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LIBRARY HOSTS BILINGUAL PUBLIC PERFORMANCES AHEAD OF FIRST FOLIO! EXHIBITION

Local artists gather to recreate Shakespeare play with a Latino spin

SAN DIEGO – Join artists from all over the San Diego region as they bring the Bard to the border. The San Diego Central Library @ Joan Λ Irwin Jacobs Common will host three public performances of *Measure for Measure | Medida por Medida: A Bilingual Play.* Set in a fictional border town, the play features characters speaking in both Elizabethan English and modern-day Spanish to create a unique experience for audiences.

The City of San Diego Public Library and The Old Globe were selected last year to co-host the only stop in California for *First Folio! The Book that Gave Us Shakespeare*, *on tour from the Folger Shakespeare Library*, a national traveling exhibition to commemorate the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death. The treasured volume will be on display free of charge to the public at the Central Library, 330 Park Blvd., from June 4 through July 7, 2016.

The public has three opportunities to enjoy *Measure for Measure / Medida por Medida:* A *Bilingual Play* at the Neil Morgan Auditorium on the ground floor of the Central Library:

- Friday, March 18, at 8 p.m.
- Saturday, March 19, at 2 p.m.
- Saturday, March 19, at 8 p.m.

While the performances are free, seating is limited and reservations are required. Visit https://m-4-m.ticketleap.com/m4m/dates for tickets. For more information on additional First Folio programming, visit www.firstfoliosandiego2016.org.

About the San Diego Public Library

San Diego Public Library, which is the largest library system in the region, serves a population of more than 1.3 million people. Its mission is to inspire lifelong learning through connections to knowledge and each other. Learn about other events at the San Diego Central Library @ Joan Λ Irwin Jacobs Common and 35 community branch libraries, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library's online catalog at www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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