According to the Internet Movie Database, William Shakespeare, despite being dead for more than 400 years, has 1,421 writing credits in film and television to his name. Shakespeare has long been kept to academic corners and on theater stages, but with the inception of film, Shakespeare is more available to the masses than ever. With an art form that is ever growing and evolving, Shakespeare’s plays are made accessible via film to filmmakers aspiring to make their own mark on the world, as well as the audiences they hope to share Shakespeare with.