# **ACTING III: SPRING 2013**

**University of Alaska Fairbanks Theatre Department** 

Course: THR F321 F01 **CRN: 38119, 3 credits** 

Required Prerequisites: THR 121 Fundamentals of Acting, THR 221 Intermediate

Acting, THR 320 (220) Voice and Speech for the Actor

**Location: SRC FITNESS ROOM Dates: January 17- May 10, 2013** 

Time: Tuesday & Thursdays 9:45-11:15 AM

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clowning, physical character development, and period scene study.

# **II. Course Goals and Student Learning Outcomes:**

- To increase flexibility, balance, and physical awareness.
- To improve posture, alignment, coordination, and centering.
- To strengthen and lengthen your body through yoga warm-ups.
- To discover and access your full creative self through movement.
- To learn how to protect and care for your physical self.
- To gain a practical understanding of the Contact Improvisation movement technique.
- To gain a preliminary understanding of basic hand-to-hand stage combat.
- To experiment with clown work and physical character development.
- To introduce period acting techniques through scene study.
- To apply all of the above in performance!

# **III. Instructional Methods:**

This class is very active! Students will constantly be up on their feet participating in exer

• You need to purchase "Character Shoes" for this class. You can find them for about \$20 on www.amazon.com. For women, you are looking for about a 2" heel with a strap and men need a basic dress shoe with a hard sole. Theatre UAF's costume shop will provide corsets, rehearsal skirts, and fans for the women and vests, jackets, and handkerchiefs for the men.

# V. Recommended Reading:

- Contact Improvisation, Thomas Kaltenbrunner, Meyer & Meyer Sport, ISBN: 1-84126-138-6.
- The Wearing of Costume, Ruth M. Green, Drama Publishers, ISBN: 0-89676-

# VI. Audition:

All Acting III students are encouraged to audition for the Theatre Department Spring show Saturday January 19<sup>th</sup>

#### Week 4:

Weekly Reading: Movement for Actors: Part Three

**RESPONSE PAPER DUE 2/5** 

2/5 Rolls: forward, backward, Stand/Roll/Stand / Trading Fours

2/7 Rolls: side, group, Human Ball / Trading Fours

## Week 5:

Weekly Reading: Movement for Actors: Part Four

**RESPONSE PAPER DUE 2/12** 

2/12 Lifts: back to back, back to front, t-back, kohala / Trading Fours

2/14 Lifts: hip lift, baby, shoulder / Trading Fours

## Week 6:

Weekly Reading: Movement for Actors: Part Five

RESPONSE PAPER DUE 2/19

SOLO MOVEMENT PIECE PERFORMANCES 2/21

2/19 Review of Lifts & Rolls/ Trading Fours into Contact Improv

2/21 Movement Piece #1: Solo Performances

## Week 7:

Weekly Reading: Movement for Actors: Part Six

**RESPONSE PAPER DUE 2/26** 

2/26 Stage Combat Video: David Boushey

Meet in: THEATRE DEPARTMENT GREEN ROOM

2/28 Stage Combat: slaps, Roundhouse punch, John Wayne punch, blocks,

stomach punch, knee to stomach

## Week 8:

Weekly Reading: Movement for Actors: Part Seven

**RESPONSE PAPER DUE 3/5** 

STAGE COMBAT PARTNERS ASSIGNED 3/7

3/5 Stage Combat: head slams wall/floor, scratch, hair pull, choke/break-out,

stomach kick, face kick, chest kick on floor

3/7 Stage Combat: body throw/roll, forward fall, side fall, back fall

## SPRING BREAK

#### Week 9:

REHEARSE STAGE COMBAT PIECE

STAGE COMBAT FIGHT SEQUENCE WRITTEN WORK DUE 3/21

3/19 Stage Combat Review and Choreography

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#### **Week 10:**

STAGE COMBAT PERFORMANCES 3/26 REHEARSE CLOWN PIECE

3/26 Stage Combat Pieces: performances

3/28 Clowning Work

## **Week 11:**

**CLOWN PIECE PERFORMANCES 4/4** MOVEMENT PIECE #2 PARTNERS ASSIGNED 4/4

4/2 Clowning Work

**4/4 Clown Piece Performances** 

#### **Week 12:**

REHEARSE MOVEMENT PIECE #2

MOLIERE/ RESTORATION PARTNERS/ SCENES ASSIGNED 4/9

4/9 Contact Improv

4/11 Contact Improv

## **Week 13:**

Weekly Reading: Cohen: Acting Two Chapters 12 & 13 Handout AND The Wearing of

Costume: Chapter 9 Handout

RESPONSE PAPERS DUE 4/18 (THURSDAY)

4/16 Movement Piece #2: Partnered Performances

4/18 Moliere/ Restoration Movement Day

#### **Week 14:**

MOLIERE/ RESTORATION SCENE PERFORMANCES

4/23 Moliere/ Restoration Scenes First Showings

4/25 Moliere/ Restoration Scenes First Showings

# **Week 15:**

## MOLIERE/ RESTORATION SCENE PERFORMANCES

4/30 Moliere/ Restoration Scenes First Showings

5/2 Moliere/ Restoration Scenes Second Showings / Final Discussion

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