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A Note from CSC’s Artistic Director

People often get confused as to what exactly an Artistic Director and a Managing Director do. In the simplest sense, Artistic Directors concern themselves with the art and Managing Directors concern themselves with the business of making art. With the Chesapeake Shakespeare Company, those lines that separate the two get a little blurred. Why? Well, first of all, I don’t think it’s useful to pigeonhole the skills of people in that way. Additionally, just as I would not like to be excluded from the business decisions that our organization makes (because I think I have skills and knowledge that adds to the conversation), I would not want our Managing Director to be separated from creating the art. Therefore, more than most theatrical organizations, Lesley and I cross the divide between art and business.

On occasion, I ask Lesley to “produce” a show in our season. Essentially, she acts as Artistic Director on these productions that she “produces.” Usually, it a show for which she has a particular passion or one that she feels would make a timely impression on our audience. 2016’s Anne of the Thousand Days and 2018’s A Winter’s Tale are the two most recent examples of this. (So, for these productions, Lesley serves as Managing Director and serves many of my functions as Artistic Director. One of these days, she might catch on that she’s doing double work on these and I get some time off, but until that day…).

Lesley thought Measure for Measure might have something specifically to say about the current social dialogue. I think she’s right. Shakespeare’s plays can resonate differently at different times in the history of their being presented. I think this play might do just that. I think it has something to contribute to the modern discourse of sexual politics. I am so glad that we are presenting this play at this particular time.

Lesley and I would like to say thanks for coming to see Measure for Measure. We’re glad you’re here.

/AN

Ian Gallanar, Artistic Director
Sometimes I think I’ve seen more productions of Measure for Measure than any other Shakespeare play. The first was one of those 1980s BBC video productions. I just stumbled on it and I was knocked out, though I was just a teenager, by Isabella’s story and this complex, dramatic play. After that, I took every opportunity to see it—productions outdoors in parks, productions in London or in New York, community theatre productions, productions at Shakespeare’s Globe (with the great Mark Rylance).

And back in 2004, Chesapeake Shakespeare Company did our own workshop production in the black box theatre at the Howard County Center for the Arts, with then and now company members Christopher Niebling (director), Valerie Fenton (producer), Scott Alan Small (the Duke) and…well, me! We did four performances for 217 people and had ticket sales of $2,000—enough to pay our expenses. We’ve sure come a very long way in fifteen years!

No matter where or how it is staged, Measure for Measure is always compelling. Isabella’s voice rings true across the centuries. Angelo’s perfidy is sadly confounding. The Duke’s behavior is perplexing but somehow, you want him to pull off his complicated schemes. And the comic characters’ conniving would fit in just fine in any city street—be it Vienna or Baltimore.

Now that #MeToo has further deepened how seriously we view sexual harassment, Measure for Measure is more topical than ever. People laugh, thinking that I’m joking when I say it’s Shakespeare’s #MeToo play—as if sexual harassment was a recent phenomenon. And what do we do with a story about sexual blackmail that Shakespeare clearly considered a comedy?

I don’t think a play has roused so much passionate discussion with our community since, perhaps, The Merchant of Venice. Either our promotional image was too disturbing or brilliantly distilled. Our intimacy choreographer was on hand for a scene of emotional violence that features almost no physical contact. What do we do when Shakespeare’s heroine is silent at the end…do we interpret her silence as present-day politics practically demands, or do we make room for other perspectives?

Measure for Measure’s mirror up to our natures is different yet again in 2020. I’m eager to hear what you think.

Lesley Malin,  
Managing Director
ISABELLA

Or with an outstretch’d throat I’ll tell the world aloud
What man thou art.

ANGELO

Who will believe thee, Isabel?
My unsoil’d name, the austereness of my life,
My vouch against you, and my place i’ the state,
Will so your accusation overweigh.

—Shakespeare, Measure For Measure

You are just a child ... I am the district attorney of Etowah County, and, if you tell anyone about this, no one will ever believe you.

—Allegedly spoken by Roy Moore, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Alabama to Beverly Young Nelson, when she was 16 years old.

For free speech the legacy of the ancient Greeks has been hugely important. The practice of free speech, the freedom (for men, at least) to speak frankly and critically towards those in power (parrhesia), was essential to Athenian democracy. But unlike our concept of free speech, which tends to revolve around the First Amendment, and whether or not there are grounds for limiting speech, Athenian parrhesia is a right that went hand in hand with a sense of shame, and sensitivity towards how others might see one (what the Greeks called aidsos).

Angelo lacks aidsos when, left in charge of the state by the Duke, he sentences Claudio to death for having sex outside marriage, and then, hypocritically and violently, offers Claudio’s sister, Isabella, a novice nun who has come to plead for her brother’s life, a deal in which he will spare her brother on condition that she has sex with him.

