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**What's On – Classic Shakespeare Comedy to Bewitch Audiences at Brodie Castle**

Event: A Midsummer Night's Dream  
Date: Friday 18 August 2017  
Time: Gates open 6pm, show starts 7pm  
Venue: Brodie Castle, Brodie, Forres, Moray, IV36 2TE  
Price: £16 in advance; £18 on the night

Four young lovers, beset by jealousy and passion, enter a magical forest controlled by a feuding Fairy King and Queen. A group of amateur actors rehearse a play for the regal marriage of Theseus and Hippolyta. Join Puck, Bottom and a cast of unforgettable characters as the worlds of reality and the supernatural collide with magical – and hilarious – consequences.

Shakespeare's classic comedy, A Midsummer Night's Dream, will be brought to life on the shrubby lawns of Brodie Castle by the Handlebards, a troupe of actors who carry all costumes, props and scenery with them on their bikes. Join the traditional all-male cast as they bring Shakespeare back to Brodie Castle after a number of years' absence.

Booking in advance for A Midsummer Night's Dream is highly recommended – visit <https://nts.cloudvenue.co.uk/handlebardsamidsummernightsdream> to reserve your space. The performance will go ahead in all but torrential weathers – please wrap up warm and bring a rug or low seating. Refreshments will be on sale in the castle shop, and visitors can bring a picnic if they wish.

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