



Shakespeare, Renaissance, and Early Modern Studies Conference

August 9-11, 2010
Southern Utah University
Utah Shakespearean Festival
Cedar City, Utah, USA

CALL FOR PAPERS

The 2010 Wooden O Symposium will be held in conjunction with the Rocky Mountain Medieval and Renaissance Association (RMMRA) at Southern Utah University in Cedar City, Utah, from August 9-11. The Wooden O Symposium, sponsored by the Utah Shakespearean Festival and Southern Utah University's College of Visual and Performing Arts, the Gerald Sherratt Library, and the Department of English, is a cross-disciplinary conference focusing on the text and performance of Shakespeare's plays. Please note that in support of SUU's mission to promote undergraduate research, the Wooden O Symposium regularly includes at least one undergraduate panel as part of their program.

Conference Priorities

The Wooden O Symposium and RMMRA invite panel and paper proposals on the conference's special topic, "Politics and Performance in the Middle Ages and Renaissance." Additionally, the Wooden O Symposium invites papers on any topic related to Shakespeare and early modern drama, but gives priority to those relating to the Utah Shakespearean Festival's 2010 summer season: *The Merchant of Venice*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *Macbeth*.

Scholars attending the conference will have the unique opportunity of immersing themselves in research, text, and performance in one of the most beautiful natural settings in the western U.S.

Selected papers from the symposium are published in the peer-reviewed *Journal of the Wooden O Symposium*.

Conference co-chairs are Jessica Tvordi, Department of English, Southern Utah University and Michael Don Bahr, Education Director, Utah Shakespearean Festival.

Deadline for proposals is April 1, 2010. Session chairs and individual presenters will be informed of acceptance no later than May 15. 250-word abstracts or session proposals (including individual abstracts) should include the following:

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