

KING LEAR

By
William Shakespeare

Directed by Peter Hinton

With August Schellenberg

And featuring the NAC English Theatre Company

Dramaturgy by Paula Danckert

MAY 8-26 → NAC THEATRE
OPENING NIGHT FRIDAY → MAY 11

Shakespeare's tragedy *King Lear*, set in the Canada of 1608 – the year the play was written – with a cast of Aboriginal actors from across the country, including the renowned August Schellenberg as Lear. In this powerful family conflict, an aging father – dividing his kingdom – demands proof of love from his daughters, thereby unleashing a tempestuous tragedy that even a king can't control. A play as big as Canada, resonating with our own history.

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*Did you know that August Schellenberg appeared in both
the 1969 and 2009 productions of George Ryga's
The Ecstasy of Rita Joe at the National Arts Centre?*