

A SHAKESPEARE PLAY IN SHAKESPEARE'S DAY



The old Globe Theatre was circular in shape. The stage was sheltered by a sloping thatched roof. Behind was a recess, with a balcony, curtained with black when a tragedy was being played and with blue for comedy. On either side was a door for the actors. The windows over these side doors were used for the purposes of the play, or else were occupied by musicians or spectators. In the foreground are seen ladies of fashion, masked and smoking pipes.

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