troubled society and our contradictory selves. The plays accompany us through the ages of mankind, from comic springtime to wintry age, compressing our life in time into the three hours' traffic of the stage; the characters in them have shaped the way we think about politics and war, consciousness and morality, love and death. Peter Conrad examines the world-view of the plays, their generic originality and their astonishingly inventive language. He goes on to explore Shakespeare's global legacy as his characters migrate to every continent and are reinvented by later writers, painters, composers, choreographers and film-makers.

**Playing by Ear** Peter Brook 2019-09-17 'Listen!' In this collection of new essays, the world-renowned director Peter Brook offers unique and personal insights into sound and music - from the surprising impact of Broadway musicals on his famous *Midsummer Night's Dream*, to the allure of applause, and on to the ultimate empty space: silence. It is studded throughout with episodes from the author's own life and career in opera, theatre and film - including working on many of his most notable productions, and intimate first-hand accounts of collaborating with leading figures including Truman Capote, Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh - and ranges across musical styles and cultures from around the world. *Playing by Ear* is full of Brook's shafts of insight and perception, and written with his customary wit and wisdom. It is a rich companion to his earlier reflections on Shakespeare in *The Quality of Mercy* and on language and meaning in *Tip of the Tongue*.

**The Empty Space** Peter Brook 1996 Discusses four types of theatrical landscapes; the deadly theatre, the holy theatre, the rough theatre, and the immediate theatre.

**A Midsummer Night's Dream (First International Student Edition) (Norton Critical Editions)** William Shakespeare 2018-03-30 "In the pure poetry and intoxication of words, Shakespeare never rose higher than he rises in this play." –G. K. Chesterton This Norton Critical Edition includes: • Shakespeare's most popular comedy—with its unforgettable love triangles, woodland fairies, and magic—based on Grace Ippollo's conflated text (Q1 with F1 variants) and accompanied by her introduction, note on the text, and explanatory annotations. • Five illustrations. • Seven sources for the play, including those by Geoffrey Chaucer, Plutarch, and Lucius Apuleius. • Fifteen wide-ranging critical assessments, including ones by Jan Kott, Margo Hendricks, and Peter Brook. • Adaptations of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* by Robert Cox and Henry Purcell and Elkanah Settle. • A Selected Bibliography. About the Series Read by more than

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The Great European Stage Directors Volume 5 Paul Allain 2021-10-07 This volume provides a fresh assessment of the pioneering practices of theatre directors Jerzy Grotowski, Peter Brook and Eugenio Barba, whose work has challenged and extended ideas about what theatre is and does. Contributors demonstrate how each was instrumental in rethinking and reinventing theatre's possibilities: where it takes place – whether in theatres or beyond – and who the audience might then be, as well as how actors train and perform, highlighting the importance of the group and collaboration. The volume examines their role in establishing intercultural dialogues and practices, and the wider influence of this work on theatre. Consideration is also given to each director's documentation of their practice in print and film and the influence this has had on 21st-century performance.

**Shakespeare and Directing in Practice** Kevin Ewert 2018-05-11 When directors approach Shakespeare, is the play always the thing – or might something else sometimes be the thing? How can directing produce fresh contexts for Shakespeare's work? Part of the innovative series Shakespeare in Practice this book introduces students to current practices of directing Shakespeare. Ewert explores how the conventions and creative tropes of today's theatre make meaning in Shakespeare production now. The 'In Theory' section starts with an analysis of theatre production and directing more generally before looking at the specific Shakespeare context. The 'In Practice' section offers a wonderful range of production examples that showcase the wide breadth of approaches to directing Shakespeare today, from the 'conventional' to the most experimental. Providing a useful general overview of directing Shakespeare on stage today, this is an ideal text for undergraduate and postgraduate students studying 'Shakespeare in Performance' in Literature, Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies departments. This book will also inspire students studying directing as part of a theatre programme, and scholars, performers and lovers of Shakespeare everywhere.

