



## Wisdom in Shakespeare Evening

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### *Exploring the Wisdom in 'The Tempest'*

26 January 2017, 19:30-22:00

led by Peter Dawkins & Saira Salmon

*The Brooke Suite, The Arden Hotel, 44 Waterside, Stratford-upon-Avon, CV37 6BA, England.*

As this is the first of the 'Wisdom in Shakespeare' evenings, we have chosen *The Tempest*, the first play in the Shakespeare Folio, as our focus of exploration. It also deals quite openly with the main theme underlying all the plays – the spirit of love, and how it is or is not expressed, and what happens if it is or is not expressed.

This spirit of love is wisdom, also known as truth, which is and generates order and harmony. The Shakespeare plays contain this truth, or aspects of it. Underlying every play is an order and harmony, whilst outwardly the dramas depict varying mixtures of truth and falsehood, love and anti-love, harmony and disharmony – all so that we might discover and learn the wisdom.



These 'Wisdom in Shakespeare' evenings give us the opportunity to explore the various wisdom teachings and traditions utilised by the author Shakespeare in the Shakespeare plays, to see why and how Shakespeare used them and what they can teach us today.

For each evening, Peter Dawkins and Saira Salmon will each provide a short talk or presentation on a particular wisdom tradition which can be found in the play that is being focused on that evening, with examples drawn from the play to illustrate how it is used. We can then look at and discuss not only Shakespeare's use of that wisdom but also what it means or might mean, what it says to each of us, what advice it might give, how and where we might see this played out in our own life experiences and that of others, and how we might use this wisdom and what we've learnt from Shakespeare to improve life generally for ourselves, others and the world.

#### Dates of 'Wisdom in Shakespeare' Evenings:

1. 26 Jan 2017: *The Tempest*
2. 9 March 2017: *Loves Labours Lost*
3. 6 July 2017: *Midsummer Night's Dream*
4. 28 September 2017: *Measure for Measure*
5. 7 December 2017: *Hamlet*

#### Cost

£25 (incl. VAT) per person. Limited places – booking essential. (Bursaries available.)

#### Further Information & Booking

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