

## Characters in 45-Minute Outreach Tour of *Romeo and Juliet*

[Prince Escalus](#) - **Prince Escalus** of Verona has the misfortune of ruling over a state where two major families are locked in an unending war.

[Friar Lawrence](#) - **Friar Laurence** is a Franciscan friar who is confessor to both Juliet and Romeo, and whom Paris immediately thinks of when he requires a priest for his wedding.

[Capulet](#) - **Capulet** is the head of an old family of Verona.

[Lady Capulet](#) - **Lady Capulet** is approximately 28, and makes mock of her aged husband's pretensions to fighting.

[Nurse](#) - **Nurse** is Juliet's closest companion, the woman who in essence brought her up.

[Tybalt](#) - **Tybalt** is the nephew of Capulet's wife, and that family's chief troublemaker.

[Juliet](#) - **Juliet** is the only child of the Capulet family. A fortnight shy of fourteen, she is an obedient child, but reveals herself to be passionate and willing to betray all that she has been brought up to when she falls in love with Romeo.

[Romeo](#) - **Romeo** is the only son of the Montague family of Verona.

[Benvolio](#) - **Benvolio** is Montague's nephew. By nature law-abiding and peaceful, he attempts to break up the opening quarrel only to end up embroiled in it.

[Mercutio](#) - **Mercutio** is a kinsman of the Prince's, and a close friend of Romeo's.

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