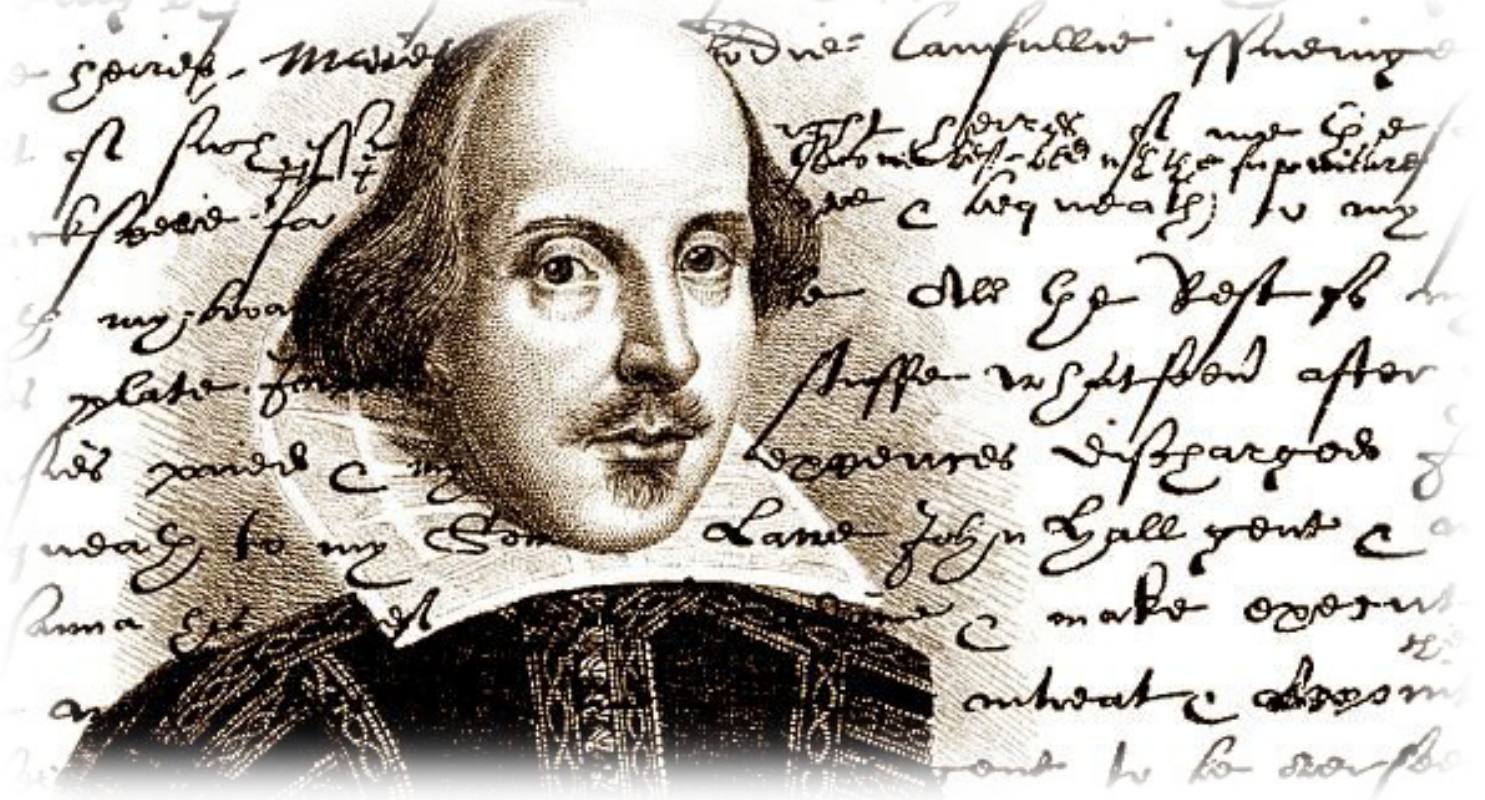


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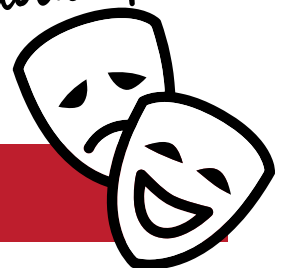
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“Rob has a gift for telling stories, making music, and keeping an audience captive.”

