

Window & Grove, photographer. Miss Ellen Terry as "Viola" in Shakespeare's Twelfth Night. [London: s.n., 1884?]. Folger ART File T329 no.29 PHOTO (size XS)

Ellen Terry (1847-1928) grew up in front of theatrical audiences playing Shakespearean characters from Puck to Ophelia. Her performance as Viola in 1884 came during an intensely productive period in her career, when within a few years, she played Juliet (*Romeo and Juliet*), Beatrice (*Much Ado About Nothing*), Queen Katherine (*King Henry VIII*), Cordelia (*The Tragedy of King Lear*), Imogen (*Cymbeline*), and perhaps most famously, Lady Macbeth (*Macbeth*), as well as a range of non-Shakespearean roles.