We should note here that the play’s condemnation of Angelo’s behavior shows that it is not true, as is sometimes claimed, that sexual harassment is a recent phenomenon, the result of feminist consciousness-raising. “It was a different era back then” is a favorite excuse of apologists for our pussy-grabbing men in power. Measure for Measure, written in 1603/4, and set in 16th century Vienna, shows this to be an inadequate defense.

This production comes a year after the #MeToo movement went viral in response to the accusations of rape and sexual assault made against Harvey
Weinstein. *Measure for Measure* seems remarkably prescient in light of #MeToo. Angelo blames Isabella for his sexual desire. In the final act of the play, Isabella confronts Angelo in public. Before she does so, he undermines her speech by painting her as mad and unstable: “Her wits... are not firm... And she will speak most bitterly and strange.” Isabella responds: “Most strange, but yet most truly I will speak... That Angelo is an adulterous thief/An hypocrite, a virgin-violator/is it not strange and strange?” When Mariana (previously engaged to be married to Angelo, but deserted by him when her dowry was diminished) corroborates Isabella’s account, Angelo first attacks her reputation, calling her, in so many words, a slut, and then suggests that the two women have been incited to accuse him for political reasons. These are tactics all too familiar to women who have been assaulted.

Isabella and Mariana speak truth to power, but it is not their words that expose Angelo. Instead, it is the actions of the more powerful man, the Duke, who reveals to Angelo how he has schemed to avert his deputy’s crime, and then restores a kind of order by proposing that Angelo marry Mariana, and Isabella marry him. The scheme, referred to by scholars and dramaturges as “the bedtrick,” involved Isabella agreeing to have sex with Angelo, but Mariana, who was betrothed to Angelo, secretly taking her place. As the encounter took place in the dark, Angelo thinks that he has enjoyed a night with Isabella, and Isabella escapes being raped by him. Bedtricks were common in Renaissance drama (though not in the source material for *Measure for Measure*), and Shakespeare also uses the device in his comedy *All’s Well That Ends Well*.

Thinking of the scene as a “bedtrick,” however, encourages us not to think very much about the sexual politics involved. It is too easily dismissed as just a trope, a plot device. Here, as so often, turning to ancient Greek literature can give us a sharpened perspective. According to the storyteller Parthenius, Krateia, the mother
of Periander, the tyrant of Corinth, developed a strong desire for her son. She persuaded him to take a lover, but insisted that the union take place in the dark, and substituted herself for the woman.

As time went on, Periander began to fall in love with his secret lover and one night brought in a lamp to reveal her identity. Horrified by his discovery, he went mad, attempted to kill his mother, and killed many of his citizens. What is disturbing about this tale is not just the incest, but also the violence involved in the deception, and the damage that it causes. This example highlights that the “bedtrick” involves sex through deception, sex without consent. This approach to the “bedtrick” is corroborated by a rare real-life instance of the deception: in 2009 a sleeping California woman woke up and had sex with a man she presumed was her boyfriend, but was in fact a stranger who had sneaked in when he saw her boyfriend leave. The courts found the impersonator guilty of “rape-by-fraud.”

What does it mean for Measure for Measure if we recognize the “bedtrick” as a form of rape? If we understand Angelo to have been raped by Mariana, a rape orchestrated by the Duke, in cahoots with Isabella, then the play’s resolution is darker and more disquieting than is often realized, even by those who view the ending as problematic.

It is perhaps a fitting punishment for Angelo — fitting that the man who thinks that he has committed rape is himself raped — measure for measure — but is it a just one? This raises the larger question of how rapists should be punished. In our society there is wild disagreement about this. Some argue for tougher punishments, while acknowledging that wealthy white men tend to be treated more leniently in the courts than poorer people and people of color. Feminist Germaine Greer, in contrast, has recently argued for the punishment for rape to be lessened — perhaps two hundred hours of community service, she suggests, and an “R” tattoo imposed on the rapist’s hand, arm or cheek.

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Measure for Measure

By William Shakespeare

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Production Manager: Kyle Rudgers+
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Technical Director/Scenic Designer: Dan O’Brien+
Lighting Designer: Katie McCreary +
Costume Designer: Sandra Spence
Sound Designer: Sarah O’Halloran

SETTING:
Vienna, The Present.

