



Classic Chic Productions Presents

The Winter's Tale
By William Shakespeare

**July 26th – Aug. 9th, PAL Studio Theatre
Vancouver, BC
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***Classic Chic**, an all-female ensemble dedicated to performing the classics.
Cause why should the boys have all the fun?*

Dear friend of Shakespeare and the arts,

Classic Chic Productions is founded on the notion that there are great roles in the theatre (both male and female) that appeal to us as actors and human beings. We are creating a forum for women to explore these possibilities. We also strive to provide a supportive environment for women to continue to develop their acting, designing and directing skills. We are based in the beautiful city of Vancouver, BC, Canada.

We are bringing international theatre artist Lisa Wolpe, Artistic Director, Los Angeles Women's Shakespeare Company, to Vancouver to direct our inaugural production of **The Winter's Tale** by William Shakespeare.

Lisa Wolpe Director's Notes:

"It is required you do awake your faith" says Paulina in *The Winter's Tale*, perhaps William Shakespeare's most romantic tale. It is the moment before a magical transformation that reveals the great work of Time, and takes the play to a deeply spiritual level.

The Winter's Tale offers a punch in the gut as it delivers the tales of the suffering and rebirth of it's women, but ultimately this is a sacred story of a triumphant emergence from darkness into light. Princess Perdita, "the lost one", is found, awakens the Queen with her presence, and the world celebrates the return of the Divine Feminine to the Throne. Time reunites two divided kingdoms and brings Peace.

The Winter's Tale offers beautifully defined, strong, classic roles for women in *Hermione*, *Paulina*, and *Perdita*, but *Classic Chic* is also opening up fascinating opportunities for women to play everything from Clowns to Kings. This play features some of the greatest male characters ever written – the tyrant *King Leontes*, the seductive *King Polixenes*, the tortured *Antigonus*, the loyal *Camillo*, the hopeful *Prince Florizel*, the delightful villain with a deft sleight of hand and a song-and-dance, *Autolycus*. To hear such a magical story played by an all-female cast is a rare and beautiful transformational experience.

I am proud to be a part of this international collaboration that brings women's voices onstage and into the world. I have faith that this endeavor will prove worthy and beautiful and strong.

Classic Chic Productions includes a large and visionary group of female actors and designers who will spend epic amounts of quality Time together, exploring this romantic fairy tale. With Time we hope we will create the stunning production that Shakespeare's stunning text requires – packed with songs, swordplay, comedy, tragedy, dance, and classic romance!

Thank you for joining us in this amazing adventure! Your support makes all the difference!

Lisa Wolpe, Director, *The Winter's Tale*

If you find it in your heart to donate to our exciting production of **The Winter's Tale**, we humbly offer the following recognition in return...

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\$1000 donation: Full page ad in our program, company logo on our website, a thank you in our curtain speech before every show, our eternal gratitude, 8 tickets to The Winter's Tale opening night gala.

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Corina Akeson as Leontes and Alexis Kellum-Creer as Hermione in *The Winter's Tale*

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