**Shakespearean Cultures** João Cezar de Castro Rocha 2019-04-01 In Shakespearean Cultures, René Girard's ideas on violence and the sacred inform an innovative analysis of contemporary Latin America. Castro Rocha proposes a new theoretical framework based upon the "poetics of emulation" and offers a groundbreaking approach to understanding the asymmetries of the modern world. Shakespearean cultures are those whose self-perception originates in the gaze of a hegemonic Other. The poetics of emulation is a strategy developed in situations of asymmetrical power relations. This strategy encompasses an array of procedures employed by artists, intellectuals, and writers situated at the less-favored side of such exchanges, whether they be cultural, political, or economic in

nature. The framework developed in this book yields thought-provoking readings of canonical authors such as William Shakespeare, Gustave Flaubert, and Joseph Conrad. At the same time, it favors the insertion of Latin American authors into the comparative scope of world literature, and stages an unprecedented dialogue among European, North American, and Latin American readers of René Girard's work.

**Performing Hamlet** Jonathan Croall 2018-08-23 Hamlet is arguably the most famous play on the planet, and the greatest of all Shakespeare's works. Its rich story and complex leading role have provoked intense debate and myriad interpretations. To play such a uniquely multi-faceted character as Hamlet represents the supreme challenge for a young actor. *Performing Hamlet* contains Jonathan Croall's revealing in-depth interviews with five distinguished actors who have played the Prince this century: Jude Law: 'You get to speak possibly the most beautiful lines about humankind ever given to an actor.' Simon Russell Beale: 'Hamlet is a very hospitable role: it will take anything you throw at it.' David Tennant: 'No other part has been so satisfying. It was tough, but utterly compelling.' Maxine Peake: 'Hamlet was a way of accessing bits of me as an actress I've not been able to access before.' Adrian Lester: 'Working with Peter Brook on Hamlet changed me as an actor, and for the better.' The book benefits from the author's interviews with six leading directors of the play during these years: Greg Doran, Nicholas Hytner, Michael Grandage, John Caird, Sarah Frankcom and Simon Godwin. Many other productions are described, from those starring Michael Redgrave, Alec Guinness and Paul Scofield in the 1950s, to the performances of Benedict Cumberbatch, Andrew Scott and Paapa Essiedu in recent times. The volume also includes an updated text of the author's earlier book *Hamlet Observed*, and an account of actors' experiences of performing at Elsinore.

Tip of the Tongue Peter Brook 2023-05-02 A thoughtful and deeply personal book by a master theatre-maker. In *Tip of the Tongue*, Peter Brook takes a charming, playful, and wise look at topics such as the subtle, telling differences between French and English, and the many levels on which we can appreciate the works of Shakespeare. Brook also revisits his seminal concept of the "empty space," considering how theatre--and the world--have changed over the span of his long and distinguished career. Threaded throughout with intimate and revealing stories from Brook's own life, *Tip of the Tongue* is a short but sparkling gift from one of the greatest artists of recent times.

Great Scenes from Shakespeare's Plays John Green 2000-02-01 Well-known scenes from "Hamlet," "King Lear," "Macbeth," "Romeo and Juliet," "Julius Caesar," and 15 other popular plays. Summaries, selections from the appropriate text, and captions accompany the illustrations. 30 black-and-white illustrations.

**Shakespeare in a Divided America** James Shapiro 2021-03-09 One of the New York Times Ten Best Books of the Year • A National Book Critics Circle Award Finalist • A New York Times Notable Book A timely exploration of what Shakespeare's plays reveal about our divided land. "In this sprightly and

enthraling book . . . Shapiro amply demonstrates [that] for Americans the politics of Shakespeare are not confined to the public realm, but have enormous relevance in the sphere of private life." –The Guardian (London) The plays of William Shakespeare are rare common ground in the United States. For well over two centuries, Americans of all stripes—presidents and activists, soldiers and writers, conservatives and liberals alike—have turned to Shakespeare's works to explore the nation's fault lines. In a narrative arching from Revolutionary times to the present day, leading scholar James Shapiro traces the unparalleled role of Shakespeare's four-hundred-year-old tragedies and comedies in illuminating the many concerns on which American identity has turned. From Abraham Lincoln's and his assassin, John Wilkes Booth's, competing Shakespeare obsessions to the 2017 controversy over the staging of Julius Caesar in Central Park, in which a Trump-like leader is assassinated, Shakespeare in a Divided America reveals how no writer has been more embraced, more weaponized, or has shed more light on the hot-button issues in our history.

