

Ronsardian Ode

15th Annual Shrewsbury Renaissance Fair
Kings Valley, Oregon 2010

Huzzah! Faire modeled from times of Shakespeare.
Fairies, dragons,
vendors and costumes part of atmosphere.
Mead, unicorns—
guilds show their fine wares, clothes to rent or buy,
give haggis, stag sausage, kettle corn try.
Come see the knights
in their joust fights.
Madrigals, minstrels passing by.

Street theater and performers on set stages
with musicians
bards, belly dancers, jugglers for all ages
and magicians.
Shakespeare in the Park with parts of Macbeth,
sword swallowing, rope tricks, dancers take breath.
Gowns with bump rumps
Knights take their lumps.
“Good Day!” “Good Day!” Wear floral wreath!

Ronsardian Ode: 17th century French. 9 lines.
Syllable Count: 10-4-10-4-10-10-4-4-8
Rhyme Scheme: a-b-a-b-c-c-d-d-c