

## Casting announced for award-winning Antic Disposition's 10th anniversary production of Shakespeare's Henry V

A combined cast of British and French actors will perform the epic clash-of-nations drama in London's ancient Temple Church

Recent RADA graduate Freddie Stewart has been cast in the title role in Shakespeare's **Henry V**, in a site specific production that marks award-winning Antic Disposition's 10th anniversary.

Antic Disposition has won critical acclaim for staging visually striking productions in spectacular historic buildings, including Middle Temple Hall. **Henry V**, boasting a joint British and French cast, will be staged in London's ancient Temple Church from Monday 24 August – Saturday 5 September.

**Press night is Monday 24 August at 7.45pm**

Freddie Stewart already has several theatre, television and film credits to his name, most recently playing Cassio in *Othello* at Shakespeare's Globe.

The rest of the joint British/French cast are: Floriane Andersen, Maurice Byrne, Marius Hesper, Andrew Hodges, Alex Hooper, Victor Klein, Mark Middleton, James Murfitt, Dean Riley, Louise Templeton, Geoffrey Towers.

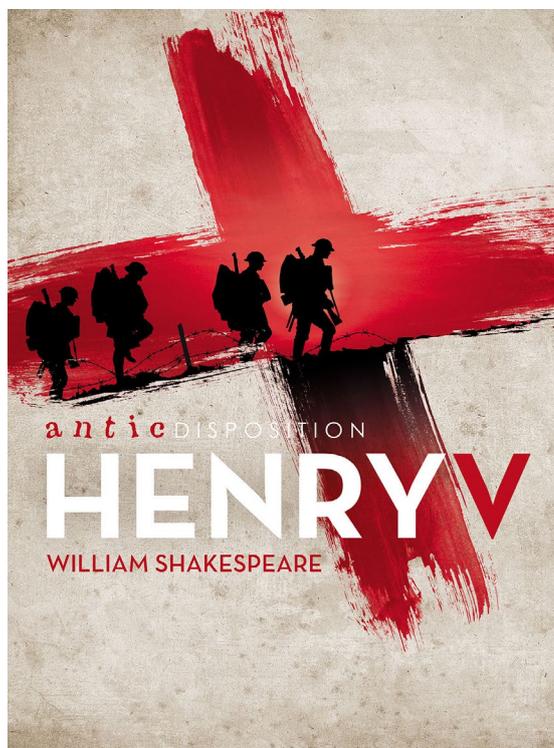
Set in a French military hospital in 1915, **Henry V** marks both the 600th anniversary of the Battle of Agincourt and the ongoing centenary of the First World War. Using fast-paced storytelling, original songs and live music, the uplifting production celebrates the rich and turbulent relationship between Britain and France, from the Hundred Years War to the *Entente Cordiale*.

Before arriving in London, **Henry V** will also be performed in 10 open-air locations in France – one of only a handful of productions of the play ever to be performed in the country.

Antic Disposition, founded 10 years ago by director Ben Horslen and director/designer John Risebero, triumphed last year at the Peter Brook / Empty Space Awards, winning the coveted Peter Brook / Equity Ensemble Award.

Located in the secluded and tranquil heart of London's legal quarter between Fleet Street and the River Thames, Temple Church was built by the Knights Templar in the 12th-century and is one of London's most beautiful and historic buildings. Perhaps best known for its unusual round form and stone effigies of medieval knights, Temple Church became famous more recently as a key location in Dan Brown's novel, *The Da Vinci Code*.

**Henry V** is directed by Ben Horslen and John Risebero, who also designs, with songs and musical direction by Christopher Peake, additional music by James Burrows and lighting design by Tom Boucher.



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Listings Info

Antic Disposition presents

## **Henry V**

by William Shakespeare

24 August – 5 September

Monday – Saturday at 7.45pm  
Saturday matinees at 3pm

Press night: Monday 24 August at 7.45pm

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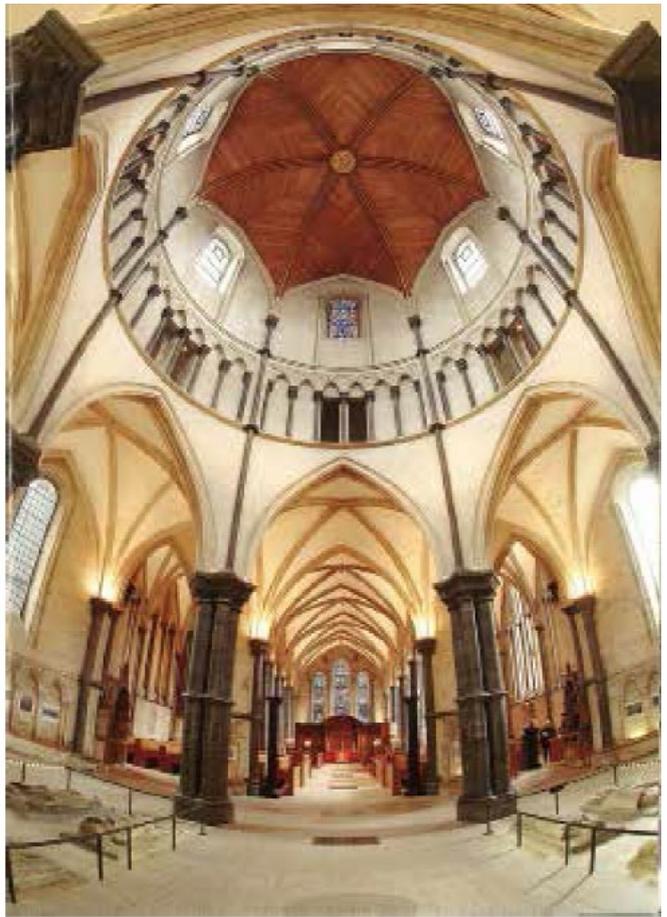
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Tickets: £20 – £40

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Temple Church, London  
Venue for *Henry V*