CAST (in order of appearance)

DUKE VINCENTIO, the leader of Vienna.................................Ron Heneghan**
ESCALUS, a counselor to the Duke........................................Keith Snipes
ANGELO, the Duke’s deputy....................................................Séamus Miller+
LUCIO, Mistress Overdone’s customer and friend to Claudio........Jonas David Grey*
FROTH, Mistress Overdone’s customer.....................................Fabiolla da Siva
A GENTLEMAN ........................................................................Michael Crowley*
MISTRESS OVERDONE, a brothel owner ................................Anna DiGiovanni†
POMPEY, Mistress Overdone’s pimp and bartender .......................Terrance Fleming*
CLAUDIO, Isabella’s brother ....................................................J. Bradley Bowers
JULIET, Claudio’s fiancée ..........................................................Fabiolla da Silva
PROVOST, an official who oversees the prison ..............................Dawn Thomas Reidy
FRIAR PETER, a monk ...............................................................Michael Crowley*
ISABELLA, a novice nun .........................................................Amanda Forstrom
FRANCISCA, a nun .................................................................Kathryne Daniels+
ELBOW, a police officer ..........................................................Michael Crowley*
JUSTICE ....................................................................................Anna DiGiovanni†
MARIANA, Angelo’s former fiancée .............................................Anna DiGiovanni†
ABHORSON, an executioner ....................................................David Hanauer
BARNARDINE, a condemned prisoner .........................................Kathryne Daniels+
MESSENGER .............................................................................Christopher Bennett
SERVANT TO ANGELO ...............................................................Mercedes Fuller
AIDE TO THE DUKE ...............................................................Christopher Bennett
AN OFFICER .............................................................................Sarah Rodman

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There will be one 15-minute intermission.

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After the performance, actors will be available for pictures.

On the Cover: Amanda Forstrom as Isabella. Photo and design by Brandon W Vernon.
Vienna is teeming with brothels and loose morality, but the Duke fears to use his authority to clean up the city. He departs hurriedly for Poland, leaving his deputy, Angelo, in charge. Angelo is at first reluctant, but he soon starts to make changes.

Changing the law
A young man, Claudio, gets the girl he intends to marry, Juliet, pregnant. Under a forgotten old law that Angelo has just reinstated, Claudio is arrested and sentenced to death. Angelo revives other harsh laws and threatens to demolish all the brothels. Meanwhile, the Duke returns to the city in disguise as a Friar.

Lucio and other patrons of Mistress Overdone’s brothel are shocked to hear of Claudio’s fate. Lucio hurries to Claudio’s sister, Isabella, who is about to become a nun, and she agrees to beg Angelo to spare her brother.

A bargain
Angelo, struck with a sudden passion for Isabella, offers to spare Claudio’s life if Isabella will sleep with Angelo; appalled, she refuses to give up her chastity and endanger her immortal soul. When Isabella visits her brother and explains Angelo’s offer and her refusal, he begs her to submit. The disguised Duke overhears their conversation and afterwards tells Claudio to prepare for certain death. Immediately afterward, he explains to Isabella a plan to save Claudio’s life if they can persuade Angelo’s discarded ex-fiancée, Mariana, to secretly take Isabella’s place, consummating his marriage contract with his unhappy ex. Mariana agrees and Angelo sleeps with Mariana, fooled into thinking she is Isabella.

Meanwhile in prison...
Constable Elbow brings Pompey into the prison for being a pimp. Lucio meets the disguised Duke and pretends that he knows the Duke well, describing him as immoral. The Duke is outraged and determined to get revenge. Mistress Overdone is also imprisoned and discloses that Lucio has made one of her prostitutes pregnant and refused to marry her.

The Provost of the jail receives instructions from Angelo, demanding that Claudio be put to death at once, breaking his bargain with Isabella. Luckily, another prisoner has just died of a fever, and his head is sent to Angelo instead of Claudio’s. The disguised Duke tells Isabella that Claudio has been executed but says she will be able to speak to the Duke personally about Angelo.

Once the Duke’s ‘return’ is announced, Angelo regrets executing Claudio. Isabella publicly denounces Angelo, but the Duke pretends to disbelieve her and has her arrested.

Watch the rest of Act Five to hear what happens next...
Who’s Who

CAST PHOTOS, in alphabetical order

Christopher Bennett  J. Bradley Bowers  Michael Crowley*  Fabiola da Silva

Kathryne Daniels*  Anna DiGiovanni*  Amanda Forstrom  Terrance Fleming*

Mercedes Fuller  Jonas David Grey*  David Hanauer  Ron Heneghan**

Séamus Miller**  Dawn Thomas Reidy  Sarah Rodman  Keith Snipes

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Christopher Bennett (Ensemble) is making his CSC debut. He has been a participant in the CSC Olive Branch and Laurel Crown program and acting ensemble since 2018, and recently performed as Puck and Lysander in the Creative Forces/CSC production of A Midsummer Night’s Dream, and as Fluellen in the Olive Branch and Laurel Crown production of Henry V.

J. Bradley Bowers (Claudio) is making his CSC Debut. Regional credits include Caroline, or Change; Ah Wilderness! (Center Stage); Oliver! and An Enemy of the People (Olney Theatre); and Assassins (Signature Theatre), as well as many other local productions.

