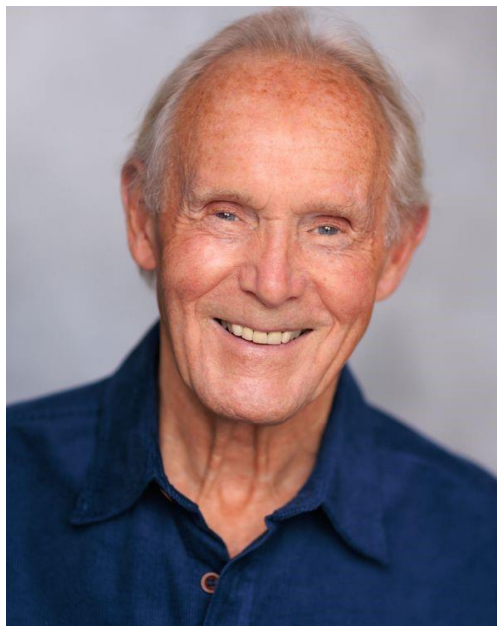


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David Garrick's 1769 Shakespeare Jubilee

David Garrick - Shakespearean actor, impresario and showman – organised the Shakespeare Jubilee in 1769 that put Stratford on the tourist map. It also nearly bankrupted Garrick, but he transformed his fortunes by successfully retelling the story of the celebration in his Drury Lane theatre. Renowned Shakespearean actor and television star Clive Francis, who chairs the Trustees of the Temple to Shakespeare at Garrick's house near Hampton Court – will lead us through this boisterous and intriguing story.



Clive Francis has a rich stage career, with appearances in over twenty West End plays since he started in 1966. Among two dozen other theatre credits he played in *Troilus and Cressida* with the RSC, in *The Tempest* at Nottingham Playhouse, and as Sir Toby Belch in *Twelfth Night* at the Orange Tree Theatre. Plenty of recent TV and film roles have made his face known to a wider public, and he has also adapted several books for the stage. And as a caricaturist, his work can also be seen hanging in the Gielgud Theatre, Coward Theatre and The Sondheim.

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