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Welcome to The Studio NW. We are excited to have you join our community!

The Studio NW is a dedicated space where artists can come together to practice their craft, receive professional training and be part of an encouraging, supportive group of artists. We want you to know that acting classes at The Studio NW are about more than just the technique of acting. We talk about the "Business" of acting, the process of getting an agent, working on sets, building and maintaining a career and more. Many of our students continue taking classes for several years, they find a home at The Studio NW and a strong sense of working toward a common goal. We are honored to be part of that journey!

We have put together some useful information and policy reminders that we hope you will spend some time reviewing prior to your first class. If you have any questions, please contact the Program Director at info@thestudionw.com. We are here to help and happy to chat any time. Our founder also offers Career Consults if you want a deep dive into your personalized plan and goals.

Studio Class focus: TV & Film, Commercial, Audition, Improvisation, Cold Read and Scene Study. We train year-round for a reason; we want to prepare you with a little bit of everything to give you the best possible foundation or to keep you on your toes. Classes also deal with the challenges that being an actor presents. Students enjoy guest teachers/speakers, learn relaxation techniques, improv, the business of being an actor, Meisner technique, space work, stillness, and so much more. With over 20+ years in the film/tv community, we have solid relationships and are able to offer special events such as casting office tours, guest speakers, opportunities to join working sets, tour production studios, and other industry related events during the year. These special events are open to all enrolled students and typically will replace one of the four weekly ongoing class days of the month.

Class Policy: Registration for our classes is open and ongoing. Classes are \$225 per month, and tuition is auto processed on the 1st, much like a gym membership. This covers 4 classes a month. Occasionally there may be some variation to this schedule. This might include special events, holidays or scheduling conflicts due to coaches booking professional jobs. Students will be notified ahead of time of the schedule change. Please note no refunds or credits will be given to students who are unable to attend the different scheduled date.

Weather Policy: Oregon winters can be unpredictable and safety is our first priority. We follow Portland Public school closure policy. If school is closed classes will be transferred to our online platform. Meeting links will be emailed prior to class start time. We encourage students to call/text 971-708-2127 or email the studio, info@thestudionw.com if you do not receive the email announcement and meeting link within one hour of the class start time.



Attendance Policy: Consistent attendance is the most productive way to advance your training. Additionally, students who are absent or arrive late/leave early make it difficult for the scene partner(s) to get the most effective training. In the event you must miss a class, please contact the studio ASAP and coordinate with your scene partner to arrange practice time outside of class time AND arrange a fill in scene partner for the missing class. Students who habitually miss or are late to class may be limited in specific scene work and/or removed from the class. No refunds or credits will be provided. You must attend class.

The Studio NW may offer make-up opportunities up to two times per quarter. To be eligible to attend, students must have notified the studio of their absence, be a registered student and RSVP to the class date. Students who are no longer registered for classes are not eligible to attend. The Studio NW does not offer refunds or credits for missed classes.

Class Etiquette: The Studio NW is a place for people to feel included, safe, heard and encouraged. We ask all students to please turn off phones during class and only snack during break. Chewing gum, eating, taking phone calls/text messaging, being under the influence of drugs or alcohol during class is disrespectful to your fellow students and coach and is not permitted. Disrespectful behavior will be addressed privately, and if it continues, The Studio NW reserves the right to cancel your registration with no credit or refunds provided. We train students to be as professional in class as they would on set.

Coaches & Student Privacy: Should students have questions regarding their class, curriculum or other comments we ask you to direct them to info@thestudionw.com. We will pass along the information and provide you with the needed answers. This is the best way to respect the coaches time and privacy. We ask you to please not contact coaches via social media unless it is to comment on a specific social media post such as "Congratulations on booking that job!". Please respect your coaches' privacy and maintain positive coach/student boundaries. Please feel free to send a message on THESTUDIONW Instagram or tag us anytime. We love supporting your work and celebrating wins with you.

The Studio NW adult classes have What's App group chats that new students will be connected to. Please use this for acting related comments/questions only. Do not solicit your fellow students or add them to personal/business mailing lists without permission. Please be respectful and keep conversations positive.

Dress Code: Always wear comfortable clothes that you can move in easily, that does not restrict your movement or is distracting. Closed toed shoes with low or no heels are your best options.

A few items for class:

Bring a notebook to each class. We recommend having a notebook specifically for acting class.

Bring a pen or pencil to each class.

Bring a refillable water bottle.

Bring a snack.

Be sure to follow us on social media; @thestudionw. And be sure to tag us when posting cool things about your acting; bookings, auditions, BTS!

We are so happy to have you. Starting a new class and community can be nerve wracking but we promise, in no time you will find yourself laughing, crying, hugging, exploring and challenged.

Thank you for inviting us to be part of this next chapter with you!

WELCOME TO THE STUDIO NW!