

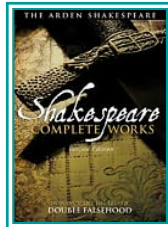
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DAVID SCOTT KASTAN ♦ Monday, February 27

DAVID KASTAN in the first American to serve as a General Editor of *The Arden Shakespeare*, a prestigious collection that has been England's standard-bearer for more than a century. A distinguished professor of English at **YALE UNIVERSITY**, Mr. Kastan has also won plaudits for his teaching at **DARTMOUTH** and **COLUMBIA**. His many publications include *Shakespeare and the Shapes of Time* (1982), *Shakespeare After Theory* (1999), and *Shakespeare and the Book* (2001). Mr. Kastan co-edited *Staging the Renaissance: Essays on Elizabethan and Jacobean Drama* (1991) and *The New History of Early English Drama* (1997), and he is the



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sole editor of *Critical Essays on Shakespeare's "Hamlet"* (1995), *A Companion to Shakespeare* (1999), *The Oxford Encyclopedia of British Literature* (2006), and other volumes. This spring he's overseeing a multifaceted 2012 celebration of "Shakespeare at Yale."

ZOE CALDWELL ♦ Tuesday, February 28

In her latest triumph **ZOE CALDWELL** has been riveting audiences as an icy Upper East Side matron in David Adjmi's *Elective Affinities*. Meanwhile filmgoers have been touched by her role as a warm grandmother in *Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close*, one of this year's Oscar nominees for Best Picture. Long admired for her commanding stage presence, Ms. Caldwell has garnered four Tony Awards, most recently as Maria Callas in Terrence McNally's *Master Class*, and she has worked with such legends as Dame Judith Anderson, Charles Laughton, and Paul Robeson. She has also directed some of the greatest stars in the profession, among



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them James Earl Jones and Christopher Plummer in a memorable Broadway *Othello*. Ms. Caldwell is now writing a sequel to *I Will Be Cleopatra*, a charming memoir about her early years in Australia, and she'll share highlights from her new manuscript.

STACY KEACH ♦ Monday, March 19



STACY KEACH is currently starring in Broadway's *Other Desert Cities*. Best known to many of his television fans as Mickey Spillane detective Mike Hammer, Mr. Keach is also familiar for *Brewster McCLOUD*, *Doc*, *Judge Roy Bean*, *That Championship Season*, *The New Centurians*, and other films. But what he finds most satisfying is the Shakespearean acting he has done in such roles as Falstaff, Henry V, King Lear, Macbeth, and Richard III. Clive Barnes, who observed a number of superb Hamlets during his days as drama critic for the *New York Times*, has said that the best he ever saw "was Keach, whose neurotic passion and



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fierce poetry were quite wonderful." Described by one reviewer as "the finest American classical actor since John Barrymore," Mr. Keach has received a Golden Globe, three Obies, a Helen Hayes, and multiple nominations for Emmy and Tony awards.

Join the Guild, and Greet the Stars

EVENTS IN LONDON, NEW YORK, AND WASHINGTON



If you attended *A SHAKESPEAREAN REVEL AT LINCOLN CENTER* in 2002, you relished actors **John Cleese**, **Kitty Carlisle Hart**, **Dana Ivey**, and **Tony Randall**, writer **Adam Gopnik**, and directors **Bernard Gersten** and **Margot Harley** in a tribute to **KEVIN KLINE** as that year's recipient of the **GIELGUD AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN THE DRAMATIC ARTS**. It was a joyous gala,

but like its 2003 sequel with **LYNN REDGRAVE** as laureate and her brother **Corin** and her sister **Vanessa** as presenters at the **NATIONAL ARTS CLUB**, it was also substantive. In this respect it echoed a 1999 gala at Broadway's **BARRYMORE**



THEATRE, where **Zoe Caldwell**, who'd received a 1998 **GIELGUD** at the **FOLGER SHAKESPEARE LIBRARY**, led a cavalcade of notables – actors **Keith Baxter**, **Brian Bedford**, **Hal Holbrook**, **Ronald Pickup**, **Christopher Plummer**, and **Toby Stephens**, dramatist **Sir David Hare**, director **Sir Richard Eyre**, *Masterpiece Theatre* producer **Rebecca Eaton**, and host **Robert MacNeil** – in a tribute to **DAME JUDI DENCH**. A few months later **Dame Judi** and another



GIELGUD honoree, **Sir Derek Jacobi**, helped preside over a 2000 presentation to actor, director, and filmmaker **KENNETH BRANAGH** in London's historic **MIDDLE TEMPLE HALL**. This Bardic **SALUTE TO "THE MAN OF**

THE MILLENNIUM" featured remarks by U.S. Ambassador **Philip Lader**, composer **Patrick Doyle**, and actors **Samantha Bond**, **Richard Briers**, **Helena Bonham Carter**, **Richard Clifford**, **Ben Elton**, **Stephen Fry**, **Bob Hoskins**, **Geraldine McEwan**, and **Timothy Spall**.

