

**RSC**  
ROYAL SHAKESPEARE COMPANY

**LIVE FROM STRATFORD-UPON-AVON**

**OPUS ARTE**

**MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING  
OR LOVE'S LABOUR'S WON**

Autumn 1918. A group of soldiers returns from the trenches. The world-weary Benedick and his friend Claudio find themselves reacquainted with Beatrice and Hero. As memories of conflict give way to a life of parties and masked balls, Claudio and Hero fall madly, deeply in love, while Benedick and Beatrice reignite their own rather more combative courtship.

Shakespeare's comic romance plays out amidst the brittle high spirits of a post-war house party, as youthful passions run riot, lovers are deceived and happiness is threatened – before peace ultimately wins out.

**Don John** Sam Alexander  
**Butler/Francis Pickbone** Peter Basham  
**Conrade** William Belchambers  
**Benedick** Edward Bennett  
**Dogberry** Nick Haverson  
**Don Pedro** John Hodgkinson  
**Leonato** David Horovitch  
**Claudio** Tunji Kasim  
**Housemaid** Sophie Khan Levy  
**Hugh Oatcake/Dispatch Rider** Oliver Lynes  
**Margaret** Emma Manton  
**Sexton** Chris McCalphy  
**George Seacoal** Peter McGovern  
**Ursula** Frances McNamee  
**Borachio** Chris Nayak  
**Friar Francis** Jamie Newall  
**Verges** Roderick Smith  
**Hero** Flora Spencer-Longhurst  
**Beatrice** Michelle Terry  
**Balthasar** Harry Waller  
**Antonio** Thomas Wheatley

**Director** Christopher Luscombe  
**Designer** Simon Higlett  
**Lighting** Oliver Fenwick  
**Music** Nigel Hess  
**Sound** Jeremy Dunn  
**Movement** Jenny Arnold

**Screen Director** Robin Lough  
**Screen Producer** John Wywer

**EXTRA FEATURES**

A MORE PARTICULAR CONVERSATION | POST-WAR STILLS | INTERVIEW WITH NIGEL HESS  
 DIRECTOR'S COMMENTARY | CAST GALLERY

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