

OTHELLO

by William Shakespeare

CAST

Roderigo Gerard Logan Iago David Suchet Brabantio Joseph O'Conor Othello Ben Kingsley Tom Mannion Cassio Duke Trevor Martin Lodovico Roger Llewellyn Gratiano Paul Webster Keith Osborn Sailor Messenger Richard Conway Desdemona Niamh Cusack Montano **Brian Horstead** First Gentleman John Nolan Second Gentleman Keith Osborn Third Gentleman Max Gold Fourth Gentleman Russell Boulter Herald Richard Conway Clown Arnold Yarrow Musician John Nolan Emilia Janet Dale Bianca Penny Ryder

MUSICIANS

Christopher Lacey flute; Victor Slaymark bass clarinet;
Roderick Tearle trumpet; Peter Wright trumpet; Tony McVey drums;
Timothy Higgs keyboard.

Directed by Terry Hands
Designed by Ralph Koltai
Costumes designed by Alexander Reid
Music by Nigel Hess
Lighting by Terry Hands with Clive Morris
Fights by Ian McKay
Sound by John A Leonard and Paul Slocombe
Company voice work by Cicely Berry and David Carey
Assistant Director Roger Michell
Music Director Timothy Higgs
Design Assistants Mark Bailey and Jill Jowett
Stage Manager Rachael Whitteridge
Deputy Stage Manager Alison Owen
Assistant Stage Manager Alastair John-Duncan

The performance is approximately 3 hours in length including one interval of 15 minutes.

First performance of this production: Royal Shakespeare Theatre, Stratford-upon-Avon, 19 September 1985 Barbican Theatre, London, 2 January 1986.

Please do not smoke or use cameras or tape recorders in the auditorium. And please remember that noise such as whispering, coughing and rustling of programmes and the bleeping of digital watches can be distracting to performers and also spoil the performance for other members of the audience.

In accordance with the requirements of the Greater London Council, persons shall not be permitted to stand or sit in any of the gangways. The safety curtain must be lowered and raised in the presence of each audience.

The sculptured safety curtain and the foyer light sculpture were designed by Michael J. Santry.

This is a free cast list.

There is a 32-page programme available from the attendants. It contains critical viewpoints on the play, production photographs, a plot synopsis, information on sources, actors' biographies and other editorial material on this production. Price 70p.

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