

3 WEEKS, 12 EVENTS, 1 CONVENIENT LOCATION!

## **The Many Faces of Hamlet**

**July 28-August 15, 2008**

### **Ray Hartstein Campus**

7701 North Lincoln Avenue, Skokie

Coordinated by Beverly Friend, Ph.D.

Energized by the success of last year's *The Many Faces of King Lear* festival, we return to the Bard for *Hamlet*—another tragedy steeped in the demands of family relationships and filial obligation. Michael Halberstam, artistic director of Writers' Theater, sets the stage for what has been called Shakespeare's greatest play. We'll follow his introduction with a series of lectures on topics ranging from "Freud, Hamlet, and the Presidential Candidates," to the impact of director's choices and the role of critical evaluation. Experience the Danish prince as portrayed by Laurence Olivier, Mel Gibson, and Ethan Hawke, and consider *Hamlet's* influence on popular culture, from Tom Stoppard's *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead*, to Julie Taymor's *The Lion King*.

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