



# ★ DOOR SHAKESPEARE

**Michael Stebbins**  
Producing Artistic  
Director

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Dear Friends and Fans of Door Shakespeare,

2017 was truly an exceptional season for Door Shakespeare. The talent of our directors, actors, and musicians plus the dedication of our staff and volunteers delighted audiences night after night. Our productions of *Twelfth Night* and *The Heart of Robin Hood* were critically acclaimed and highly praised for their clarity, energy and wit. We welcomed more than eighty children to our Doorways Summer Camp programs, where they worked with members of the cast to learn and present scenes from several of the Bard's most popular plays. **All of this was made possible by your generosity as our patrons and donors!**

2018 begins a new era for our theater. After five years at the helm, Amy Ludwigsen has left the company to pursue other career interests. **The Door Shakespeare Board is excited to announce the appointment of Michael Stebbins as our new Producing Artistic Director.** Michael draws upon twenty years work as an actor, producer, artistic director and innovator to create theater experiences that are sure to engage us all. He earned his Master's of Fine Arts degree in theater performance at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and is a long-standing member of the Actors' Equity Association. In 2009, while serving as Producing Artistic Director at Rep Stage in Columbia, Maryland, Michael received a Helen Hayes Tribute Award, which recognized artistic directors in the Washington, D.C. region.

Today, we are asking you to join Michael and our Board of Directors to maintain the vitality and ensure the future of this treasure we call Door Shakespeare. **The Board has established a challenge grant for our year-end fundraising campaign: every dollar you donate through January 31 will be matched by our Board! Give now, and we'll double your gift!**

I know that you believe in our magical theater in the Garden at Bjorklunden, where audiences and artists so easily connect. I urge you to put your beliefs into action by making a generous contribution! **Together, let's renew our partnership as we launch the next chapter of Door Shakespeare's history. For your wonderful support, WE APPLAUD YOU!**

With appreciation and many thanks,

Sam Perlman  
Board Chair, Door Shakespeare

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