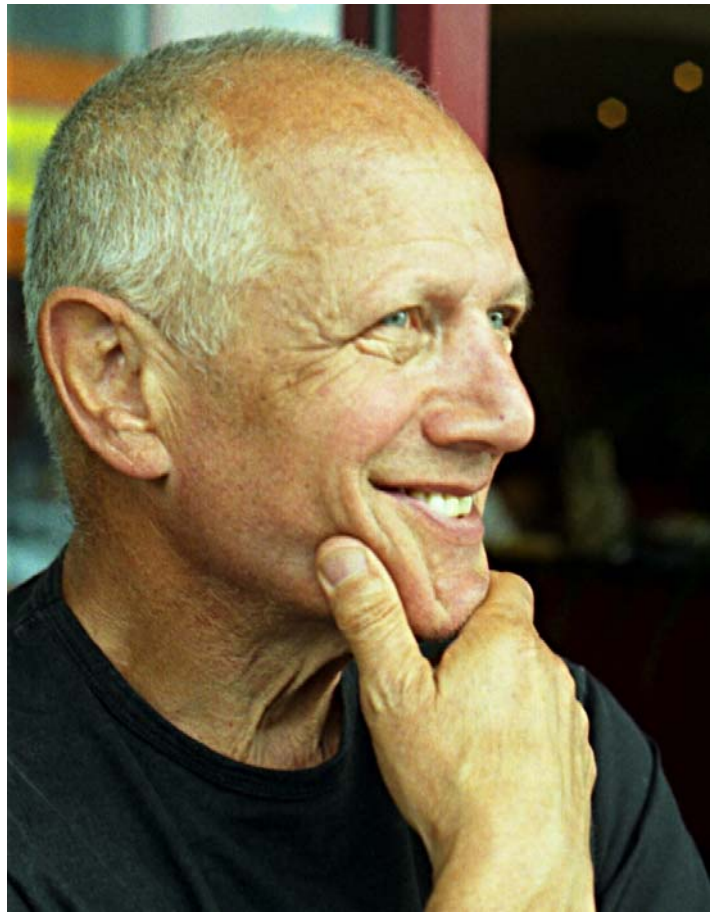


Steven
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On

The Man
Who Was
Hamlet



Steven Berkoff: photo by George Dillon

"Now there comes a time when traipsing around Edinburgh from venue to venue when you hope you might just catch a glimpse of something that makes the whole festival worthwhile. Here is a young man who does just that - in the prime of his art delivering a performance which he also wrote and brilliantly too.

He plays Edward De Vere, the prime contender for the writer of Shakespeare's works. Watching this I felt I was in the presence of a 16th century aristocrat.

This actor, on the stage for an hour and a half, gave one of the most compelling performances I have seen at the festival.

I've known George for many years and this performance is amongst the best I have seen - a lesson in the art of acting for any up and coming thespians."