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PRESS RELEASE

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Shakespeare's "The Tempest" to be presented at Modesto and Salida Libraries

The San Francisco Shakespeare Festival, through a grant from the James Irvine Foundation, will be performing "The Tempest" at the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library on Monday, Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. and at the Modesto Library on Monday, Feb. 14 at 6:15 p.m. Both performances are free, but advance tickets are required for the Modesto performance.

The professional touring company will perform the play in a condensed 55-minute version, but all major plot points and speeches are included. "The Tempest," sometimes considered to be one of Shakespeare's greatest works, was written later in his career. It is a magical play that takes place on an island where the main characters, Prospero and Miranda, have been stranded. Through the course of the play there is love, revenge, trickery, and redemption – all things that make for a great story.

For more information, please contact the Nick W. Blom Salida Regional Library at 543-7315 and the Modesto Library Children's Department at 558-7810.

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