Michael Crowley (Elbow / 1st Gentleman/Friar Peter) is an Associate Company Member of CSC, where he previously appeared in Henry IV, Parts 1 & 2; Julius Caesar; and Richard III. Other area credits include Enron (4615 Theatre Company); The Member of the Wedding and The Farnsworth Invention (1st Stage); The Frederick Douglass Project (Solas Nua); Henry IV, Parts 1 & 2 (Shakespeare Theatre Company); and Macbeth (Annapolis Shakespeare Company). Mike is a graduate of the Academy for Classical Acting and the Studio Acting Conservatory.

Fabiolla da Silva (Juliet / Froth) is making her CSC debut. Regional credits include Love’s Labor’s Lost (Folger Shakespeare); Guerrilla Theatre Works: A New Nation and This is All Just Temporary (Convergence Theatre); Junie B. Jones is Not a Crook! and Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp (Adventure Theatre); Blood, Sweat, and Fears: A Grand Guignol Cabaret (Molotov Theatre Group); and The Alchemists of Jerusalem (Mosaic Theatre Company: Kennedy Center Page to Stage Festival). Film credits include Immoral Activity, The Dinner Party, That Engagement Thing, The Importance of Finding the Other, and Autumn’s Room.

Kathryne Daniels (Francisca / Barnardine) is an Associate Company Member and Teaching Artist for CSC. She has appeared with CSC in Dracula; Macbeth; Romeo and Juliet (movable and matinees); Henry IV, Parts 1 & 2; Julius Caesar; and A Christmas Carol. Other credits include Sex with Strangers (Fells Point Corner Theater); Urinetown (Stillpointe Theater); A Midsummer Night’s Dream (Baltimore Shakespeare Factory); and A New Brain, Cloud 9, and Wild Party (Iron Crow Theatre). She holds a BA from Jacksonville State University.

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Anna DiGiovanni (Mistress Overdone / Mariana / Justice) is thrilled to be returning to Chesapeake Shakespeare Company as a Resident Actor this season. Other CSC credits include Romeo and Juliet and She Stoops to Conquer. Other recent DC credits include She Kills Monsters (Rorschach Theatre), Venus in Fur (4615 Theatre), and The Explorers Club (Prologue Theatre). Anna is a proud MFA graduate of the Shakespeare Theatre Company’s Academy for Classical Acting at George Washington University. www.annadigiovanni.com

Amanda Forstorm (Isabella) is making her CSC debut. Off-Broadway credits include Julius Caesar and Color Between the Lines (The Irontale Ensemble). DC-area credits include Junk (Arena Stage); Timon of Athens, Sense and Sensibility, Julius Caesar, and Twelfth Night (Folger Theatre); Tartuffe (Shakespeare Theatre Company); and Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley (Round House Theatre). She has also worked with Constellation Theatre, Keegan Theatre, 1st Stage, Taffety Punk Theatre Company, Arts on the Horizon, Rorschach Theatre, and 4615 Theatre Company. Other regional credits include The Lion in Winter (Cape May Stage) and Hamlet and Cymbeline (Virginia Shakespeare Festival). Film/TV credits include News Around America (host), Newswatch, and Union. www.amandaforstrom.net.

Terrance Fleming (Pompey) is a member of the CSC Resident Acting Company. Originally from Mobile, AL, Terrance graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi with his BFA in performance with an emphasis in acting. Some of Terrance’s previous works includes Dracula and Macbeth (Chesapeake Shakespeare Company).
Company), The Wiz (ArtsCentric Theatre), Hamlet (Baltimore Shakespeare Factory), and Jerusalem (Fells Point Corner Theatre).

Mercedes Fuller (Ensemble) is a freshman acting student at UMBC making her CSC debut. Previous credits include her high school productions as Stella in A Streetcar Named Desire; Tanya in Mamma Mia!; and Friar Lawrence in Romeo and Juliet.

Jonas David Grey (Lucio) is an Associate Member of the CSC Acting Company and was last seen on the CSC stage as the title role in Richard II. Other CSC credits include Panthino and Thurio in Two Gentlemen of Verona; Mr. Bennett in Pride and Prejudice; the Prince in Romeo and Juliet; and Catesby in Richard III. In addition to acting, Jonas teaches Drama at the Odyssey School. He also serves as the school’s Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Faculty Resource.

David Hanauer (Ensemble) is making his mainstage debut with CSC after three years of training and performances with Olive Branch and Laurel Crown—CSC’s military veterans acting ensemble. He has also trained at the Community College of Baltimore County, and recently appeared as Thomas Putnam in The Crucible at Vagabond Players. He has appeared in Kidnapped (pilot), Hustle (series), and Redemption (feature film) by LoveStar Entertainment.

