

Smith, Sarah K. Shakespearean festival, Ben Greet Players of London, Studebaker Theater. London: 1905. Folger ART Box S659 no. 1 (size XL)

In 1905, the Ben Greet Players performed *As You Like It* in repertoire at the Studebaker Theater in Chicago. The same performers would have taken on a different role each night, producing an impressive seven plays over three weeks. Ben Greet (1857-1936), a well-known English actor, created his own company in 1883. The company became known in England for its open-air performances; this poster is from the company's second United States tour, which began in 1904. The Ben Greet Players were known for bringing performances of Shakespeare to college campuses.