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Community Theatre (Theatre Guild) presents:

What: Shakespeare Workshop with Actors From The London Stage

When: Saturday, February 6 – 1 to 2 pm

**Where: Rehearsal Room 3, Midland Center for the Arts, 1801 W. St. Andrews Rd.,
Midland, MI 48640**

Cost: \$10 – space is limited

Information: Call Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or www.mcfta.org

Actors From The London Stage, in association with the University of Notre Dame, will conduct a workshop specializing in Shakespeare on Saturday, February 6 from 1 to 2 pm. These five superb actors demonstrate that the acting image is within the text. Students will learn to enjoy Shakespeare and be encouraged in using Shakespearian text to their advantage. The workshop is suitable for ages 16 to adult, and will take place in Rehearsal Room 3 of Midland Center for the Arts, 1801 W. St. Andrews Rd., Midland, MI. Cost is \$10 per person, and space is limited. Call Ticket Office at (989) 631-8250 or (800) 523-7649 or www.mcfta.org

Now in its 35th year, Actors From The London Stage is one of the oldest established touring Shakespeare theater companies in the world. It was developed by Professor Homer Swander at the University of California (Santa Barbara) and founded by the renowned British actor, Patrick Stewart. This unique program is housed and work shopped in England and produced on campuses throughout the United States by the University of Notre Dame's program "Shakespeare at Notre Dame." This workshop is part of a week-long residency of classes and workshops the actors will conduct while in Midland for MATRIX:MIDLAND's presentation of "Romeo and Juliet" on February 4, 5 and 6. The self-directed ensemble of professional actors, all veterans of The Royal Shakespeare Company and Britain's National Theatre, bring to life the rich words of William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" as they create a uniquely intimate, uncomplicated and enjoyable theatrical event for all ages.

Theatre Guild is one of the most successful and exciting community theatre companies in the Midwest. Established in 1929, Midland's oldest and most innovative theatre organization presents plays, children's theatre, and a continuing program of community service, school residencies, theatre classes and workshops.

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