

The Fortune Playhouse Contract

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[f. 1r]

This Indenture made the Eighte daie of Januarye 1599 [i.e., 1600] And in the Twoe and fforthyth yeare of the Reigne of our soveraigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of God *Queene* of England

ffraunce and Irelande defender of the ffaythe &c [i.e., etc.] Betwene Phillipp Henslowe and Edwarde Allen of the *parishe* of S^{te} Savio^{rs} in Southwark in the Countie of Surrey gentlemen on th'one *parte* And Peter Streete

Cittizen and Carpenter of London, on th'other parte witnesseth That whereas the saide Phillipp Henslowe & Edward Allen the daie of the date hereof Haue bargayned Compounded & agreed

wth the saide Peter Streete ffor the erectinge buildinge & settinge upp of a newe howse and Stadge, for a Plaiehowse in and vppon a certeine plott or *parcell* of grounde appoynted oute for that purpose

Scytuate [i.e., Situated] and beinge nere Goldinge lane in the *parish* of S^{te} Giles wthout Cripplegate of London To be by him the saide Peeter Streete or *somme* other sufficyent woorkmen of his provideinge and

appoyntem^{te} and att his propper Costes & Chardges for the consideracion hereafter in theis *presentes* expressed / Made erected, builded and sett upp In manner & forme followinge (that is to saie) The

frame of the saide howse to be sett square and to conteine ffowerscore [i.e., fourscore] foote of lawfull assize everye waie square wthoute, and fiftie fiue foote of like assize square everye waie wthin, wth a good

suer [i.e., sewer] and stronge foundation of pyles brick lyme and sand, both wthoute and wthin, to be wroughte one foote of assize att the leiste [i.e., least] aboue the grounde And the saide fframe to conteine Three

Stories in heighth The first or lower Storie to Conteine Twelue foote of lawfull assize in heighth. The second Storie Eleaven foote of lawfull assize in heigyth And the Third or vpper Storie to conteine

Nyne foote of lawfull assize in height / All which Stories shall contene Twelue foote and a half of lawfull assize in breadth througheoute besides a Juttee forwardes in eyther of the saide Two

vpper Stories of Tenne ynches of lawfull assize, wth ffower [i.e., four] convenient divisions for gentlemens roomes and other sufficient and convenient divisions for Twoe pennie roomes wth necessarie Seates to be

placed and sett Aswell in those roomes as througheoute all the rest of the galleries of the saide howse, and wth suche like steares [i.e., stairs] Conveyances & divisions wthoute & within as are made and Contryved in and to

the late erected Plaiehowse On the Banck in the saide parish of S^{te} Savio's Called the Globe Wth a Stadge and Tyreinge howse to be made erected & settupp wthin the saide fframe, Wth a shadowe or cover

over the saide Stadge, w^{ch} Stadge shalbe placed & sett As alsoe the stearecases of the saide fframe, in suche sorte as is prefigured in a Plott thereof drawn And w^{ch} Stadge shall contene in length

ffortie and Three foote of lawfull assize and in breadth to extende to the middle of the yarde of the saide howse, The same Stadge to be paied in belowe wth good stronge and sufficyent newe oken [i.e., oaken]

bourdes And likewise the lower Storiee of the said fframe wthinside, and the same lower storie to be alsoe laide over and fenced wth stronge yron pykes And the saide Stadge to be in all other proporcions

Contryved and fashioned like unto the Stadge of the saide Plaiehowse called the Globe, Wth convenient windowes and lightes glazed to the saide Tyreinge howse And the saide fframe Stadge and

Stearcases [i.e., Staircases] to be covered wth Tyle, and to haue a sufficient gutter of lead to Carrie & convey the water frome the Coveringe of the saide Stadge to fall backwards And alsoe all the saide fframe and

the Staircases thereof to be suffiyently enclosed wthoute wth lathe lyme & haire and the gentlemens roomes and Twoe pennie roomes to be seeled wth lathe lyme & haire and all the fflowers [i.e. floors] of the

saide Galleries Stories and Stadge to be bourded wth good & sufficyent newe deale bourdes of the whole thicknes wheare neede shalbe And the saide howse and other thinges beforemencioned to be

made & doen To be in all other Contrivitions Conveyances fashiones thinge and thinges effected finished and doen accordinge to the manner and fashion of the saide howse Called the Globe Saveinge only

that all the princypall and maine postes of the saide fframe and Stadge forwarded shalbe square and wroughte palasterwise wth carved proporcions Called Satiers [i.e., Satyrs] to be placed & sett on the Topp of

every of the same postes And saveinge alsoe that the said Peeter Streete shall not be chardged wth anie manner of pay[ntin]ge in or aboute the saide fframe howse or Stadge or anie parte thereof nor

