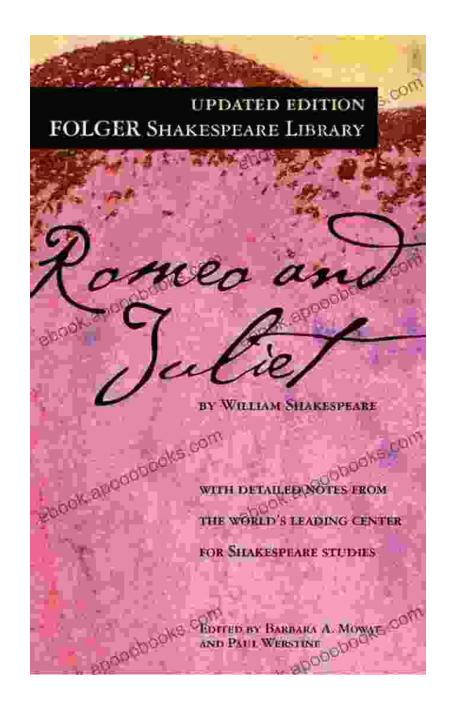
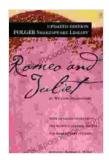
# Romeo and Juliet: A Timeless Tale of Love and Tragedy from the Folger Shakespeare Library

In the heart of Washington, D.C., lies the Folger Shakespeare Library, a treasure trove of knowledge and inspiration for scholars, students, and lovers of the written word. Among its vast collection of rare books and artifacts is a first edition of William Shakespeare's iconic tragedy, *Romeo and Juliet*. This precious volume, a testament to the enduring power of literature, offers a unique glimpse into the world of one of the most famous love stories in history.





### Romeo and Juliet (Folger Shakespeare Library)

by William Shakespeare

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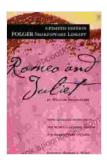
First published in 1597, *Romeo and Juliet* has captivated audiences for centuries with its timeless themes of love, tragedy, and fate. The story of two young lovers from feuding families has resonated with countless hearts, inspiring countless adaptations, performances, and works of art.

The Folger Shakespeare Library's copy of *Romeo and Juliet* is a particularly valuable artifact. It is one of only a few first editions that have survived to this day, and it provides invaluable insights into Shakespeare's original text. The book's margins are filled with handwritten annotations, providing a glimpse into the minds of early readers and scholars who grappled with the play's complex themes.

In addition to its historical significance, the Folger Shakespeare Library's copy of *Romeo and Juliet* is also a beautiful work of art. The book is bound in fine leather and decorated with intricate gold tooling. The pages are made of high-quality paper, and the print is clear and legible. This volume is a testament to the craftsmanship and care that went into the production of books in the early modern period.

For those interested in exploring the world of *Romeo and Juliet*, the Folger Shakespeare Library offers a wealth of resources. The library's website provides access to a digital version of the first edition, as well as to a variety of essays, articles, and other materials related to the play. The library also hosts regular exhibitions and events that focus on *Romeo and Juliet* and other works by Shakespeare.

Whether you are a lifelong fan of *Romeo and Juliet* or are just discovering this timeless classic for the first time, the Folger Shakespeare Library is the perfect place to delve into its world. Through its rare books, exhibitions, and educational programs, the library offers a unique opportunity to experience the power and beauty of Shakespeare's words.



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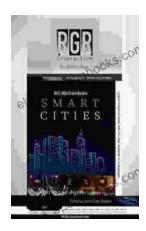
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