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**Combine a visit to Shakespeare's Globe Exhibition and Theatre Tour during the
2010 Theatre Season
23 April – 3 October 2010**

Audiences can enhance their experience of watching Shakespeare's Globe's 2010 Theatre Season this summer by visiting Shakespeare's Globe Exhibition and Theatre Tour. Visitors who have a valid ticket for a 2010 theatre production, which includes Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, *Henry VIII*, *Henry IV Parts 1 and 2* and *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, will receive £2 off entry to the exhibition between 23 April – 3 October. The exhibition will also regularly organise activity weekends throughout the summer where a host of family sessions and demonstrations will be included in the price of an exhibition ticket.

Activity weekends include **storytelling** sessions with one of the exhibition's expert storytellers, live **sword fighting** demonstrations which bring to life Elizabethan stage combat, and **Elizabethan dressing** which uses clothes from the Globe Theatre wardrobe to explain the intricacies of dressing and the significance of clothing to Elizabethan society. **Printing demonstrations** will be available using a full-size recreation of a 17th Century printing press, and visitors can explore the traditional crafts employed in the construction of the current Globe theatre such as **Green Woodworking**, demonstrated by an expert exhibition guide.

When there are no theatre performances, entry to the exhibition includes a 40 minute tour of the Globe. During matinee performances, guided tours will visit the archaeological site of the Rose Theatre, built in 1587 on Bankside. Discovered in 1989 The Rose is the only Elizabethan theatre that has been excavated on a large scale, providing the Globe reconstruction project with valuable information about how Elizabethan theatres were designed.

The 2010 Theatre Season entitled 'Kings and Rogues' will open on Shakespeare's birthday, Friday 23 April. The plays will include *Macbeth*, *Henry VIII*, *Henry IV Parts 1 and 2* as well as a revival of *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. There will also be two new plays – *Anne Boleyn* by Howard Brenton, and *Bedlam* by Nell Leyshon. The exhibition is an engaging introduction to the life of Shakespeare and explores the history of this unique theatrical space.

Listings Information

Shakespeare's Globe Exhibition and Theatre Tour 23 April – 03 October

Venue: Shakespeare's Globe Exhibition and Theatre Tour, SE1

Time: 09.00 – 18.00

Shakespeare's Globe Theatre Tours: Monday 09.00 – 17.00, Tuesday to Saturday 09.00 – 12.30, Sunday 09.00 – 11.30

Rose Theatre Tours: Tuesday to Sunday 13.00 – 17.30, Sunday 12.00 – 17.30

Activity Weekends: May 8-9, June 12-13, July 10-11, Aug 14-15, Sept 11-12, Oct 9-10.

Tickets:

Shakespeare's Globe Exhibition and Globe Theatre Tours: Adults £10.50; Children (aged 5 – 15) £6.50; Students (with valid ID) £8.50; Family (up to 2 adults and 3 children) £28.

Shakespeare's Globe Exhibition and Rose Theatre Tours: Adults £7.50; Children (aged 5 – 15) £4.50; Students (with valid ID) £6.50; Family (up to 2 adults and 3 children) £20.

For further information call 020 7902 1500

£2 off gate entry to Shakespeare's Globe Exhibition and Theatre Tour if you present a valid ticket for any of the 2010 Theatre Season productions (one discount per ticket, not valid in conjunction with any other offer)

Shakespeare's Globe Theatre Season 2010 23 April – 03 October 2010

Venue: Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, SE1

Tickets: 700 x £5 tickets for every performance (standing) £15 - £35 (Seated)

To book telephone the Box Office on 020 7401 9919 / 020 7087 7398

Or book online www.shakespeares-globe.org

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Notes to Editors:

- **Shakespeare's Globe Theatre** The 2010 Theatre Season is entitled 'Kings and Rogues', and includes *Macbeth*, *Henry VIII*, *Henry IV Parts 1 and 2*, *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, *Anne Boleyn* by Howard Brenton and *Bedlam* by Nell Leyshon. Two small-scale tours of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *The Comedy of Errors* will visit venues across UK and Europe between April and September. Box office: 020 7401 9919 or online at www.shakespeares-globe.org.
- **Shakespeare's Globe on film** - Three productions from Shakespeare's Globe's 2009 theatre season will be screened in cinemas and available on DVD and Blu-ray this spring and summer, as part of its new partnership with Opus Arte. For more information visit www.shakespeares-globe.org/onfilm.
- **Globe Education** presents a programme of workshops, lectures, events and staged readings all year round. For general enquires about Globe Education please call 020 7902 1430 or visit www.globe-education.org.
- **Shakespeare's Globe Shop** stocks a variety of products, including season specific merchandise. Items can be bought at the on-site shop or on-line at www.globe-shop.com.
- **The Shakespeare Globe Trust** is a registered charity No.266916. The Globe receives no public subsidy.