



Delaware Shakespeare Presents

QvK

A New Educational Tour

In 2026, Delaware Shakespeare will launch a new program. This venture will take a Shakespeare-inspired play to schools in the Delaware and Philadelphia regions, and incorporate an **interactive workshop** that allows students to explore **public speaking skills and the tools of rhetoric through the framework of some of Shakespeare's most prominent speeches**. Del Shakes, Delaware's only professional Shakespeare company, is proud to bring high-caliber performances directly to schools.



This 45-minute show mixes classical language with contemporary themes, making Shakespeare's characters relevant and accessible to students.

QvK Synopsis:

Royalty clashes with royalty in a duel of dominance as a group of actors take on the great speeches from Shakespeare's great plays. Epic rhetoric, power plays, and violence in the streets as our heroes battle it out for the audience's favor, in a crafty satire on how ultimate power ultimately corrupts.



QvK will be presented in conjunction with an **hour-long interactive workshop** where students will explore the rhetorical devices utilized in Shakespeare's speeches. Led by actors in the show, the curriculum will incorporate both classical speeches from Shakespeare's canon and contemporary speeches.

Characters and plays explored include:

Hermione – *The Winter's Tale*

Henry V – *Henry V*

Macbeth & Lady Macbeth – *Macbeth*

Iago & Cassio – *Othello*

Puck – *A Midsummer Night's Dream*



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