

Isabella Andreini

Lovers' Debates for the Stage A BILINGUAL EDITION

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4.30 pm

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The actress and author Isabella Andreini (c. 1562-1604) won international renown playing the bold, versatile, and intellectual *innamorata* of the *commedia dell'arte*. After her death, her husband Francesco Andreini continued publishing her works, among them the thirty-one *amorosi contrasti* – or lovers' debates – presented in this volume. Available in English for the first time, *Lovers' Debates* enables readers to envision the *commedia dell'arte* through the words of its most revered diva. Lovers flirt boldly, trade bawdy insults, exhibit their learning, and drive each other mad in stage dialogues that showcase Isabella's skill in composing and playing "other voices."



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