

Plans for All Star One 2023
Ray and April Castoldi, Chairs
(As of September 24, 2022)

Theme: "A Midsummer Night's Daydream"

Minister of the Week:

Rev. Nancy Wood has agreed to be our minister of the week. Hurray!

Speaker for the Week:

We have confirmed our Speaker for the week. He is April's uncle, Dr. Earl Showerman, whom she lovingly describes as an energetic force of nature: a retired emergency room physician, music lover, athlete, scholar, family anchor and adventurer. In his retirement, he delights in researching and writing on the topic of the Shakespeare authorship question.

Here is a literary bio he shared:

Earl Showerman graduated from Harvard College and the University of Michigan Medical School, and practiced emergency medicine in southern Oregon for 30 years. After retiring in 2003, he enrolled at Southern Oregon University (SOU) to study Shakespeare. Over the past two decades he has presented and published scholarly papers on a variety of topics including the Greek dramatic sources of *Hamlet*, *Macbeth*, *The Winter's Tale*, *Pericles*, *Much Ado about Nothing*, *Timon of Athens*, and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. In 2012, he presented the keynote address on the playwright's medical knowledge at the Shakespearean Authorship Trust Conference in London. Over the past decade he has taught a series of courses on Shakespeare and the authorship question at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at SOU, and is the author of a chapter on Shakespeare's medical knowledge in *Shakespeare Beyond Doubt? Exposing an Industry in Denial* (2013), and contributed three topics to *Know-It-All Shakespeare* (2017), edited by Ros Barber. He is the executive producer of the first collection of songs related to Edward de Vere, *My Lord of Oxenford's Mask*, by the lute duet Mignarda (2006). He was recently elected to the office of President of the Shakespeare Oxford Fellowship.

Earl is already in action preparing his lectures for the week, and has shared a bibliography for any conferees that may want to study up in advance. He has also agreed to offer an afternoon presentation (like "Talk on the Rocks") for the children's program staff who are working during the lectures, and to invite some conferees with acting experience to present scenes to support his lectures. He hopes to bring his young granddaughter along for the week.

Banquet Night:

The theme of the Banquet Night will correlate with the speaker's topic, with an invitation for attendees to dress in a character from a Shakespeare play (or in Elizabethan dress of any kind!)

We would like to use the banquet as an opportunity to sing the new Star Island anthem “Our Spirits’ Home” prior to dancing to that song in the Grand March. We envision a somewhat briefer presentation overall.

We are exploring ideas for ways to make the Grand March more accessible/inclusive to folks with mobility issues, but haven’t yet arrived at an idea we’re happy with.

Auction:

We are delighted at the success of the auction, and got feedback that holding it outside on the new stage by Marshman made it more effective and fun. We are grateful to Katie Byron and her team, and Theo and Adam for their auctioneering skills, and to all the folks that donated items and to all the folks that bid and won and paid. Knowing how important this fundraiser is to All Star One as well as the Star Island Corporation overall, *we would like to break the record to raise the most money at the auction for the 2023 program!*

T-Shirt:

April will design the t-shirt (with assistance from Dave Cook!) with a Midsummer Night’s Dream theme.

Tentative Schedule (main events)

Day 1 (Sunday)

- Fire and Water- we want to make sure there’s good audio and video (easily better if we’re back inside); slideshow if outside. This will include teaching and singing “Our Spirits’ Home,” a brief explanation of the value of sharing one’s pronouns,
- Marshmallow Roast
- Icebreaker
- Chapel - Minister of the Week and Ray and April

Day 2 (Monday)

- Pride Dance in Brookfield - Celebrate LGBTQI Spirit! Ray will DJ will an epic setlist!!

Day 3 (Tuesday) JULY 4

- 4th of July Parade
- Amanda Gorman’s poem
- 4th of July Games
- All Ages Beatles sing-along (Brookfield - evening)

Day 4 (Wednesday)

- Soccer game (afternoon)
- Great People Hunt (after dinner)
- Pel Show (evening)

Day 5 (Thursday)

- Softball game (with music and play by play commentary, in the afternoon)
- Musicale

Day 6 (Friday)

- Kids' Stunt Show (afternoon)
- Stunt Night (evening)
- Late night music presentation in Brookfield

Day 7 (Saturday)

- Art Auction
- Banquet and Grand March
- Possible special musical presentation in Brookfield
- 2024 Chairs lead chapel - Michele and Matthew Cohen

Day 8 (Sunday)

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