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ACTING COACH

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As an acting coach with several decades of experience and as an enthusiastic judge of the 2023 Speech Meet, I'd like to share with you some of the benefits of private coaching for those Covenant Christian School students who have an interest in performing arts, as they progress into elementary and middle school and as they look ahead toward high school and college.

● COMPREHENSIVE COACHING SERVICES

Basic/Intermediate/Advanced Acting Techniques for beginning and developing actors, dancers, and singers

In one-on-one coaching, this includes a) working with monologues to develop acting techniques while communicating with an "invisible" partner created wholly from the actor's imagination and b) developing cold reading skills—reading from scenes—to prepare for audition situations and to learn to think creatively in the moment.

Private coaching is also an excellent way to supplement the many fine youth acting classes that are offered throughout the greater Atlanta area.

● PREPARATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE

Regular coaching sessions will lay the foundation for taking high school drama classes and participating in productions. If by that time your student is expressing an interest in a college drama or musical theatre major, my services can help in the following ways:

Monologue Selection and Presentation for College Auditions—Finding and polishing contrasting pieces, both contemporary and classical as well as comedic and dramatic, that reflect the student's true talents and strengths as an actor and that will excite and surprise at every audition

Interview Skills—Getting comfortable with being oneself and expressing one's artistic goals in a concise and authentic way

Successful Performance of Songs—Finding the moment -to-moment acting values that bring the song to life in the specialized audition situation

Guidance in focusing the student's artistic aspirations toward a career, vocational or avocational, in the Performing Arts

● **CONCENTRATED INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION**

My focus is on helping each student to work from a base of emotional integrity, moving forward always to the next level of artistic growth in a fun, positive, nurturing environment.

Space will be available at the school after classes during the week, and virtual coaching, which has proven to be equally successful and rewarding, is available on weekends and during the summer.

● **AFFORDABLE RATES**

My policy is to work within any family budget.

● My students have been accepted into major musical theatre and drama programs throughout the country, and some have gone on to Broadway, TV, and film careers. It would be my pleasure to assist you and your young performer; I look forward to talking with you!

Pat Hurley

MFA—FSU/Asolo Conservatory for Actor Training

BFA in Dramatic Art—University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill