

“In teenagers’ lives, this idea that if a relationship isn't working, it is something you are or are not doing is very toxic and prevents self love and confidence. And, especially in this specific production, set around Greek life on a college campus, this pressure to be exactly what others want you to be is very relevant.”



SONIA / DESDEMONA

“ this play is so relevant because it touches on issues
plauging the world today that a large amount of people
choose to not acknowledge.”



LUKE / IAGO

**“There will always be
people in this world
full of irrational
anger and fear.”**



**“the only thing that changes
about them over time is where
they reside and who they’re
angry at.”**

“The contrast of Bianca’s self-perception versus her societal reception, I believe, speaks to the power of the former in regards to her survival and livelihood. Bianca escapes the traditional scapegoat archetype partly because she deefines herself otherwise.”



“she does not see herself as a victim, thus she does not become one.”

LAUREN / BIANCA



“Roderigo wants something from the wrong person, which I think happens now all the time, and it spirals him into a worse and worse situation, which is unfortunately a relevant issue.”

“Seeing Othello in the setting that we've chosen, especially performed by younger actors (people who have inherited this world) will make the audience more thoughtful of how racism and sexism don't have to affect them directly for it to be their problem.”



ESTHER / LODOVICO & The DUKE

“What makes Shakespeare’s work so timeless is that there can be so much contemporary relevance. As long as bad couples and prejudice people exist Othello will be very important.”



IZZY / CASSIO

"Initially Othello is neither jealous nor violent, but throughout the play he is constantly reminded that these are the ways that black men are supposed to behave and that he is abnormal for not behaving as such. When Othello eventually does decide to live up to these expectations it leads to his death."

"As it was true 400 years ago it's equally as true now: It's hard to avoid stereotypes when they're the only options being presented to you."



“Something very relevant to teenagers is being blinded by love and doing things you wouldn’t normally do because of how you feel about the person who is asking you to do them.



ALYSSA / EMILIA