**The Wednesday Wars** Gary D. Schmidt 2007 During the 1967 school year, on Wednesday afternoons when all his classmates go to either Catechism or Hebrew school, seventh-grader Holling Hoodhood stays in Mrs. Baker's classroom where they read the plays of William Shakespeare and Holling learns much of value about the world he lives in.

**Shakespeare Survey: Volume 67, Shakespeare's Collaborative Work** Peter Holland 2014-10-02 Shakespeare Survey is a yearbook of Shakespeare studies and productions. Since 1948, the Survey has published the best international scholarship in English and many of its essays have become classics of Shakespeare criticism. Each volume is devoted to a theme, or play, or group of plays; each also contains a section of reviews of that year's textual and critical studies and of the year's major British performances. The theme for Volume 67 is 'Shakespeare's Collaborative Work'. The complete set of Survey volumes is also available online at <http://www.cambridge.org/online/shakespearesurvey>. This fully searchable resource enables users to browse by author, essay and volume, search by play, theme and topic, and save and bookmark their results.

There Are No Secrets Peter Brook 2017-09-21 Peter Brook is the most consistently innovative director in Western theatre. In these three essays he returns to the concept of his first book *The Empty Space* and examines what that means for the life of a production. How can a company establish its own "empty space" - a rehearsal and performance environment which will encourage the actors to abandon the security of the hackneyed and release their true creativity? The potency of Brook's writing lies in his ability invest general truths with fresh vigour and to be as simple as he is profound.

*The Routledge Dictionary of Performance and Contemporary Theatre* Patrice Pavis 2016-04-28 The Routledge Dictionary of Contemporary Theatre and Performance provides the first authoritative alphabetical guide to the theatre and performance of the last 30 years. Conceived and written by one of the foremost

scholars and critics of theatre in the world, it literally takes us from Activism to Zapping, analysing everything along the way from Body Art and the Flashmob to Multimedia and the Postdramatic. What we think of as 'performance' and 'drama' has undergone a transformation in recent decades. Similarly how these terms are defined, used and critiqued has also changed, thanks to interventions from a panoply of theorists from Derrida to Ranciere. Patrice Pavis's Dictionary provides an indispensable roadmap for this complex and fascinating terrain; a volume no theatre bookshelf can afford to be without.

*Why Theatre?* Katje de Geest 2020-09-23

*Evoking (and Forgetting) Shakespeare* Peter Brook 2003 Brook's meditation on performing Shakespeare today.

*Rewriting Shakespeare's Plays For and By the Contemporary Stage* Michael Dobson 2017-06-23 Why have contemporary playwrights been obsessed by Shakespeare's plays to such an extent that most of the canon has been rewritten by one rising dramatist or another over the last half century? Among other key figures, Edward Bond, Heiner Müller, Carmelo Bene, Arnold Wesker, Tom Stoppard, Howard Barker, Botho Strauss, Tim Crouch, Bernard Marie Koltès, and Normand Churette have all put their radical originality into the service of adapting four-century-old classics. The resulting works provide food for thought on issues such as Shakespearean role-playing, narrative and structural re-shuffling. Across the world, new writers have questioned the political implications and cultural stakes of repeating Shakespeare with and without a difference, finding inspiration in their own national experiences and in the different ordeals they have undergone. How have our contemporaries carried out their rewritings, and with what aims? Can we still play Hamlet, for instance, as Dieter Lesage asks in his book bearing this title, or do we have to "kill Shakespeare" as Normand Churette implies in a work where his own creative process is detailed? What do these rewritings really share with their sources? Are they meaningful only because of Shakespeare's shadow haunting them? Where do we draw the lines between "interpretation," "adaptation" and "rewriting"? The contributors to this collection of essays examine modern rewritings of Shakespeare from both theoretical and pragmatic standpoints. Key questions include: can a rewriting be meaningful without the reader's or spectator's already knowing Shakespeare? Do modern rewritings supplant Shakespeare's texts or curate them? Does the survival of Shakespeare in the theatrical repertory actually depend on the continued dramatization of our difficult encounters with these potentially obsolete scripts represented by rewriting?

