

The Merchant of Venice

by William Shakespeare

Directed by Jennifer Ross Nostrala, Blank Performing Arts Center, Pote Theater

Stage Manager – Heather Layman

Assistant Stage Manager – Jennifer Fenton

Set Designer – Marshall Wirtz

Lighting Designer – Steven J. McLean

Costume Designer – Bette Haddox

Dramaturg – Andrea Markowski

Cast

Antonio, a Venetian merchant – Tim Halling

Salerio – Craig Kaufman

Solanio – Josh Patrick

Bassanio, Antonio's friend and suitor to Portia – Brian Hyde

Lorenzo – Ryan Seibert

Gratiano – Ty Kamerman

Portia, an heiress of Belmont – Alisa Barile

Nerissa, her gentlewoman – Laura Lynch

Balthasar, attendant to Portia – Katherine Aumer

Stephano, attendant to Portia – Aimee McCabe

Shylock, a Jew – Carrie Ferguson

Prince of Morocco, a suitor to Portia – Craig Kaufman

Launcelot Gobbo, Shylock's servant – Joey Socrates Begovich

Old Gobbo, his mother – Joanna Schmolke

Jessica, daughter to Shylock – Rachel Anderson

Prince of Arragon, suitor to Portia – Jeff Barker

Gaoler – Jeff Barker

Tubal, a Jew and friend to Shylock – Brooke Jackson

The Duke of Venice – John Epperson

Production Staff

Assistant Stage Manager/Props Master – Sam Pohl

Poster Design and Program Cover Artwork – Carol Carder

Sound Engineer – Matt Robins

Sound Board Operator – Allison Smith

Light Board – Britnee Schoonover

Master Electrician – Ember Gleason

Projectionist – Brian Depew

Props/Set Crew – Pat File, Samantha Slyter

Wardrobe Crew – Katie Braden, Rondi Hanson

Box Office Manager – Josh Mann

House Manager – Paula Williams

Usher Staff – Sarah Beard, Bridgett Davis, Sue Gerver, Jenny Lyons, Jerime Mathias, Andrea Poland, Juan Navas, David Noll, Jamie Sabel, Brian Sabel, Joe Wilson

High School Festival Coordinator – Cara Svalstad

Lobby Entertainment/Accompanist – Raelene Best

Lobby Entertainment Director – Katherine Aumer

Lobby Entertainment/Singers – Mandy Baker, Brooke Jackson, Aimee McCabe, Joanna Schmolke

Production Crews

Props Crew – Sam Pohl, Samantha Slyter, Allison Smith

Costume Crew – Katherine Aumer, Rondi Hanson, Joanna Schmolke

Costume Volunteer Staff – Joan Betsworth, Darlene Day, Marilyn Leek,
Lois Schultz, Murphy Waggoner

Lighting and Sound Crew – Brian Depew, Ember Gleason, Heather
Layman, Josh Mann

Publicity – Carrie Ferguson

Set Construction – Sarah Beard, Edwin Brand, Jenn Fenton, Patrick File,
Heidi Guyer, Beth Headley, Aimee McCabe, Josh Patrick, Morgan Sperry,
Paula Williams, Marshall Wirtz, Theatre Simpson Scholarship students, and
Theatre 112 students

Department Staff

Theatre Department Chair – Jennifer Nostrala

Theatre Literature/History – Tom Woldt

Design Supervisor/Technical Director – Steven J. McLean

ATD/Scene Shop Supervisor – Ryan Trupp

Audience Services Undergraduate Assistant – Alisa Barile

Lighting Undergraduate Assistant – Heather Layman

Instructors – Steven J. McLean, Jennifer Ross Nostrala, Ann Woldt, Tom Woldt