

*Working Actor Masterclass '24*

# ATLANTA



Start Day:  
Thur 7/25/24

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Sun 7/28/24

address

TBA  
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WAM offers a unique opportunity for actors to showcase their talent. After registering, actors meet with a screenwriter to determine the type of roles they are best suited to play in the year's story. Each year, a short film or series of scenes is written specifically for the actors who register.

The Working Actor Masterclass (WAM) was founded by Actor & Coach Darius A. Journigan in NYC in Fall 2022. WAM's goal is to bring Actors from multiple skill and experience levels together to learn, grow, and connect in some of the country's capitals of film & theatre.

Industry professionals lead workshops in script analysis, character development, relationship building, camera technique, comedy, improv, voice & speech, laban movement analysis, and more.

Actors work on these scripts during the masterclass and spend the final day filming on set. The edited footage is then provided to the actors for use on their reel.

#### Important Dates

7/01/24 - Scripts Delivered

6/15/24 - Registration Deadline

6/27/24 - Final Payments Due



**ABOUT WAM**



# Darius A. Journigan

Instructor/ On-Set coach

Originally from Detroit but currently based in Chicago, I have been dedicated to the art, craft, and business of Acting for over two decades! After studying acting at California Institute of the Arts, then Marymount Manhattan College and The American Academy of Dramatic Arts in New York City, I went on to train with some of the best acting and speech coaches.

I am a well-trained actor and coach who has had the privilege of performing in various regions across the U.S. and even in Athens, Greece! Throughout my career, I've worked on films, plays, commercials, audio series, and music videos. One of my most significant accomplishments was working with Tony Award-winning Broadway Director Kenny Leon at The Public Theater's Joe's Pub on HOW BLACK MOTHERS SAY I LOVE YOU. In February of this 2023, I performed the lead role in a play called "The Realness" in honor of Black History Month, and in January 2024 I'll be beginning a 19 week tour with Shakespeare & Company as Lysander in Midsummer Nights Dream. Most recently, I appeared as a supporting role in the feature film "McKenzie McCoy," now available on Amazon Prime. I am not just a well-trained actor and coach; I am a working actor who is passionate about sharing my knowledge and experience with others.

ABOUT

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## Baiflix

Director/dp

Hey! My name is Bailen "Baiflix" Estrada and I'm from Rockford, IL. At present, I live in the beautiful city of Los Angeles, California. My passion for directing began at the early age of 16 when I directed my first commercial. The following year, I directed a short film that rented out an entire roller rink. Recently, I was honored to be a guest director for an acting workshop in New York City. I'm currently directing music videos, commercials and short films, with the hope of one day collaborating with top talent and creating higher-budget films.

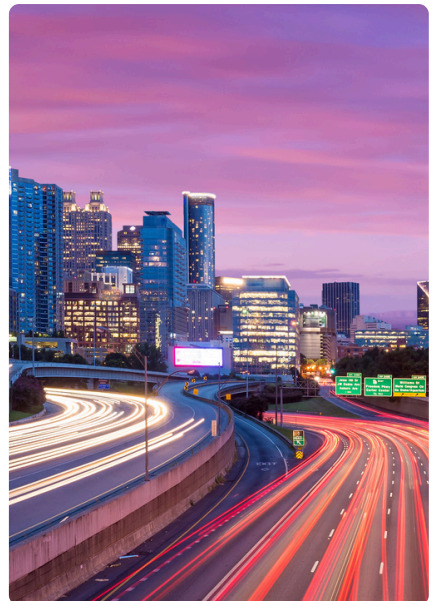


# CHECK-LIST

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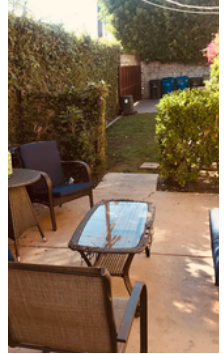
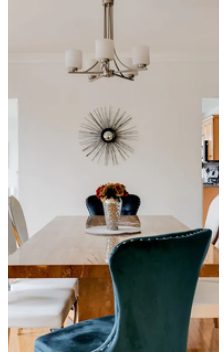
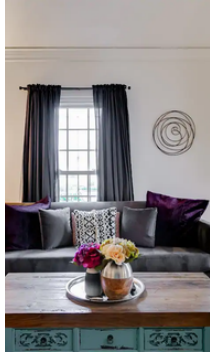
- \*\*Bring Script\*\***: Please bring your script. This is vital for the masterclass, especially for the filming day.
- \*\*Spending Money\*\***: Please bring extra spending cash for meals, transportation, or miscellaneous costs.
- \*\*Transportation Information\*\***: Have all your flight / travel details available - this could include plane tickets, car rental information, etc. Make sure you schedule departing flights for the 18th.
- \*\*Accommodation Details\*\***: Be familiar with details of provided housing, including location and any check-in/out procedures.
- \*\*Headshot & Resume\*\***: Pack multiple copies of your headshot and updated acting resume. Not required.
- \*\*Comfortable Clothes & Shoes\*\***: Pack comfortable clothing and shoes, suitably professional yet flexible for long masterclass sessions and walking around LA.
- \*\*Scene Clothing\*\***: Pack clothes suited for your character in the short film.
- \*\*Personal Essentials\*\***: Don't forget your prescription medications, EpiPen, & toiletries.
- \*\*Electronic Devices & Chargers\*\***: Bring your laptop, phone, and respective chargers. Make sure to bring adapters if they're needed.
- \*\*Healthy Foods and Snacks\*\***: Pack some healthy snacks, or find local grocery stores, especially if you have dietary restrictions.

Remember, this is a great networking opportunity so come prepared and professional!



