

Full Circle Players

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Full Circle Players Announces Diverse and Inclusive Cast for Shakespeare's HAMLET

Riverside, CA – Full Circle Players (FCP) presents William Shakespeare's *Hamlet* from Thursday, Oct. 6 through Sunday, Oct. 16 at The Box Riverside. As part of FCP's dedication to inclusion and diversity, casting for all performances have always been based on talent with an eye toward equity and making theatre a place for everyone. FCP's cast for *Hamlet* includes Jared Sandoval as Hamlet, Jay K. Weldon as Claudius, and Janette Valenzano as Horatio. "Full Circle Players is committed to equity, diversity and inclusion from our audition room through the rehearsal process," says director Wendi Johnson, "We are thankful to be able to perform *Hamlet* with a brilliant diverse cast, creating a rich and vibrant retelling of Shakespeare's masterpiece."

With a run time of 2 hours and 30 minutes, the FCP production of *Hamlet* premieres on Oct. 6 with a variety of ticket and showtime options, including FCP's Pay-What-You-Can First Thursday on opening night. FCP's "Warm Welcome" program offers up to four tickets at \$5 each when a patron shows their EBT card at the door. Student and military discount tickets are \$10. General admission ranges from \$18 to \$25. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 6; at 7:30 p.m. on

Oct. 7-8, 14-15; and at 1:30 p.m. on Oct. 9 and 16. Tickets are now available and can be purchased at FullCirclePlayers.com.

Set in the kingdom of Denmark, the play's hero, Prince Hamlet, is compelled to exact revenge on his Uncle Claudius for both the murder of his father, King Hamlet, and his uncle's subsequent succession to the throne and marriage to Gertrude, Hamlet's mother.

FULL CAST:

Hamlet: Jared Sandoval

Claudius: Jay k. Weldon

Gertrude: Rebecca Reber

Horatio: Janette Valenzano

Polonius: Jeremy Schaeg

Laertes: Jackson Nagata

Ophelia: Samantha Rose

Rosencrantz/ grave digger: Macy Weinfurter

Guildenstern/ grave digger: Jeremy Mercado

The Ghost of Hamlet's Father/ player king: Pierre van der Westhuizen

Osric/ player queen: Teri Pope

Marcellus/ player: Matthew Johnson

For more information go to our website www.fullcircleplayers.com or email fullcircleplayers1@gmail.com.

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(Editor's note: To download promotional photographs for FCP's run of Hamlet, [click here](#).)



Theatre for All: Full Circle Players has a vision centered on inspiration, collaboration, and creation from artist to audience. We are committed to equity, diversity, and inclusion in our work as we strive to create world class theatre in Riverside, California, and the world. We bring the best possible version of ourselves to our work, holding ourselves to high artistic, professional, and personal standards. Anchored by an inspired company creating exceptional art, we will be guided by thoughtful resources, stewardship, and a deep commitment to education and audience engagement.

