

English - Drama - History

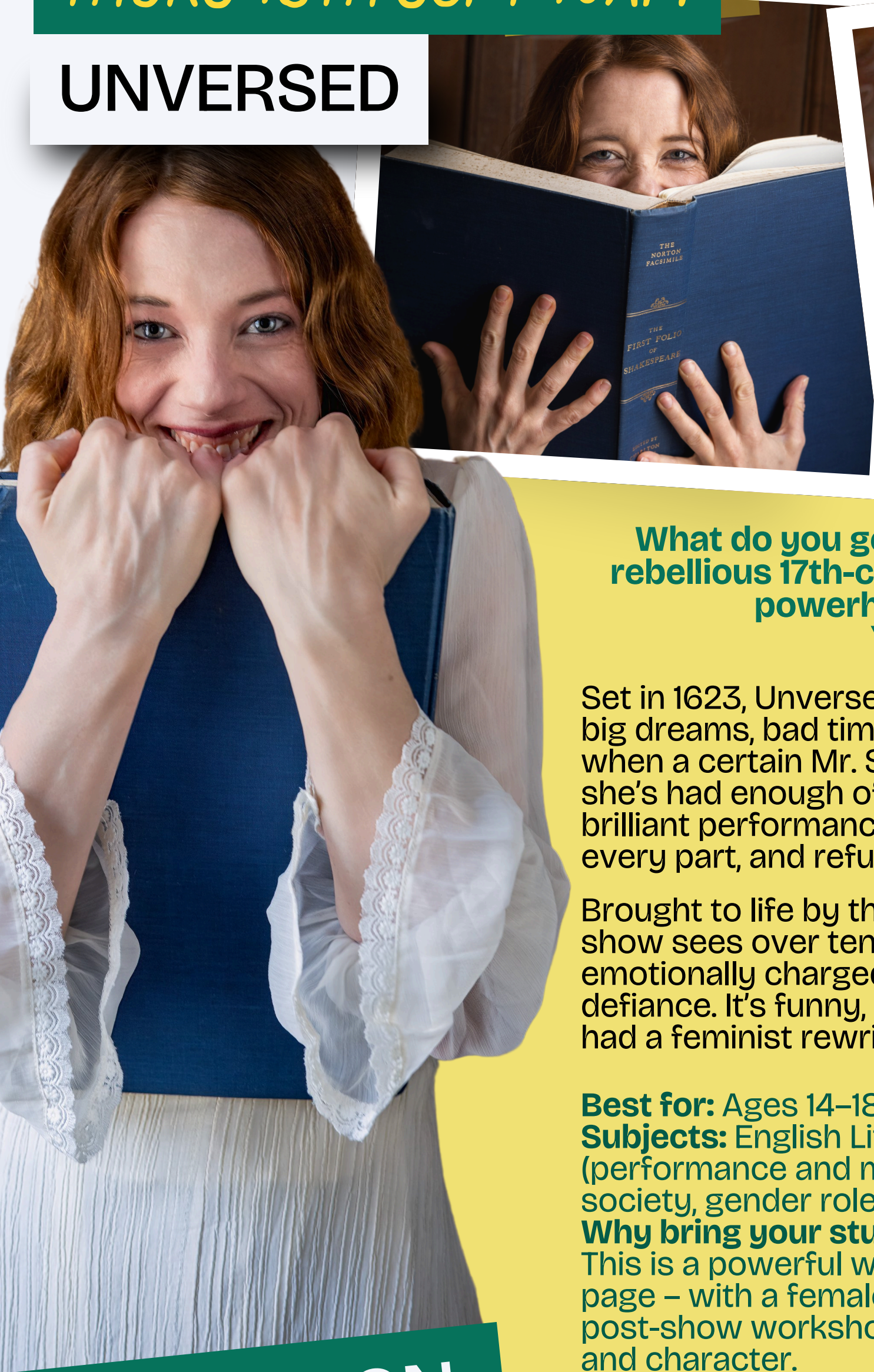
School

Programme

BLACKFRIARS THEATRE SCHOOLS

THURS 18TH SEPT 10AM

UNVERSED



What do you get when you mix Shakespeare, a rebellious 17th-century woman, and a one-woman powerhouse of a performance?
You get Unversed

STUDENT TICKET PRICE
£5.50

Set in 1623, Unversed follows Antonia Carrington — a wannabe actress with big dreams, bad timing, and zero access to the stage (thanks, patriarchy). But when a certain Mr. Shakespeare's First Folio falls into her hands, she decides she's had enough of waiting in the wings. What follows is a secret, bold, and brilliant performance in the shadows of The Globe — where Antonia plays every part, and refuses to stay silent.

Brought to life by the ridiculously talented Beckis Cooper, this one-woman show sees over ten characters leap off the page in a lightning-fast, emotionally charged journey through gender, ambition, and theatrical defiance. It's funny, sharp, and surprisingly moving — basically, if Shakespeare had a feminist rewrite, this would be it.

Best for: Ages 14–18 (GCSE & A-Level)

Subjects: English Literature (Shakespeare), Drama (performance and monologue), History (Tudor/Jacobean society, gender roles)

Why bring your students?

This is a powerful way to explore Shakespeare beyond the page – with a female lens and a modern heartbeat. The post-show workshop lets students get hands-on with text and character.

Watch the show trailer here:



AFTERNOON WORKSHOP

In addition to the performance we are offering a two-hour, workshop designed to help students bring Shakespeare's text to life on stage.

What to expect:

- Professional acting warm-up to boost focus and confidence
- Practical scene work exploring Shakespeare's language
- Group and solo performance techniques
- Tools to decode the text – breath work, punctuation, rhythm, cues
- Exercises on volume, intensity, character power dynamics
- Memory tricks and stagecraft tips from a working actor
- Directed sharing session with peer feedback at the end

Why book this workshop?

- Builds confidence and creativity
- Supports curriculum aims in English and Drama
- Fun, energetic, and engaging for all ability levels
- Taught by Beckis Cooper – professional actress and writer of Unversed

Teachers and drama staff are welcome to observe or join for the sharing.

This workshop is only available for 30 students and is an **additional £4.50** per student.

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HOW TO BOOK

- Visit www.blackfriarstheatre.co.uk/schools
- Click Book Now
- Complete the short form and select the performance of your choice
- We will be in touch to confirm your booking and arrange payment by invoice or secure link