Ron Heneghan (Duke Vincentio), a CSC Resident Acting Company Member, has appeared with CSC in Macbeth; Henry IV, Parts 1 & 2; She Stoops to Conquer; Julius Caesar; Red Velvet; The Taming of the Shrew (2017); Richard III (2012 and 2017); Anne of the Thousand Days (2016); Much Ado About Nothing (2015); Uncle Vanya; and Our Town. Other area credits include Olney Theatre Center, Everyman Theatre, Ford’s Theatre, and Alliance for New Music Theatre. Regional credits include Pennsylvania Shakespeare Festival, Philadelphia Shakespeare Festival, Seattle Repertory Theatre, Empty Space Theatre, Idaho Repertory Theatre, Lyric Stage Company of Boston, Huntington Theatre Company, Merrimack Repertory Theatre, Utah Shakespearean Festival, and PCPA Theatrefest in California. His TV and film credits include Sally Pacholok, Better Living Through Chemistry, VEEP, and House of Cards. Ron holds an MFA from the University of Washington and a BS from the University of Maryland. He is a member of Actors’ Equity Association. Ron is also CSC’s Director of Education.

Séamus Miller (Angelo) is a member of CSC’s Resident Acting Company, having previously appeared in Henry IV, Parts 1 & 2; Red Velvet; Julius Caesar; Romeo and Juliet; Wild Oats; Titus Andronicus; Richard II; The Merry Wives of Windsor; and Hamlet, as well as directing student matinee productions of Romeo and Juliet and Macbeth. Regional stage credits include Folger Theatre, Shakespeare Theatre Company, 1st Stage, Longacre Lea, Arts on the Horizon, Imagination Stage, and others. He holds a BA from Cornell University and an MFA from The Academy for Classical Acting. www.seamusactor.com

Dawn Thomas Reidy (Provost) is making her CSC debut. Area credits include The Few, Romeo and Juliet, Danny Boy, The Lady in the Van, and Candy & Dorothy (Unexpected Stage Company); Phaeton (Taffety Punk Theatre Company); Overruled (Washington Stage Guild); and How the Other Half Loves and The Boys Next Door (Brown County Playhouse). She also works with Shakespeare for the Young and is a teaching artist with Everyman Theatre and Baltimore Shakespeare Factory. Dawn holds a BFA in Acting from UMBC and an MFA for Acting at Indiana University.

Sarah Rodman (Ensemble) appeared in The Road to Bedlam as a member of CSC’s Olive Branch and Laurel Crown acting ensemble in 2019. After working for decades behind the scenes at theaters and arts organizations from coast to coast and abroad—including American Repertory Theater in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Juilliard School at New York City’s Lincoln Center, and Mark Taper Forum in Los Angeles—she is honored to be onstage.
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once again. Sarah is a grandmother as well as a graduate of Bennington College, Harvard University, and the Neighborhood Playhouse.

Keith Snipes (Escalus) has appeared with CSC in A Christmas Carol; Anne of the Thousand Days; Julius Caesar; Romeo and Juliet; and Henry IV, Parts 1 & 2. He is also a lyricist and jazz vocalist. Keith has narrated classic and contemporary works such as Aaron Copeland’s Lincoln Portrait and Henry William Curry’s Eulogy for A Dream. He has been a frequent guest artist with the Durham Symphony Orchestra and has toured with the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra. His original poetry has been performed with symphonies, choral companies, and dance ensembles. A Baltimore native, he has played lead roles in numerous stage productions such as Jitney, The Meeting, A Raisin in the Sun, and Fences.

CREATIVE TEAM

Lise Bruneau (Director) is enjoying herself immensely on her maiden voyage here at CSC. Born in Baltimore, she is a DC actor, coach and director, having appeared at Arena Stage, Shakespeare Theatre, Round House, and most recently in Eureka Day for Mosaic Theater in DC. In the early aughts, she appeared at Baltimore Center Stage in Mrs. Warren’s Profession, Blithe Spirit, Mary Stuart, and others. She has performed at theaters across the country from Boise to Syracuse and many in between, in such shows as The Threepenny Opera, Heartbreak House, and Othello. She appeared in The Cherry Orchard with Diane Lane on Broadway; and last spring was featured in Junk and The Heiress at Arena Stage. As a director, she has helmed productions of MomBabyGod, Savage in Limbo, Hamlet, and 4,000 Miles, among others; but she is often found causing trouble with the wonderful and riotous Taffety Punk Theatre Company, located on the Hill in DC. She has directed the all-female ensemble Riot Grrrls in multiple Shakespeare plays (Tempest, Titus Andronicus, Julius Caesar, Measure for Measure, and Romeo and Juliet), as well as The Devil in His Own Words, Owl Moon, Oxygen, Bloody Poetry, and more. She recently joined the Grrrls onstage as the arch villain Lago. Lise trained at RADA in London.

