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**Asolo Rep to Host Special One-Night-Only Screening of the  
Academy Award®-winning Film *Shakespeare in Love*  
on Monday, December 4**

**WHAT:**

In celebration of its upcoming production of the stunning new stage adaptation of ***SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE***, Asolo Rep will host a special one-night-only screening of the original Academy Award-winning romantic comedy in the Mertz Theatre on **Monday, December 4 at 6:30pm**. Abounding with wit and charm, Marc Norman and Tom Stoppard's sweeping film stars Gwyneth Paltrow, who garnered an Oscar® for the role of Viola, Joseph Fiennes, and Dame Judi Dench. ***SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE*** presents an imagined tale of Will Shakespeare, his greatest muse, and the extraordinary romance that inspired one of the world's most enduring love stories.

Produced by Disney Theatrical Productions and Sonia Friedman Productions and adapted by Lee Hall, Asolo Rep's stage production of ***SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE*** runs January 10 - March 28.

**WHEN:**

Monday, December 4 at 6:30pm

**WHERE:**

Asolo Repertory Theatre  
Mertz Theatre  
5555 N. Tamiami Trail  
Sarasota, Florida 34243

**HOW:**

Tickets are \$5 and seating is reserved. Tickets are available by visiting the box office, located in the lobby of the theatre, calling 941.351.8000 or online at [www.asolorep.org](http://www.asolorep.org). ***SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE*** is 2 hours and 3 minutes and rated PG-13.

**SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE**

**Movie Screening**

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**ABOUT SHAKESPEARE IN LOVE AT ASOLO REP**

**January 10–March 28**

**Adapted for the stage by Lee Hall**

**Based on the screenplay by Marc Norman and Tom Stoppard**

**Directed by Rachel Rockwell**

Tom Stoppard and Marc Norman's brilliant seven-time Academy Award-winning film, including Best Picture bursts to life on the Asolo Rep stage. Promising young playwright Will Shakespeare is tormented by writer's block while two competing theatre managers are demanding new comedies replete with romance, adventure and maybe a funny bit with a dog. To his rescue comes the beautiful and vibrant Viola, Will's greatest admirer and the inspiration he's been longing for. But Viola has a secret and Will finds himself star cross'd. This sweeping romantic comedy is a love letter to the arts, as Viola proclaims: "I will have poetry in my life. And adventure. And love. Love above all."

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