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**SPORT FOR JOVE THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS**

***-- The Shakespeare Carnival --***

Sport For Jove is proud to announce the launch of a new initiative for 2016, The Shakespeare Carnival: a NSW state-wide event that encourages students to get up and get active creating their own theatrical worlds by designing sets and costumes, composing music, choreographing dances and acting scenes that are inspired by and celebrate the work of William Shakespeare.

Based on the Globe Centre Australia Shakespeare Festival that ran for 20 years starting in the 1990s, the Shakespeare Carnival will provide a fantastic early opportunity for students to explore, create and be inspired by the art of theatre making. The Shakespeare Carnival is a great opportunity for students to challenge themselves, learn new ideas, gain confidence and social skills, and improve literacy as they bring Shakespeare's inspiring characters to life.

This annual event is open to all NSW high school students, and participating schools will be aided and supported by Sport For Jove to hold their own Shakespeare Carnival. Schools will then select representatives to join other school's selected students at a Regional Carnival, which will lead into a State Carnival, to be held at the Seymour Centre in Sydney in June 2016, where the top performers will be offered opportunities to develop their knowledge of Shakespeare and theatre skills working alongside trained professional theatre makers and compete for a range of prizes.

The Shakespeare Carnival is a continuation of Sport For Jove's Education program, which seeks to engage with schools and students to provide meaningful and constructive avenues for students to engage with and celebrate the works of William Shakespeare.

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**NOTES TO EDITORS:**

Sport for Jove Theatre established in 2009, and now a resident theatre company at the [Seymour Centre](#), is an award winning NSW-based repertory theatre company producing a major touring summer festival of outdoor theatre in Australia, along with theatrical and education-based seasons of classical and new works. The company also provides an interactive Education program to NSW schools.

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