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1. **Four popular plays**
   with good seating: *Twelfth Night, Hamlet, The Yeomen of the Guard,* and *Great Expectations.*

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Itinerary

Day 1 (June 20)
Arrive by car or plane and transfer to the Best Western Bard’s Inn in central Ashland. Accompany your fellow theater-goers for a delicious welcome reception and orientation to prepare for your week of Shakespeare and non-Shakespeare productions. (B)

Day 2 (June 21)
Meet with the group this morning after breakfast for your first Chorus Chat* with lecturer, Dr. Patrick Lloyd Hatcher. Take a stroll through Lithia Park or explore other activities in town with lunch on your own. This afternoon, attend your first included theater performance, The Yeomen of the Guard. Cap your evening by dining in one of Ashland’s plentiful restaurants, pubs, or bistros. (B)

Day 3 (June 22)
After breakfast meet with the group for the morning Chorus Chat. You are free for lunch, in the afternoon, and for dinner. This evening, attend your second theater performance, Hamlet. (B)

Day 4 (June 23)
After breakfast begin your day with this morning’s Chorus Chat. From there, carpool to historic Jacksonville, Oregon where you will get an enjoyable overview of the city while riding an early-twentieth-century trolley! Enjoy lunch on your own and don’t miss Jacksonville’s famous Marionberry Pie. Tonight enjoy your third theater performance, Great Expectations. (B)

Day 5 (June 24)
Meet the group for the final Chorus Chat this morning followed by a lively hour in discussion with a company member involved in one or more of the plays your group has seen and then have lunch on your own. At the close of the day, attend the Farewell Dinner with the whole group and then enjoy your last included theater performance, Twelfth Night. (B,D)

Day 6 (June 25)
Check out of the hotel and make your way back home. There are no planned activities today. (B)

Please note: Every effort will be made to operate the itinerary as planned, but we may need to change the timing for some of the items in the itinerary.

Meals included as listed above:
B=Breakfast; D=Dinner; R=Reception

*Theater term, chorus: A group of characters in Greek tragedy (and in later forms of drama), who comment on the action of a play without participation in it. Chorus Chat is Dr. Hatcher’s brand of discussion groups.
Lecturer • Dr. Patrick Lloyd Hatcher earned his PhD at the University of California, Berkeley in history and has taught in both the political science and history departments. He is an aficionado of playwrights and theater and has led Cal Discoveries Travel trips to New York’s famed theater district—and of course, the Oregon Shakespeare Festival. During morning Chorus Chats, as Dr. Hatcher shares insight into the nuances of the works, you will expand your mastery of interpretation. Dr. Hatcher is a member of the Oregon Shakespeare Festival and attends it annually. He is always excited to have fellow travelers join him around the city to museums, attractions, and restaurants.

Cal lecturer participation is contingent on a minimum number of paying travelers and cannot be guaranteed.

About the accommodations • Best Western Bard’s Inn: A warm hotel just a ten-minute walk from the Oregon Shakespeare Festival theaters, and less than a mile from Lithia Park. All of the traditional rooms offer complimentary WiFi, flat-screen TVs, desks, mini fridges and coffeemakers. Breakfast is included, as is parking and a seasonal outdoor pool and a hot tub.

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