

# 'OTHER SHYLOCKS' SYMPOSIUM 2017

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ART EXHIBITION  
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WORKSHOP  
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Dreaming with the Merchant of  
Venice

## THE WORKSHOP

WHAT DID SHYLOCK DREAM ABOUT THE NIGHT BEFORE THE TRIAL? WHAT WERE HIS HOPES, WISHES, DREAMS OR NIGHTMARES DURING THE DAYS AND NIGHTS THAT PASSED BETWEEN HIS DAUGHTER'S DEPARTURE AND THE HEARING IN THE COURT OF THE DUKE OF VENICE? HOW DID HIS LIFE CHANGE AFTER THE TRIAL?

THESE ARE SOME QUESTIONS WE PROPOSED TO ANSWER DURING THE PROPOSED WORKSHOP. **BRUNO MASTAN** DEVELOPS THIS WORKSHOP INTO THE "DREAMING WITH THE MERCHANT OF VENICE" PROJECT FRAME. BY USING *SHADOW THEATER* AND POP-UP CARDS AS MEANS OF EXPRESSION, BRUNO INVITES THE PARTICIPANTS TO JOIN HIM IN ORDER TO EXPLORE TOGETHER SHYLOCK'S UNIVERSE THROUGH AN INTERACTIVE CREATIVE APPROACH. THE ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS WILL TAKE A THEATRICAL FORM WHICH INTEND TO SHARE WITH THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE "OTHER SHYLOCK" SYMPOSIUM,

## THE EXHIBITION

THIS EXHIBITION BRINGS TOGETHER THE MAIN CHARACTERS OF SHAKESPEARE'S PLAY AND PLACES WHICH COULD HOST BOTH THE ACTION ITSELF AND SHYLOCK'S DREAMS.

SOME LOOK LIKE COSTUME SKETCHES, BUT TAKE A CLOSER LOOK. SHAKESPEARE'S MAIN CHARACTERS COME TO LIFE IN THIS WATERCOLOR AND COLLAGE EXHIBITION, IN AN OUTBURST OF ATTITUDE AND TEMPERAMENT. IT GOES WAY BEYOND DECORATIVE IN RECREATING VENICE, IN BOTH ITS LUXURY AND DECREPITUDE, HUMOR AND DRAMA, HISTORY AND IMAGINATION. WHEN REPRESENTING THE "DAYS OF YORE" - THE "TEMPI PASSATI", ALL ATTEMPTS ARE AS UNCERTAIN AS MYTH IS. BUT IN MIXING WITH THIS CONGREGATION OF LIVELY FIGURES AND FAMILIAR SHAKESPEAREAN FACES, YOU GET THE EERIE FEELING THAT YOU ARE IN A SORT OF REINVENTED ELIZABETHAN REALITY. WELCOME TO THE WORLD OF **LENA VIERU CONTA**.

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## VENICE I

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## THE VENETIAN GHETTO I

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## PIAZZETTA I

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## PIAZZETTA II

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## VENETIAN NIGHT

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FORTUNY I

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CANAL GRANDE

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WINTER IN VENICE

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SAN GIORGIO MAGGIORE

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FORTUNY II



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## KADDISH II



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PORTIA

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# SHYLOCK



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JESSICA



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TUBAL



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PORTIA



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# LAUNCELOT



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GRATIANO



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# PRINCE OF MOROCCO



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LORENZO

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# VENETIAN LADY

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# DÉCOR 1



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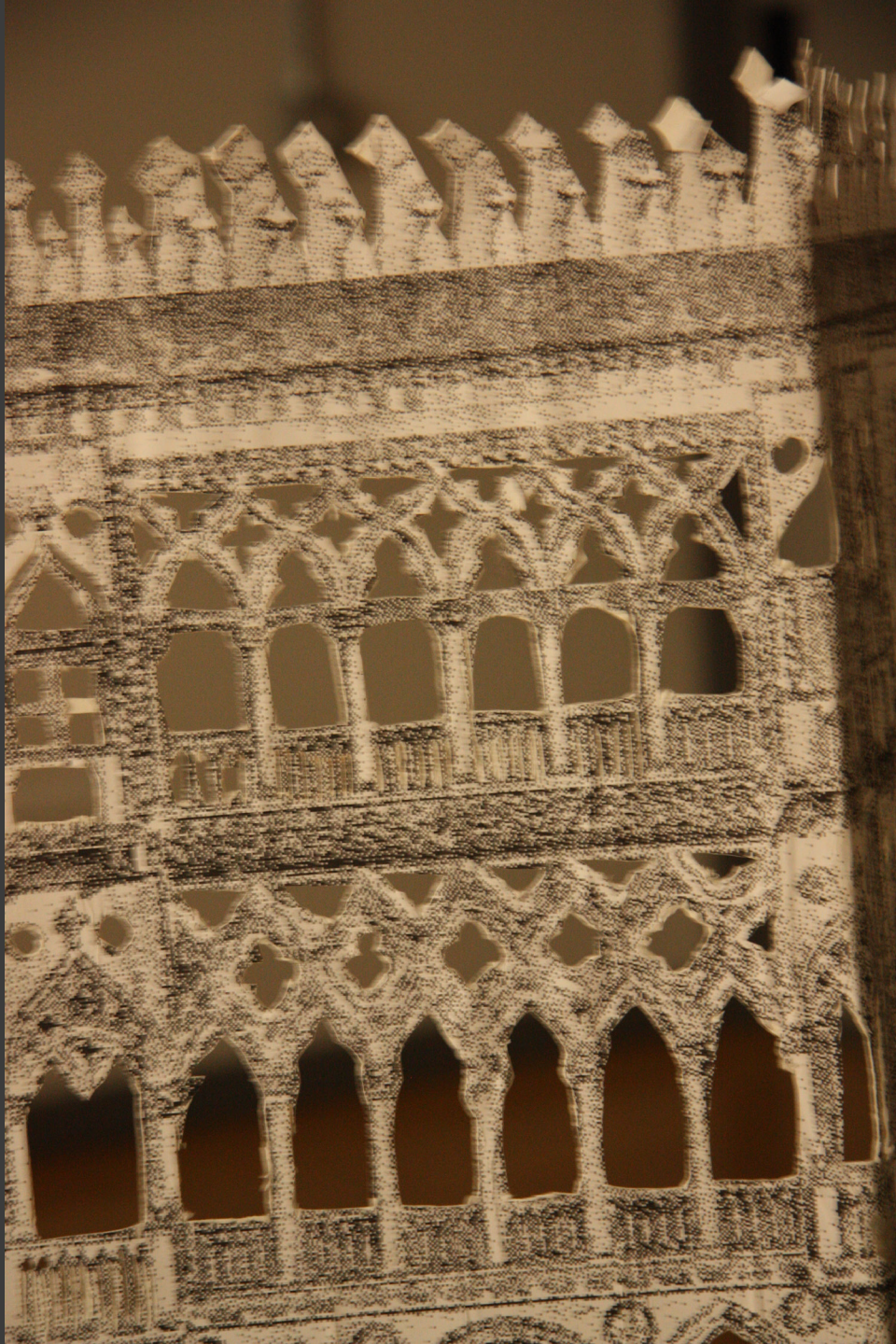
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## DÉCOR 3



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## DÉCOR 4



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# SHADOW THEATER DEMO 1



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# SHADOW THEATER DEMO 2



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# SHADOW THEATER DEMO 3



Dr. Canning with the original of  
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# SHADOW THEATER DEMO 4



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# SHADOW THEATER DEMO 5



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