

Auditions are scheduled for THURSDAY, APRIL 28th, 2022 Method of meeting – in person or by zoom – to be determined

REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. CANDIDATES MUST QUALIFY FOR HONOURS. The following is required:
 - They must have or be in the process of completing at least 30 credit hours.
 - They must achieve and maintain a GPA of 3.0 in Theatre/Film courses.
 - They must achieve and maintain a GPA of 2.5 in non-Theatre/Film courses.

Candidates should apply only if they have a reasonable expectation of meeting these requirements.

- THFM-2101 ACTING THEORY AND PRACTICE: You must have completed or be in the process of completing THFM-2101 ATAP. (If you've taken subsequent 3000-level performance courses they may be considered your "most recent" pre-requisite course as referred to below.)
- NEW! CO-REQS FOR ADMISSION TO HONOURS (will be a pre-req or co-req for all Honours streams as of Fall 2022):
 - THFM 2703 Play Analysis (this will be a pre-requisite to THFM-4131 in following years)
 - Academic Writing requirement (RHET-11xx) (this will be a co-requisite with THFM-4131 in following years)
- CANDIDATES ARE REQUIRED TO PREPARE ONE CONTEMPORARY MONOLOGUE OF NO MORE THAN 3 MINUTES. See "Monologues" below for further information about your monologue.

NOTE: Department of Theatre instructors, be they full-time or contract, will not be permitted to coach any candidate for this audition.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

- **GRADES:** The candidate's grade for the performance aspect in the pre-requisite course will be a <u>significant factor</u> in the acceptance process.
- **RECOMMENDATION:** The instructor of the candidate's most recent pre-requisite performance course will be asked to provide a recommendation and brief comments on each candidate.
- CREATIVE ENSEMBLE WORKSHOP: If auditions are held in-person, the audition day will include a workshop focusing on collaborative and imaginative work.
- NEW! AUDITION INTERVIEW: following the monologue presentation and re-direct, there will be a brief interview with each candidate.

MONOLOGUE, REGISTRATION PROCESS AND PRE-AUDITION DATES:

MONOLOGUE SELECTION:

Prepare one contemporary monologue (no earlier than 1950) EITHER from the list provided OR one of your own choosing. In either case, ensure that your monologue is NO LONGER THAN 3 MINUTES (this may require you to edit your monologue) and the monologue may not be taken from any work the candidates have done in class nor come from any play in which they have performed.

For those choosing their own monologue, it must:

- Be a monologue you have never worked on before in class or elsewhere.
- Be a monologue in the style of "psychological realism" and that is action based. (This means that we want to ensure the monologue is not grand, poetic and abstract. We're looking for a charged, human, emotional and psychological situation in which the character does things verbally, physically, psychologically in order to get what they want from another character(s1).
- Be submitted as a typed version or a scan to uofwaudition@gmail.com no later than midnight on FRIDAY April 1, 2022.

A list of suggested monologues will be available from the department Tuesday, March 1st. E-mail Melinda at m.tallin@uwinnipeg.ca to have them sent to you electronically.

- INFORMATION MEETING MONDAY, MARCH 14th, 4 pm: If you are considering or planning to audition, attend an Honours Audition Info Session with Prof Christopher Brauer at 4 pm MONDAY, MARCH 14th (by Zoom). Topics to be covered will include monologue technique and Honours criteria, and questions are welcome. To receive the Zoom info about this meeting e-mail Melinda. Attending this meeting is not binding!
- **DEADLINE TO SUBMIT MONOLOGUE MIDNIGHT FRIDAY, APRIL 1st:** If you are choosing your own monologue, submit a typed version or a scan to uofwaudition@gmail.com by midnight FRIDAY, APRIL 1st.
- **DEADLINE TO REGISTER MONDAY, APRIL 4th.** Indicate your interest to audition to Melinda by MONDAY, APRIL 4th. This intent to audition is not binding!



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- 5. DEADLINE TO HAVE YOUR PHOTO IN: 4 PM WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13th: To confirm your intent to audition, you must E-MAIL a SMALL FORMAT photograph of yourself (snapshot or selfie is fine), to uofwaudition@gmail.com no later than WEDNESDAY, APRIL
- BETWEEN APRIL 15 -22, YOU WILL BE SENT A SCHEDULED AUDITION TIME FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 28th. Prior to the Audition Day, you'll be sent your audition time, and if we're on Zoom, two Zoom invitations: one for a meeting at the start of the audition day, which everyone will attend; and one for the audition itself (everyone's will say 1pm, but candidates will join the meeting at their scheduled time, and wait in the Zoom waiting room until the panel is ready). If we're not on Zoom you'll receive a schedule and room numbers in the ACTF.

POST-AUDITION PROCESS:

- Following the audition, the Audition Panel will evaluate each candidate's work, factoring in the candidate's performance grade. Students' discipline and demonstrated ability to work collaboratively and to take direction and instruction will be factors in the
- DECISIONS ANNOUNCED FRIDAY, MAY 27th, 2022: Once final grades have been released (as GPA is a criteria), all candidates will be notified of their status by Friday, May 27th, 2022.
- UPON ACCEPTANCE, STUDENTS MUST MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH MELINDA to discuss plans for the balance of their degree and complete the necessary paperwork for registration.
- **DEADLINE TO ACCEPT: Friday July 1, 2022.**

NB: the Department reserves the right to hold subsequent auditions in the event there is capacity in the class.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- Who is on the panel? The Panel is normally be made up of the full-time Performance Faculty, as well as the Chair of the department. Other instructors may be invited to attend. One student from the current fourth-year Honours Acting ensemble will also be a member of the panel.
- 2. Should I edit my monologue so that it's under 3 minutes? Yes.
- How should I dress? Dress like a theatre student. Clothes that will allow you to move, but aren't terribly baggy.
- If we're on Zoom, how should I set up to do an on-camera audition? Don't sweat this too much. We want to be able to see as much of you as possible without losing your face, so don't be too far away. If you can make the background behind you uncluttered so much the better – and if you can't, don't lose too much sleep over it.
- Will having a physical disability disadvantage me in the workshop portion of the audition? Absolutely not. There is no one-sizefits-all standard of a performer's physicality. What is compelling is how a performer works within the spectrum of their capabilities.
- 6. How will you decide who gets in? We'll base acceptance on your work in the audition, comments from your pre-req instructors, your interview responses, and your performance grades in your previous performance classes.
- 7. Is there anything else I need to do? YES don't forget to e-mail a pic of yourself to <u>uofwaudition@gmail.com</u> as soon as possible. This is to go into a booklet for the panel with your pictures, so that they can put a face to the name in their deliberations. Yes, it could be your headshot if you have one, but just a decent selfie will do nicely.

ALSO - If you choose your own monologue, don't forget to submit it in typed or scanned form to the same address by midnight April 1st.

WHAT IF I HAVE TERRIBLE INTERNET?? If this is an issue and we're doing the auditions on Zoom, e-mail us and let us know. We have alternative options if this is the case.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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