CJ Arbaugh (Wardrobe Supervisor) is excited to return for another year with CSC after joining for Romeo and Juliet and A Christmas Carol in 2019. They graduated with a degree in theatre design and production from UMBC in 2018.

Alexis E. Davis (Production Stage Manager, CSC Resident Stage Manager, and Production Assistant) See staff bio on page 17.

Jonathan Kollin (Light Board Operator) Jonathan has been CSC’s Light Board Operator going on three years. As a third occupation after retiring from a career in business, he enjoys his job and his part in CSC’s creativity and professionalism.

Michael Lonegro (Dramaturg) See staff bio on page 18.

Katie McCreary (Lighting Designer) as a company member, has designed for CSC’s The Diary of Anne Frank; Henry IV, Parts 1 & 2; Alice in Wonderland; The Winter’s Tale; The Fantasticks; Anne of the Thousand Days; Uncle Vanya; and The Importance of Being Earnest. Other recent and favorite designs include Blight (Pinky Swear Productions); [410]Gone and A Bid to Save the World (Rorschach Theatre, company member); A Midsummer Night’s Dream (WSC/Avant Bard); Leonard Bernstein’s Mass (Peabody Opera Theatre); and Hello, My Name Is… (The Welders). Katie is also Director of Development and Curriculum Development for Educational Theatre Company

Katie Nisbet (Assistant Stage Manager) is thrilled to be working on her eighth production with CSC. During 2019, she served as Deck Manager for A Christmas Carol and the Assistant Stage Manager on Macbeth (moveable), as well as Assistant Stage Manager for the student matinees of Romeo and Juliet and Macbeth. Additional CSC credits include include The Comedy of Errors, The Three Musketeers, and The
Tempest. Katie is a recent graduate from Drew University, majoring in English and Communications with a double minor in Arts Administration and Creative Writing.

Dan O’Brien (Technical Director, Scenic Designer) See staff bio on page 18.

Sarah O’Halloran (Sound Designer) returns to CSC where she previously designed sound and wrote original music for Anne of the Thousand Days. Other theater credits include She the People: The Resistance Continues (The Second City at Woolly Mammoth); E2, The 39 Steps, The Heidi Chronicles, and Things That Are Round (Rep Stage); Labour of Love and Our Town (Olney Theatre Center); Dinner with Friends and Proof (Everyman Theatre); The Brothers Size, Swimming with Whales, Trevor, and When the Rain Stops Falling (1st Stage); Cry it Out (Studio Theatre); Talley’s Folly (Theater J); The Return (Mosaic Theater); and Nat Turner in Jerusalem, What Every Girl Should Know, and Dry Land (Forum Theatre). Sarah holds a Ph.D. in Composition and Computer Technology from the University of Virginia as well as degrees from University College Cork and Queen’s University Belfast.

Cole Owens (Properties Designer) is making their CSC debut. Previously, they served as properties designer for the Levine School of Music production of Matilda. They recently graduated from McDaniel College with specializations in properties and costume design.

Chelsea Pace (Intimacy Coordinator) is a member of SDC and is returning to CSC after her work choreographing the intimacy and violence for Dracula and The Diary of Anne Frank. Chelsea is an Assistant Professor at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County and she choreographs and consults on best practices for staging intimacy for professional and educational theatre and film across the country. She is a co-founder of Theatrical Intimacy Education and President of the Association of Theatre Movement Educators. www.chelseapace.com
Kyle Rudgers (Production Manager) See staff bio on page 18.

Sandra Spence (Costume Designer) is thrilled to be back and working on her fifth show at CSC. Sandy has also designed costumes at NextStop Theatre Company, UMBC, Arkansas Shakespeare Theatre, and Illinois Shakespeare Festival, among others. Her design experience also includes eight years as a fashion designer in Seattle and New York City. She was nominated for a 2019 Helen Hayes award in the Outstanding Costume Design - Helen category. She holds a BFA in Theatre from the University of Utah and an MFA in Costume Design from Illinois State University. www.sandyspence.com

Grace Srinivasan (Music Director and CSC Resident Music Director) has directed the music for many CSC productions including Dracula (2019); She Stoops to Conquer; Henry IV, Parts 1 & 2; A Christmas Carol (2017 and 2018); and A Midsummer Night’s Dream (2018). A soprano who performs a wide-ranging repertoire throughout the region, she has appeared as a soloist in a program of works inspired by Shakespeare’s plays, If Music Be the Food of Love, with CSC artists, the Peabody Baroque Band, and the Peabody Renaissance Ensemble. Grace holds a master’s degree in vocal performance from the Peabody Conservatory and sings professionally at St. Stephen Martyr Church and the National Cathedral. www.gracesrinivasan.com