**Shakespeare and the Grace of Words** Valentin Gerlier 2022-05-30 Crossing the boundaries between literature, philosophy and theology, Shakespeare and the Grace of Words pioneers a reading strategy that approaches language as grounded in praise; that is, as affirmation and articulation of the goodness of Being. Offering a metaphysically astute theology of language grounded in the thought of Renaissance theologian Nicholas of Cusa, as well as readings of Shakespeare that instantiate and complement its approach, this book shows that language in

which the divine gift of Being is received, apprehended and expressed, even amidst darkness and despair, is language that can renew our relationship with one another and with the things and beings of the world. Shakespeare and the Grace of Words aims to engage the reader in detailed, performative close readings while exploring the metaphysical and theological contours of Shakespeare's art—as a venture into a poetic illumination of the deep grammar of the real.

Brook, Hall, Ninagawa, Lepage Peter Holland 2013-10-24 Great Shakespeareans offers a systematic account of those figures who have had the greatest influence on the interpretation, understanding and cultural reception of Shakespeare, both nationally and internationally. In this volume, leading scholars assess the contribution of Peter Hall, Peter Brook, Yukio Ninagawa and Robert Lepage to the afterlife and reception of Shakespeare and his plays. Each substantial contribution assesses the double impact of Shakespeare on the figure covered and of the figure on the understanding, interpretation and appreciation of Shakespeare, provide a sketch of their subject's intellectual and professional biography and an account of the wider cultural context, including comparison with other figures or works within the same field.

**Poor Naked Wretches** Stephen Unwin 2022-09-26 Disputing the notion that William Shakespeare scorned the rabble, an illuminating look at the complex working people of his plays. Was Shakespeare a snob? Poor Naked Wretches challenges the idea that one of the greatest writers of the English language despised working people, showing that he portrayed them with as much insight, compassion, and purpose as the rich and powerful. Moreover, working people play an important role in his dramatic method. Stephen Unwin reads Shakespeare anew, exploring the astonishing variety of working people in his plays, as well as the vast range of cultural sources from which they were drawn. Unwin argues that the robust realism of these characters, their independence of mind, and their engagement in the great issues of the day, make them much more than mere comic relief. Compassionate, cogent, and wry, Poor Naked Wretches grants these often-overlooked figures the dignity and respect they deserve.

Reflections From Shakespeare Lena Ashwell 2021-03-30 Originally published in 1926, this title was edited from a series of lectures the author gave to raise money for her theatre group the Lena Ashwell Players. Through her work as a producer the author gained a deeper knowledge of a number of Shakespeare's plays and in order to support her work gave a number of lectures on "Women in Shakespeare". This title was perhaps the first book by a woman of the profession, appealing to the public for a larger and deeper understanding of Shakespeare: the man, his life, and that group of tragedies in which he fathomed Hell, then scaled the Heavens.

**International Immigration, Integration and Sustainability in Small Towns and Villages** Ricard Morén-Alegret 2019-07-19 This book brings small places to the main stage in an exploration of the nature of immigration in rural areas and small towns in Europe. Extending recent efforts to study migration at a sub-

national scale, the authors focus their analysis on non-metropolitan areas to consider how globalisation and modernisation processes are experienced at a local level. Morén-Alegret and Wladyka weave themes of livelihood, social participation, justice and equity into human and planetary sustainability debates, drawing on quantitative population data as well as qualitative information on challenges for rural and small town sustainability in four different European countries (Portugal, France, Spain and England). Highlighting the interlinked relationship between rural sustainability, migration and ethnic diversity, this research is a valuable resource for policy-makers and academics alike, with far-reaching implications across geography, sociology, political science, anthropology and environmental sciences.

