Shakespeare’s Globe announces full casting for Oliver Chris’s
Ralegh: The Treason Trial

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Shakespeare’s Globe is delighted to announce the full cast of Ralegh: The Treason Trial, compiled, edited, dramatized and directed by Oliver Chris. A verbatim account of what played out on that extraordinary November morning in 1603, the production has been compiled and edited from sources present at the trial itself. It will premiere in Winchester Great Hall from Friday 16 November, the location of the original trial 415 years ago, before opening in the Sam Wanamaker Playhouse on Saturday 24 November for a limited one week run.

Simon Paisley Day is Ralegh. Simon returns to the Globe having appeared as Petuchio in Toby Frow’s 2012 production of The Taming of the Shrew, and in the titular role in Lucy Bailey’s Timon of Athens in 2008. Simon’s other stage credits include Urinetown (West End), The Low Road (Royal Court) and Twelfth Night (National Theatre). Screen credits include The Musketeers (BBC), Titanic (ITV) and Madame Bovary.

Nathalie Armin is Cooke. Nathalie’s previous theatre work includes Machinal (Almeida), Limehouse (Donmar Warehouse) and Another World: Losing Our Children to Islamic State (National Theatre). Television includes Home (Channel 4) and Marcella (ITV).

Fiona Hampton is Heale. Fiona returns to the Globe after appearing in this year’s Playing Shakespeare with Deutsche Bank production of Much Ado About Nothing. Her other theatre credits include Touching the Void (Bristol Old Vic), Winter Hill (Octagon Theatre) and Tamburlaine (Arcola/UK Tour). Television includes The Collection (Amazon Prime/BBC).

Pooky Quesnel is Popham. Pooky’s theatre work includes The Suicide (National Theatre), Romeo and Juliet (Royal Exchange) and Sitting Pretty (Watford Theatre). Television includes The A Word, W1A and Class (BBC).

Simon Startin is Cecil. Simon’s theatre credits include The Government Inspector (Birmingham Rep) and Islands (Bush Theatre). Television includes The Musketeers, Mapp and Lucia and Tag (BBC).

Tim Steed is Howard. Tim’s theatre credits include Ink (Almeida/West End), Crossing Play (Royal Court), The Crucible (Royal Exchange) and 80 Days Around The World (St James Theatre). Screen credits include Star Wars: The Last Jedi, The Crown (Netflix), The Current War and The Death of Stalin.

Jay Varsani is Dyer. Jay graduated from East 15 earlier this year. Previous theatre credits include Memoirs of an Asian Football Casual (Leicester Curve), The Pillow Man, Hamlet, Wild Honey and All My Sons (East 15). Films include Gloves Off and Golden Years.

Amanda Wright is the Clerk. Amanda’s theatre credits include Meek (Headlong), Go Noah Go (Little Angel Theatre) and The Government Inspector (Birmingham Rep). Television includes Marley’s Ghost (BBC) and Coronation Street (ITV).

Oliver Chris is an actor, writer and director best-known in the theatre for his roles in One Man, Two Guvnors (National Theatre, West End, Broadway), King Charles III (Almeida, West End, Broadway), and Twelfth Night (National Theatre).


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Ralegh: The Treason Trial
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Performances, tours, and educational work take place all year with the theatre season running from April to October. The theatre is an important space for research led by in-house scholars, and is central to undergraduate and post graduate programmes, as well as activities for school students of all ages. Each year in early spring, Playing Shakespeare with Deutsche Bank, a Shakespeare production created for young people and families, gives 20,000 free tickets to state secondary schools in London and Birmingham.

SAM WANAMAKER PLAYHOUSE
The Sam Wanamaker Playhouse, opened in January 2014. The intimate, 340-seat candle-lit space is a beautiful archetype of the indoor playhouses of Jacobean London. Also open all year, the Playhouse’s principal theatre season runs from October to April. In addition, it hosts panel discussions, lectures, and musical events. It is also an essential space for original research, rehearsed readings, family storytelling and workshops for school students and teachers.

EXHIBITION AND TOUR
The Exhibition is open all year, 9.00am – 5.00pm. Globe Theatre tours depart every 30 minutes. As a working theatre, tours may not be available due to performances, rehearsals or events, and tours may be affected by technical work in the theatre.

BANKSIDE AND BEYOND
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