

Iphigenia in Aulis

by Euripides

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Greek playwrights Aeschylus, Sophocles, and Euripides were each inspired to write about the Trojan War. Euripides wrote *Iphigenia in Aulis* shortly before the defeat of Athens by Sparta in the Peloponnesian Wars. Yet some fifty years earlier, amid the euphoria of military, financial, and artistic success of the city, Aeschylus wrote a much different play about the same conflict. Nicholas Rudall, whose translation of *Iphigenia* is featured in the Getty Villa's outdoor theater production, examines classical drama, the different interpretations of the Agamemnon story, and how these plays reflected life in ancient Athens.



Nicholas Rudall

Saturday, September 9, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

The Getty Villa, Auditorium

Free; ticket required. Call (310) 440-7300. Seating is on a first-come, first served basis.

Parking fee is \$15.

About Nicholas Rudall

Nicholas Rudall is professor emeritus in the department of classics at the University of Chicago and founding artistic director of the Court Theatre, the professional theater of the university. Born in Wales, he was educated at Clare College in Cambridge, England and at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. He has published over twenty translations of classical drama including the Oedipus plays of Sophocles, *The Trojan Women* and the *Iphigenia* plays of Euripides, as well as works by French playwright Georges Feydeau, German dramatist Georg Büchner, and Norwegian playwright and poet Henrik Ibsen.

Planning your visit

The Getty Villa and its galleries are open to the general public from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. With your program ticket, you may arrive up to one hour prior to the start time of the program. For earlier arrival, a separate general admission ticket is recommended. The auditorium opens at 2:30 p.m. and seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. The Café is open for lunch service from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., and the Getty Store is open until 5:00 p.m.