**The Quality of Mercy** Peter Brook 2014-09 Unique insights on England's greatest dramatist from one of the world's most influential and admired theatre directors.

The Quality of Mercy Faye Kellerman 2002-02-05 In Elizabethan England, the Queen's court physician, a Spanish Jew posing as an Anglican, is smuggling Jews out of Spain while his daughter, Rebecca, is romanced by playwright William Shakespeare. Reprint.

*Reflections and Meditations* Pearl Bell 2013-10-03 In 2011 Dr. Pearl T. Morgan-Bell received an e-mail with a list of inspirational texts organized alphabetically. From there, the Holy Spirit guided her to write *Reflections and Meditations: An Annual Devotional*. Dr. Bell covers the alphabet fourteen times throughout the year in the devotional, featuring a keyword in the daily Bible text, starting with A and ending with Z. Through this technique, she presents the reader with new topics each day, ranging from last-day events to guidance for parents and children to promises for those struggling with the heartaches of life. Our walk with God should model how children learn their ABCs—one step at a time. *Reflections and Meditations* is an eye-opening and uplifting devotional that will point you toward Heaven and lead you along in your Christian journey.

**Brutus and Other Heroines** Harriet Walter 2016-10-27 'A part we have played is like a person we once met, grew to know, became intimately enmeshed with and finally moved away from. Some of these characters remain friends, others are like ex-lovers with whom we no longer have anything in common. All of them bring something out in us that will never go back in the box.' In a varied and distinguished career, Harriet Walter has played almost all of Shakespeare's heroines, notably Ophelia, Helena, Portia, Viola, Imogen, Lady Macbeth, Beatrice and Cleopatra, mostly for the Royal Shakespeare Company. But where, she asks, does an actress go after playing Cleopatra's magnificent death? Why didn't Shakespeare write more - and more powerful - roles for mature women? For Walter, the solution was to ignore the dictates of centuries of tradition, and to begin playing the mature male characters. Her *Brutus* in an all-female *Julius Caesar* at the Donmar Warehouse was widely acclaimed, and was soon followed by

Henry IV. What, she asks, can an actress bring to these roles - and is there any fundamental difference in the way they must be played? In *Brutus and Other Heroines*, Walter discusses each of these roles - both male and female - from the inside, explaining the particular choices she made in preparing and performing each character. Her extraordinarily perceptive and intimate accounts illuminate each play as a whole, offering a treasure trove of valuable insights for theatregoers, scholars and anyone interested in how the plays work on stage. Aspiring actors, too, will discover the many possibilities open to them in playing these magnificent roles. The book is an exploration of the Shakespearean canon through the eyes of a self-identified 'feminist actor' - but, above all, a remarkable account of an acting career unconstrained by tradition or expectations. It concludes with an affectionate rebuke to her beloved Will: 'I cannot imagine a world without you. I just wish you had put more women at the centre of your world/stage... I would love you to come back and do some rewrites.'

**Great Shakespeareans Set IV** Adrian Poole 2014-09-11 Great Shakespeareans presents a systematic account of those figures who have had the greatest influence on the interpretation, understanding and cultural reception of Shakespeare, both nationally and internationally. This major project offers an unprecedented scholarly analysis of the contribution made by the most important Shakespearean critics, editors, actors and directors as well as novelists, poets, composers, and thinkers from the seventeenth to the twentieth century. An essential resource for students and scholars in Shakespeare studies.

Conversations with Peter Brook: 1970-2000 Margaret Croyden 2010-02-01 An extended conversation with one of the giants of twentieth-century theater.

**The Man Who** Peter Brook 2002 Using Oliver Sacks' neurological study *The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat* as its inspiration, *The Man Who* offers a series of fascinating Doctor/Patient scenarios that examine our attempts to understand the workings of the brain. In turn, these case studies become Brook's starting point in his search for a new theatre form.