

Staged Reading of Shakespeare's - February 19, 2015
7PM

A WINTER'S TALE

Directed by Michele Delattre

After Hours, Mill Valley Library 2015

Cast featuring:

Alan Coyne: Archidamus, Lady 1 puppet, Autolycus

David Naughton: Officer, Florizel

Derek Jepsen: Rogero, Bohemian shepherd at festival

Doyle Ott: Lady 1 puppet, Shepherd's son

Emily Ludlow: prince puppet, Perdita

Emily Stone: Dion, Dorcaar

GreyWolf: Cleomenes, Shepherd

Heather Cherry: Hermione, Bear, Bohemian shepherdess at festival

MaryAnn Rodgers: Paulina, Bohemian shepherdess at festival

Melissa Claire: First Gentlewoman, Mopsa

Norman Macleod: Antigonus, Bohemian shepherd at festival

Paul Abbot: Camillo

Stanley Spenger: Leontes

Steve Beecroft: Polixenes

Victoria Siegel: Emilia, Time

Band: Hal Hughes, Don Clark, Michele Delattre, Alice Montgomery

Once upon a time, a terrible winter falls over the kingdom of Sicilia. It takes the form of an irrational storm of jealousy that possesses the king Leontes just as he anticipates the birth of his child. The king sets out to destroy everyone closest to him - boyhood companion, court advisor, and finally his wife and newborn daughter. Emerging too late from his fit of madness, Leontes and his kingdom are frozen with remorse for sixteen years. Out of this long winter Shakespeare conjures the miracle of spring. It begins with his famous stage direction, "Exit pursued by bear," and turns on a shepherd's subsequent observation, "Thou metst with things dying; I with things new-born." The play's festive brew of realistic psychology, melodrama, fairy tale, rustic comedy, music and dance conjures the miracle of spring. Join us for a staged reading of Shakespeare's late romance to experience the power of imagination and amazement to "awake your faith" in the impossible.