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THE TRAGIC LOVE OF TWO ENEMIES

adapted from the story by Ihara Saikaku (1642-1693)

CAST

NARRATOR(S)

SENPATJI WIFE/MOTHER SHYNOSUKE

ACTORS playing all other roles

MUSICIAN(S)

The NARRATOR(S) is/are the only speaker(s)

SOUND cues are only suggestions

All actors are onstage at all time, coming forward as necessary and putting on character masks when appropriate. All words are spoken by the NARRATOR(S)

SOUND *pleasant*

NARRATOR In Etjigo Province
 Lord Jibudayu rules

SOUND *serious*

JIBUDAYU comes forward

 summons his Chief Minister,

CHIEF MINISTER comes forward

 commands him
 to have the courtier Shingoeki

SHINGOKEI is seen in traditional pose

 killed.

CHIEF MINISTER reacts with shock and then obedience

JIBADAYU and SHINGOKEI retire

SOUND *thoughtful*

 The Chief Minister ponders