On April 19, 2004, in the London theatre that had been renamed for Sir John in 1994, shortly after the **SHAKESPEARE GUILD** unveiled a **John Safer** trophy to preserve the actor's legacy "with golden quill" (Sonnet 85), the **GUILD** collaborated with the **ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY** and the **ROYAL ACADEMY OF DRAMATIC ART** to celebrate the centenary of Sir John's birth. During a gala hosted by the **BBC's Ned Sherrin**, playwrights **Alan Bennett** and **Sir David Hare**, director **Sir Peter Hall**, and performers **Dame Judi Dench**, **Clive Francis**, **Rosemary Harris**, **Martin Jarvis**, **Barbara Jefford**, **Barbara Leigh-Hunt**, **Sir Ian McKellen**, **Michael Pennington**, **Ian Richardson**, **Paul Scofield**, and **Sir Donald Sinden** recalled their departed friend. On June 12, 2006, the **GUILD** returned to the **NATIONAL ARTS CLUB** for a salute to **CHRISTOPHER PLUMMER**, who was toasted by **Julie Andrews**, **Zoe Caldwell**, **Clive Francis**, **NAC President Aldon James**, **Robert MacNeil**, **Audra McDonald**, and **Lynn Redgrave**. A few months later, on May 21, 2007, the **GUILD** joined the **ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION** at Washington's **BRITISH EMBASSY** for a reception at which **Sir David and Lady Manning**, **Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg**, actors **Helen Carey** and **Ted van Griethuysen**, and others feted **MICHAEL KAHN**, artistic director of the **SHAKESPEARE THEATRE COMPANY**, for his service to the Nation's Capital. On March 10, 2008, Sir David's successor, **Sir Nigel Sheinwald**, joined actors **F. Murray Abraham**, **Kate Fleetwood**, **Whoopi Goldberg**, **Joel Grey**, and **Daniel Stewart**, pianist **Emanuel Ax**, director **David Jones**, and producer **Robert Halmi Jr.** at the **NAC** for a **GIELGUD** toast to **PATRICK STEWART**. On September 20, 2010, actors **Tom Hulce** and **Jerry Stiller**, producers **Robert Brustein**, **Fred Kaufman**, **Brian Kulick**, **Renzo Martinelli**, **Julian Schlossberg**, critic **James Shapiro**, and others at the **NAC** saluted **F. MURRAY ABRAHAM**.

In recent years, through events in locales such as the **NATIONAL PRESS CLUB** in D.C., the **CHICAGO SHAKESPEARE THEATER** in Illinois, and the **ALGONQUIN HOTEL** in New York, **GUILD** attendees have chatted with actors **Jane Alexander**, **Simon Russell Beale**, **Richard Easton**, **Henry Goodman**, **Bill Irwin**, **Roger Rees**, **Prunella Scales**, **Janet Suzman**, **Timothy West**, and **Michael York**, directors **Peter Brook** and **Robert Whitehead**, media leaders **Cokie Roberts**, **Susan Stamberg**, and **Linda Wertheimer**, and writers **Edward Albee**, **E. R. Braithwaite**, **Sir Harold Evans**, **Flora Fraser**, **Michael Frayn**, **Stephen Greenblatt**, **Anthony Hecht**, **Ken Ludwig**, **Judith Martin**, **Peter Shaffer**, **James Shapiro**, **Jesse Sheidlower**, **Deborah Tannen**, and **Garry Wills**. **GUILD** constituents enjoy member prices at all **SPEAKING** engagements. In addition, those who affiliate as **SUBSCRIBERS** receive 15% discounts on tickets for our annual **GIELGUD** gala. **CONTRIBUTORS** enjoy 20% discounts, **DONORS** 25%, and **BENEFACTORS** 30%. **PATRONS** receive 4 prime tickets free, and 35% reductions on further tickets. **SUSTAINERS** receive 10 prime tickets free and 40% discounts on further tickets. Any payments not offset by benefits claimed are fully tax-deductible.

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