Ian Gallanar (Artistic Director) In addition to founding the Chesapeake Shakespeare Company in 2002, Ian has worked as a professional actor, director, and writer for more than 150 professional productions. He has directed 40 productions for CSC. Previously, Ian has served as Artistic Director for the National Theatre for Children, Minnesota Shakespeare in the Park, and the Repertory Theater of America. Ian is a proud member of the distinguished National Theatre Conference and the Dramatists Guild of America; a Helen Hayes Tribute Award, Telly Award, and Howie Award (Howard County Arts Council) winner. He is the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, where he is a Member of the College of Fine Arts Advancement Council. He is President of the international Shakespeare Theatre Association, an organization for professional Shakespeare companies around the globe.

Lesley Malin (Managing Director and Measure for Measure Producer) is a founder of the Chesapeake Shakespeare Company, and has served as its Managing Director since 2003. She managed CSC’s building renovation of an 1885 bank into our modern Shakespeare playhouse as well as the associated $6.7 million capital campaign. She has performed in 28 CSC productions and previously in New York. She has, for 20 years, been Vice President of the Board of Trustees of The Lark, a new play development center in New York City, where she earlier was Managing Director. She served for five years on the Executive Committee of the international Shakespeare Theatre Association and organized its annual conference that CSC hosted in Baltimore in 2017. She is a graduate of Washington University in St. Louis, NYU’s Arts Management program, Leadership Howard County, and LEADERship Baltimore (2018).

Elizabeth Berman (Finance Manager and Development Manager) holds a Master of Arts degree in Arts Administration from Goucher College and two bachelor’s degrees from Johns Hopkins University. Liz is a classically trained musician who serves as the Principal Oboist of the Columbia Orchestra. She has been with CSC since 2012.

Pamela Burns (Education Coordinator) has trained students in medical billing, coding, and electronic medicine records. In addition, she has experience as an Accounts Receivables Manager for the University of Maryland, Faculty Physicians in Baltimore, and as a Programmer/Analyst/Trainer and Instructional Designer.
for JHU Health Systems. She co-founded *Freedom Road Productions, Inc*, a concert series presenting music and workshops to audiences of all ages and the Susquehanna Music and Arts Festival. Her new project is *Closer to the Heart Productions*, which plans retreats and workshops.

**Jane Coffey** (Director of Development) is a business development, sales and IT professional who has worked in the banking, staffing, IT, and renewable energy industries, most recently with Microsoft and Clean Choice Energy. Jane has serves on the Board of Trustees for Arts Education Alliance of Maryland (AEMS) since 2017. She served on the Board of Trustees of Chesapeake Shakespeare Company from 2006 to 2015, and for several years was its president. She is an ardent supporter of the arts in Baltimore. Her husband is the professional musician and song writer Arty Hill and her daughter, Josie, is an animation artist-in-training at the Columbus College of Art and Design.

**Alexis E. Davis** (CSC Resident Stage Manager and Production Assistant) was the Stage Manager for CSC’s *Dracula; Henry IV, Parts 1 & 2; She Stoops to Conquer; Alice in Wonderland; Romeo and Juliet* (student matinees: 2016-2019); *Red Velvet*; *A Christmas Carol* (2017 - 2019); *Julius Caesar; The Fantasticks; and Othello*; and Assistant Stage Manager for *A Christmas Carol* (2016). At Single Carrot, she was Stage Manager for *A Beginner’s Guide to Deicide and Drunk Enough to Say I Love You*. With Everyman Theatre she was Assistant Stage Manager for *By the Way, Meet Vera Stark*; stage crew for *TopDog/Underdog*; and Stage Management Intern for *God of Carnage*. She was also a Stage Management intern for *Wild! With Happy!* at Baltimore Center Stage. She holds a bachelor’s degree in Theater Production from McDaniel College.

**Pamela S. Forton** (Senior House Manager) supports the Box Office and coordinates many of the front-of-house and patron services that make audiences feel welcome in our beautiful theater.

**Stephen Gearhart** (Audience Services Manager) has worked at various arts and cultural non-profits over the years, in positions including box office manager at Arena Stage in Washington, DC. He has worked in the Department of Institutional Advancement at the Enoch Pratt Free Library here in Baltimore, and at other theatrical venues, including the Baltimore Opera Company and the Olney Theatre Center. He spent seven years working with wine at the Cellars of McHenry Row before joining Chesapeake Shakespeare Company.