Rendringe the walls wthin Nor seelinge anie more or other roomes then the gentlemens roomes Twoe pennie roomes and Stadge before remembred / now etheiruppon the saide

Peeter Streete dothe covenante promise and graunte ffor himself his executo^{rs} and administrato^{rs} to and wth the saide Phillipp Henslowe and Edward Allen and either of them and theexecuto^{rs} and

administrato^{rs} of them and either of them by theis *presentes* In manner & forme followeing (that is to saie) That he the saide Peeter Streete his executo^{rs} or assignes shall & will att his or their owne

propper costes and Chardges Well workmanlike & substancyallie make erect sett upp and fully finishe In and by all thinges accordinge to the true meaninge of theis *presentes* wth good stronge

and substancyall newe Tymber and other necessarie stuff All the saide fframe and other woorkes whatsoever In and vppon the saide plott or *parcell* of grounde (beinge not by anie autchoritie

Restrayned, and haveinge ingres egress & regres to doe the same) before the ffyve & Twentieth daie of Julie next *Commeinge* after the date hereof And shall alsoe at his or their

like costes and Chardges Provide and finde All manner of woorkemenn Tymber Joystes Rafters bardes [i.e., boards] dores bolttes hyniges brick, Tyle, lathe, lyme, haire, sande, nailes, leede [i.e., lead] Iron Glasse

woorkmanshipp and other thinges whatsoever w^{ch} shalbe needefull, Convenyent & necessarie for the saide fframe & woorkes & eu^rie parte thereof And shall alsoe make all the saide

fframe in every poynte for Scantlinges lardger and bigger in assize Then the Scantlinges of the Timber of the saide newe erected howse Called the Globe

And alsoe that he the saide Peeter Streete shall foorthwth aswell by himself As by suche other and soemanie workmen as shalbe Convenient & necessarie enter into and

vppon the saide buildinges and woorkes And shall in reasonable manner proceede therein wthout anie wilfull detraccion vntill the same shalbe fully effected and

finished / In consideracion of all w^{ch} buildinges and of all stuff & woorkemanshipp thereto belonginge The saide Phillipp Henslowe and Edwarde Allen and either of

them ffor themselues theire and either of their executo^{rs} and administrato^{rs} doe Joynctlie & seu^rallie Convenante & graunte to & wth the saide Peeter Streete his executo^rs & administrato^{rs} by

theis presentes That they the saide Phillipp Henslowe & Edward Allen or one of them Or the executo^{rs}, administrato^{rs} or assigness of them, or one of them Shall & will well & truelie paie or

Cawse to be paie vnto the saide Peeter Streete his executo^{rs} or assignes Att the place aforesaid appoynted for the erectinge of the saide fframe The full somme of ffower [i.e., four] hundred & ffortie

Poundes of lawfull money of Englande in manner & forme followeinge (that is to saie) Att suche tyme And when as the Tymber woork of the saide fframe shalbe rayzed & sett upp

by the saide Peeter Streete his executo^{rs} or assignes, Or wthin Seaven daies then next followeinge, thother Twoe hundred & Twentie poundes And att suche time and when as the saide fframe &

woorkes shalbe fullie effected and finished as is aforesaide Or wthin Sevaen daies then nextfolloweinge, thother Twoe hundred and Twentie poundes wthout fraude or Coven

Prouided allwaies and it is agreed betwene the saide parties That whatsoever somme or sommes of money the saide Phillipp Henslowe & Edward Allen or either of them

or the executo^rs or assignes of them or either of them shall lend or deliver vnto the saide Peter Streete his executo^rs or assignes or anie other by his appoyntem^{ts} or consent ffor or

concerninge the saide Woorkes or anie parte thereof or anie stuff thereto belonginge before the raiseinge & settinge upp of the saide fframe, shalbe reputed, accepted taken & accoumpted in

parte of the first paym^{tes} aforesaid of the saide some of ffower hundred & ffortie poundes And all suche somme & sommes of money as they or anie of them, shall as aforesaid lend or deliver betwene

the razeinge of the saide fframe & finishinge thereof and of all the reste of the saide woorkes Shalbe reputed, accepted taken & accoumpted in parte of the laste paym^{te} aforesaid of the same

somme of ffower hundred & ffortie poundes Anie thinge abouesaid to the contrary notwithstanding / In witness whereof the parties abouesaide to theis pnte Indentures Interchaun

geably haue sett their hands and Seales / Yeoven the daie and yeare ffirste abouewritten

PS Sealed and deliuered by the saide Peter Streete
in the p^resence of me William Harris Pub Scr
And me frauncis Smyth appr to the saide Scr^{or}/