“I learnt new things about the sonnets and Shakespeare.”
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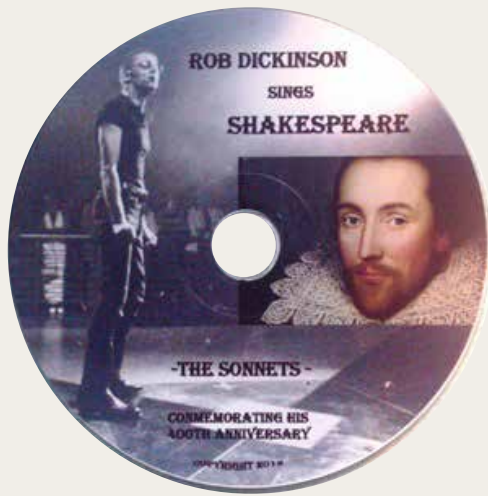
If it's true that happenstance determines history, we could say that Rob Dickinson became himself one quiet Studio afternoon he had been gifted with a copy of Shakespeare's Sonnets, so he began idly improvising melodies for them on the guitar. Rob remembers: "The melodies seemed to appear complete, as if downloaded on a light beam."

Three of these Sonnets later figured in his record 'Obsession' (1992), a fusion of rock and pop in the English manner (shades here of David Byrne, David Bowie, and the Peter Gabriel of 'Genesis'). Argentine press and audience reception was enthusiastic, so radio and television exposure followed. It didn't seem to matter at all, that Rob's lyrics were in English, or that his musical heritage was so overtly Anglo-Saxon.

The genre possibilities that appeared with the Sonnets refused to go away shortly thereafter, Rob set Poe's 'The Raven' to music, this leading to a record and show, staged both in London and Buenos Aires. It also inspired director Tim Conrad's film 'Terra', to be shot in London, which in turn attracted the active interest of Peter Lord (producer to Peter Gabriel).

This 'The Raven' recording was presented in 1998 as part of a multidisciplinary event, created by playwright Ivan Briscoe. Sponsored by Argentina's British Council and the City of Buenos Aires, the stage curtain opened





to reveal a world peopled by dancers, actors and Rob Dickinson in live performance. In the words of the Buenos Aires Herald review, 'his voice, a wonderful resonant beast lost somewhere in history, a voice evoking abandoned castles and dank attics, perfectly suited the melancholic grimness of the poem.'

Of course that's not by any means the whole story, which could be summarized as follows: named at birth Robert Paul Dickinson, which despite sounding so English makes him Argentine. This duality, of Anglo-Saxon tradition sounding through the melancholy of the River Plate, provides Rob's work with a brilliance and depth hard to find in many performers.

Rob Dickinson is a trained musician and actor, shaped by different schools and places: studies and work experience in Buenos Aires, London and New York have determined his artistic identity and style. He came of age as an actor through his continued relationship with Pepe Cibrián Campoy, and went on to share stage and recording venues with prime movers of Argentine Rock. Andrés Calamaro himself performed on keyboard for one of

his bands, the 'Dickinson Power Trio'. Rob's third record, 'Obsession', was so well-received that it led to Rob often appearing onstage accompanying Charly García at the Roxy, and sometime later helming the opening act for the Vox Dei concerts, at the 'For Our Indigenous Brother' tour at San Pedro and La Plata (2011).

Today Rob is again working the light beam he now knows how to summon, so as to compose "*SonnetRock*", a new Sonnets recording to serve primarily as the core of a new mixed-media show which is to include English-spoken poetry and music, even further along the path and genre made possible by his rendering of Poe's 'The Raven'.

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