A Few Notes

A small remark first. In this production we have accepted Kittredge's position that *Moth* was pronounced *Mote* in Elizabethan times, so that flying creatures and specks of dust in the air were aurally interchangeable.

With a play like this, further notes seem almost pretentious. We chose it because nothing seemed more welcome in midwinter than a midsummer night's dream and because its characters and story offered such a perfect opportunity for our two educational institutions to work together on a project which would be nearly impossible for either of us alone.

Mr. Shakespeare wrote about love at many levels of class, age, and humanity (fairydom?), about chaos' transformation to order through love, about light and dark and the figures who move between them. He wrote well, of course, so we have tried to avoid gimmicks of interpretation, but we have tried to avoid any style which conforms to a set period of history. Love and this play are for all times and all ages, and who among us doesn't yearn for the dreams of a midsummer night?

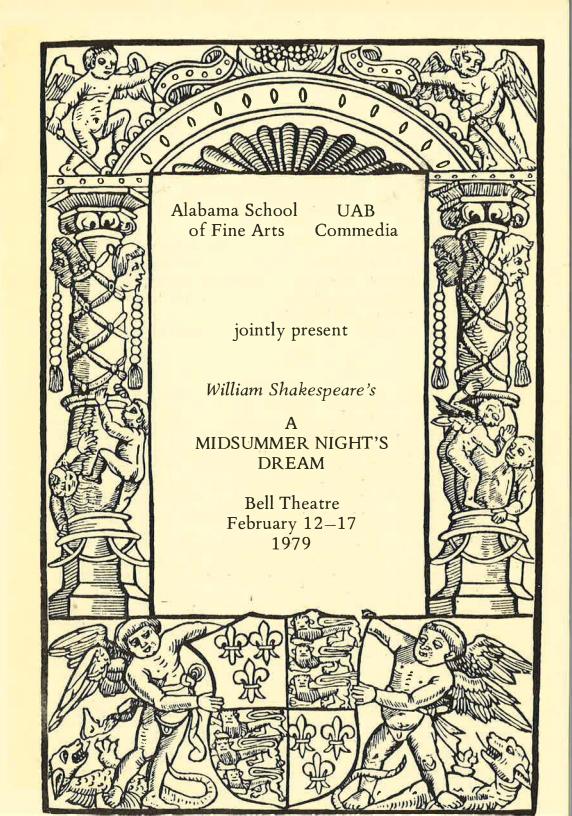
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William Shakespeare's A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Directed by	Ward Haai
Scenography by	Roy H
Costume Design by	Monica M. Wein
Choreography by	Edith I
Performance Coaching	&
Liaison by	John B

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The Cast

eseus, Duke of Athens Ernest Newbern
eus, Father to Hermia Robert Norman
sander, beloved of Hermia Ken McCoy
metrius, suitor to Hermia, approved by Egeus Chip Miller
ilostrate, Mistress of the Revels to Theseus Madeline Gilmer
opolyta, Queen of the Amazons,
betrothed to Theseus Suzanne Whisenant
rmia, daughter to Egeus, in love with Lysander Gayle Williams
lena, in love with Demetrius Lynn Isbell Arthur
eila Quince, a carpenter; Prologue in the interlude . Mary Callahan
ck Bottom, a weaver; Pyramus in the same Ronald A. Brown
ancis Flute, a bellows mender; Thisby in the same Frank Clark
n Snout, a tinker; Wall in the same
ug, a joiner; Lion in the same Deborah Elaine Morgan
bin Starveling, a tailor; Moonshine in the same Sheryl Mallory
prentice to Sheila Quince;
Banner Bearer in the sameKatrin Adams
eron, King of the Fairies Ray Bish
ania, Queen of the Fairies Cheryl Dickey
bin Goodfellow, a Puck Suellen Burton
iry Valencia Stewart
seblossom, a fairy Marion C. Jeffery
bweb, a fairy Jacqueline Crenshaw
stardseed, a fairyGynthia Cadman
th, a fairy Regan Buzzard

Stage Manager Amanda P. Reymann Edward Whitehead Assistant Costume Designer. Anita Jöseph Frank Clark, Diana Davis Lananh Doe, Tami Edwards Betty Houston, Susie Rucker Charlotte Smith Wardrobe Crew Anita Jospeh, Charlotte Smith Ben Clay, Erma Gray Conrad Haden, Mike Hill Susan Hubbard, Ben Lollar Taghi Momazab, David Pelfrey Priscilla Phillips, William Simon Darryl Turner Ben Clay, Mike Hill Anita Jospeh, Ruthie Letteer Frank McCaslin, Jerry Stephens Public Relations Janis Hawk, Tina Horton

Between acts of the Friday evening performance the Birmingham Musica Antiqua will play selections from Henry Purcell's Incidental Music for A Midsummer Night's Dream as a prelude to a workshop on the Renaissance Arts which the Department of Performing Arts will sponsor on February 17 and 18. Information on the workshop, which is available for one credit hour or for non-credit through the Division of Special Studies, is in the lobby. The musicians, who will also conduct parts of the workshop, are:

Marjorie Weinert	violin
Carey and Judy Donaldson r	ecorders
Jack Sharp	bassoon
Gene L. Jarvis har	psichord

The Staff