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Dear Friend,

After four years of working to create an imaginative and inclusive vision for Door Shakespeare, I look forward to the coming year with a deep sense of gratitude. Gratitude for the wide array of artists, students, volunteers, patrons, and generous donors, that have invested their time, talent and funds in Door Shakespeare. Gratitude for the record number of students who attended our Doorways children's theater program this year. Gratitude for the audience and critics who praised the Door Shakespeare experience. Families are growing up with Door Shakespeare and I couldn't be more grateful and proud of that fact.

Now, I look ahead to providing this audience with theater that involves spectacular storytelling, genuine humanity, and inspired adventure. Each year I ask myself what stories can best be told in the unique natural setting of the Garden at Björklunden? What can we do that can't be done anywhere else? So, it is with great excitement that I announce our 2017 season will feature **Twelfth Night** by William Shakespeare, as well as the Midwest premiere of **The Heart of Robin Hood**, written by David Farr. This new, adventurous tale will complement our work with the Bard and ensure there is something for everyone in this season. As always, these productions will be enriched by the welcoming educational experiences that are available free to the public.

Today, I ask you to invest in Door Shakespeare. Invest in the impact and integrity of live, classical theater. Invest in the work and skill it takes our staff and artists to create exciting experiences for patrons of all ages and backgrounds. Our achievement depends so much on contributions from supporters like you. Together, we can continue to give Shakespeare life in Door County and tell stories that connect our audience and spark our imaginations. Thank you in advance for your contribution to Door Shakespeare's annual fund. We are excited to put your gift to work in 2017!

With Gratitude-  
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