

Explore America

6 x 2hr classes run via Zoom.

In this six week online course we'll develop your General American accent, while working on iconic American playscripts, using techniques designed by the 'founding fathers' of American actor training: Strasberg, Adler, and Meisner. Working with emotion, imagination, and spontaneity-building techniques, you will work on two distinct characters, from award-winning American playwrights. The sessions will be playful and social spaces, and will involve regular feedback and redirection.

Suitable for students who have completed the Actor Storyteller and at least one other Creating Character course, or have other training or experience. This course would also be useful to any professional actors wanting to add tools to your box.

In this course you will:

Dive into great American theatre, past and present

Explore iconic scenes and characters

Understand how accents are shaped by time and place, and why they are integral to character creation

Develop your General American accent

Learn different American acting methodologies to support your character work

Each class will involve

Physical exercises alongside creative work

Vocal exercises on accent creation

Individual work outside of class time, including line learning and accent exercises

Feedback and/or redirection

You will need

Zoom installed on your laptop

Somewhere private to work during our classes

Approximately 1m square in front of your laptop to work in

This will be an interactive, participatory class: your camera and mic will both need to be switched on.

A reasonable level of English is also required.

