

# ELIZABETHAN NIGHT

Friday, 22nd April  
18.30- 22.00

## WHAT ARE WE CELEBRATING?

Come along to this special evening as the rooms of our school become the stage for exploring Elizabethan England and its most famous playwright and poet, William Shakespeare. Congratulate him on his birthday and celebrate him on the 400th anniversary of his death (both on the 23rd April) by enjoying his words and legacy.

Immerse yourself in the atmosphere and the courtly rituals of that time. Dine with us, dance with us, play with us, explore with us and most of all...have fun with us!

**AULA MAGNA**  
18.30-19.30

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Welcome and introduction to the evening by Prof. Valerie Fehlbaum.  
Enjoy a first taste of the Elizabethan atmosphere with songs, English Renaissance dances and a few surprise performances.

**AULA MAGNA**  
20.00- 20.45

## DANCES

Come along and dance with us!  
We will teach you an easy form of courtly dance so that you can immediately enjoy the feeling of being a guest at the court of Elizabeth I.  
We also have a special musical treat by our violinist.

**CORRIDOR LEFT WING**  
19.30- ongoing

## BANQUET

Come and dine with us. Get the true Elizabethan taste with some of the special dishes prepared by our students and colleagues.

## ELIZABETHAN LIFE WORKSHOPS

Learn more about the eating habits of the Elizabethans and be ready to use all your senses to explore food "interactively".

**AULA 1**  
19.45-20.15 / 20.45-21.15

## POETRY AND MUSIC

A feast for your ears: follow our guitarists on a musical journey and enjoy the words of the Bard read and explained by Mr. Sandro Battaglia.

20.15- 20.45/ 21.15- 21.45

## ELIZABETHAN LIFE WORKSHOPS

Learn about Elizabethan architecture, travel and lodging and about crime and punishment.

Where and how would you live as a time traveller in Shakespeare's England?

## **AULA 2**

**19.45-20.15 / 20.45- 21.15**

### **PERFORMANCES**

Comedy and tragedy are never very far from each other, especially here, where you have the opportunity to watch:

- a scene from "A Midsummer Night's Dream"
- a performance where "Hamlet" meets Chekhov's "The Seagull".

All accompanied by some period guitar music.

## **AULA 4**

**20.00- 20.20/ 21.15- 21.30**

### **PERFORMANCES**

- "To his Mistress Going to Bed"

Learn about Elizabethan fashion by enjoying an intimate performance of John Donne's poem "Elegy 19 To his Mistress Going to Bed"

- Enjoy some more guitars creating a typical Elizabethan atmosphere

**19.30-20.00/ 20.20-21.00**

### **ELIZABETHAN LIFE WORKSHOPS**

Learn about

- Elizabethan fashion, beauty, cosmetics, medicine
- Beliefs, religion and superstitions of that time

It will be your occasion to see yourself in an Elizabethan garment and to take a souvenir

photo of your time travel.

Also learn more about the mysterious beliefs of the Elizabethan and if you had any chance of survival in such an era full of superstitions!

## **AULA 5**

**20.15-20.45/ 21.15-21.45**

### **ELIZABETHAN LIFE WORKSHOPS**

Learn about Shakespeare's language and Elizabethan free time and entertainment.

Discover the art of calligraphy and take home a little souvenir written by...you!

Queen Elizabeth loved playing cards. What about you? Try your hand at some card, dice and board games of that period.

## **SURPRISE LOCATIONS**

**19.30- ongoing**

### **PERFORMANCES**

Encounter actors reading and playing some of the best loved passages out of "Romeo and Juliet" in surprising places throughout the corridors.

Interact with the performers and be ready to follow them (literally) on their adventures!

**20.00 / 21.00**

Romeo and Juliet's famous balcony scene close to the main staircase.

## **OUTSIDE (in case of bad weather: corridor right wing)**

**20.15- 20.45 / 21.15- 21.45**

### **PERFORMANCES**

Watch an exciting fencing duel and hold your breath during one of the most intense scenes from "Romeo and Juliet". Warning: not recommended for the weak of heart!

**19.30-20.15/ 20.45-21.15**

### **GAMES**

All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy... Come along and try out some of the favourite outdoor games of the Elizabethans. Allow yourself to be a child again...even if just for an evening.