**Ron Heneghan** (Director of Education) oversees education programs for CSC. More than 13,000 students attended performances in the 2018-2019 student matinee program, while the in-school residency, where CSC Teaching Artists embed in English/Language Arts classrooms as a resource for teachers and a learning experience for their students, served more than 2,500 students in Baltimore City, Baltimore, Anne Arundel, and Howard Counties. Ron is a member of the CSC Resident Acting Company and a member of Actors’ Equity Association. He holds an MFA from the University of Washington and a BS from the University of Maryland.

**Kristina Lambdin** (Resident Costume Designer and Business Manager) won the Broadway World Best Costume Design award for her designs for *A Christmas Carol* (2016). Some of her costuming credits with CSC include *Dracula* (2013 and 2019); *The Diary of Anne Frank; She Stoops to Conquer; Alice in Wonderland; Red Velvet; Anne of the Thousand Days; The Fantasticks; Macbeth* (2016); *A Christmas Carol* (2014-2018); *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* (2005, 2011 and 2014); *The Importance of Being Earnest; The Taming of the Shrew* (2006 and 2013); *Romeo and Juliet* (2003, 2012, and student matinees 2015-2019); *A Doll’s House; As You Like It* (Broadway World Best of Baltimore Award); and *The Country Wife*. Broadway World named her as a top artist of the 2007 Baltimore Theatre, and she won the Greater Baltimore Theater Award for *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* (2005). For more than a decade, she served as the Costume
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Supervisor for the Baltimore Opera Company and then Lyric Opera Baltimore.

**Anna Mills Russell** (Director of Marketing and Communications) has worked for over 15 years in the performing arts as an administrator. She held various positions in marketing, communications, and audience development at Round House Theatre, Arena Stage, Virginia Opera, Shakespeare Theatre Company, and Washington National Opera. She holds a Master’s in Arts Administration from Goucher College.

**Russell Laury** (Porter) worked with Southway Builders on the transformation of our landmark building into this beautiful theater before joining the CSC staff.

**Michael Lonegro** (Information Systems Manager and Development Associate) was the lighting designer for CSC’s *Julius Caesar* (2017) and has operated lighting for numerous CSC productions. He is a member of the Resident Technical and Design Company. Before joining CSC in 2014, he studied law at the University of Maryland and comparative literature at the University of Chicago and worked for 10 years as a university press editor. He holds a BA from Yale University, where he also designed lighting for undergraduate and graduate theatre productions.

**Dan O’Brien** (Resident Technical Director and Facilities Manager) is a founding member of CSC. Daniel has performed, designed scenery, lights, and served as Technical Director for many productions (among other jobs too numerous to name). He oversaw the construction of CSC’s theatre in Baltimore and designed the sets and lighting for *Macbeth* (2016); for the inaugural season plays *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* and *Richard II; Romeo and Juliet* (2015-2019); *A Christmas Carol* (2014-2019), and many others.

**Talani Richardson** (Box Office and Group Sales Associate) previously worked as Box Office and House Manager for Baltimore Theatre Project, a non-profit community theatre. She is an art therapy group instructor at Kennedy Krieger’s Center for Child and Family Traumatic Stress.

**Kyle Rudgers** (Resident Production Manager) holds a BA from William and Mary and an MFA in Stage Management from UC San Diego. As a production manager, he has worked at the Atlas Performing Arts Center, the Washington Performing Arts Society, and in a similar capacity at the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. As a stage manager, he has worked at theaters in Boston, Los Angeles, San Diego, and Singapore.

**Gerrad Alex Taylor** (Director of The Studio at CSC) directed *Dracula* (2019); *A Christmas Carol* (2018); and *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* (2018), and co-directed *Henry IV, Part 2* (2019) for CSC. He oversees all programming in The Studio at the Chesapeake Shakespeare Company, which offers classes year-round for area youth and adults. Gerrad also teaches in the theatre departments at UMBC and George Washington University. He holds a BA in Neuroscience from The Johns Hopkins University and an MFA in Performance from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. He is a member of CSC’s Resident Acting Company, and has worked as an actor, director, and educator for theaters and educational institutions across the country including the Great River Shakespeare Festival, Shakespeare Festival St. Louis, Pacific Conservatory Theatre-PCPA, Everyman Theatre, Constellation Theatre Company, Washington Stage Guild, and the Children’s Theatre of Annapolis. He is a member of the Actors’ Equity Association.

**Brandon W Vernon** (Marketing Manager) is an animator, illustrator, and graphic designer who has worked for numerous publications and theaters including the Williamstown Theatre Festival in Massachusetts. He served as the Dramaturg for *Dracula* (2019). He holds an MFA in Visual Communication from Jacksonville State University in Alabama, and a BFA in Traditional Animation from the School of Visual Arts in New York. He has designed for theatre, film, television, and has been a featured artist on MTV.com
Speech, Silence, and Sexual Violence in Measure for Measure
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