## About WAM house

While Details for WAM House 2024 are being finalized, please enjoy this information about WAM House 2023



## Welcome home!

For Actors living at WAM House, the house will be open at 4pm on the 24th for move-in.

This gorgeous 4-bedroom / 3-bath house is located in one of the best neighborhoods in LA! Includes fully-gated driveway parking and a beautiful front and backyard. Spacious & stylish living room, two dining areas with seating for 10, fully stocked kitchen & serene outdoor space. For most of you, these are your living quarters. For all of us, this is our set. Respect it.

## HOUSE RULES

- No smoking in the house
- No loud music or disturbing neighbors
- No partying in the house at any time
- No unapproved visitors
- Kindly remove your shoes inside

check in

Actors are encouraged to arrive in Atlanta early. Those living at WAM House should arrive any time between Wednesday 7/24 4pm and Thursday 7/25 11am. Check-In for all begins at 11am with Darius at WAM House where light refreshments will be available. Here, Actors will receive their WAM 24 T-shirt, an updated daily schedule, and the final edit of the script. Guests are welcome to the check-in event. Arrive any time between 11am-2pm. Once you have received your welcome kit, you are free to explore the city, get settled into your accommodations if you haven't already, or hang out with us! Be ready to meet the Director at WAM House at 3pm. WAM House address will be sent in the week of June.

Table read & active analysis

Our table read will begin at 3pm. This is the time for you to ask any questions about the script. After that, we'll begin our active analysis of the scripts. Active analysis will last from 3:30 - 5:30pm and will lead immediately into our first workshop: Networking & Relationship Building from 5:30pm - 7:30pm.



# DAY 1



# DAY 2

Friday  
July 26th

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Time</i>
Breakfast*	8:30am - 10am
Developing Character through Backstory Rehearsal	10am - 12pm
Voice and Physicality in Horror & Sci-Fi Rehearsal	12pm - 2pm
Lunch*	2 - 3:30pm
Group Activity*	3:30pm - 7:30pm

\*Attendance is not mandatory

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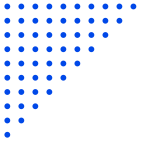
# DAY 3

Saturday  
July 27th

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Time</i>
Breakfast*	8:30am - 10am
Rehearsal	10am - 11am
Group Activity* Atlanta Ice Cream Festival Piedmont Park at 10th Street & Charles Allen Drive	11am - 3pm
Guest Instructor TBA	3:30pm - 5:30pm
Creating Suspense, Tension, Fear, and Vulnerability Rehearsal	6pm - 8pm

\*Attendance is not mandatory

subject to change



# DAY 4

Sunday  
July 28th

<i>Topics</i>	<i>Time</i>
Breakfast*	6am - 7am
Filming Lunch/Dinner	7am - 5pm
Lunch*	11am - 12:30pm
Dinner*	5pm - 6:30pm

\*Attendance is not mandatory

subject to change. This schedule could change to 12-10pm depending on lighting needs of the scenes. Final Day 4 schedule will go out early June

*just a few things to remember about*

# FILMING DAYS

- Rest well the night prior
- Hydrate well in the days leading up to, and the day of, filming
- Avoid substance use the night prior and day of
- Arrive early
- Keep your phone on silent all day
- Avoid making any type of noise once you hear "quiet on set"
- Inform production of any sensory accessibility requirements
- Any physical touch will be discussed and choreographed during rehearsal No intimate touch will be asked of any Actor at any point during this masterclass or the subsequent filming



## getting there

Traveling to Atlanta for the Working Actor Masterclass is convenient with several options:

**Airports:** Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) is the main gateway, offering numerous flights and connected to the city via MARTA rail. The smaller DeKalb-Peachtree Airport (PDK) handles private and charter flights.

**Amtrak:** The Atlanta Amtrak Station on Peachtree Street is served by the Crescent line, offering a scenic route from cities like New York, Washington, D.C., and New Orleans.

**Greyhound:** For budget-friendly travel, the Greyhound Bus Lines operate from downtown Atlanta, connecting to various cities nationwide.

These transport options cater to different preferences, ensuring a smooth journey to Atlanta for the masterclass.

## public transportation

The Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) is a great option for public transportation. It offers an extensive network of buses and trains that connect the city. MARTA trains are especially useful for reaching downtown areas and attractions like the Georgia Aquarium and Centennial Olympic Park. Fares are affordable, and you can purchase a Breeze Card for easy access to both buses and trains.

## travel tools

- [Trip Planner](#)
- [MARTA On the Go App](#)
- [Atlanta Beltline](#) (walking/biking)
- [Fares, Passes and Discounts](#)



# LOCAL THINGS TO DO

## sight-seeing & attractions

Welcome to Atlanta! Known for its rich history, vibrant arts scene, and bustling city life, Atlanta offers a multitude of experiences for its visitors. Whether you're looking to explore cultural landmarks, enjoy nature, or dive into the local culinary scene, this city has something for everyone.

Atlanta is rich in attractions and activities:

- **Georgia Aquarium:** One of the world's largest aquariums, offering an awe-inspiring view of marine life.
- **The Atlanta BeltLine:** A perfect place for a leisurely walk or bike ride, connecting parks and neighborhoods with a scenic trail.
- **Centennial Olympic Park:** A legacy of the 1996 Olympics, this park is at the heart of downtown attractions.
- **The High Museum of Art:** Offers an impressive collection of classic and contemporary art.
- **Fox Theatre:** A historic venue with a range of performances, from Broadway shows to concerts.
- **Piedmont Park:** A vast urban park ideal for picnics, sports, and simply relaxing.
- **Martin Luther King Jr. National Historical Park:** A tribute to the life and legacy of Dr. King, including his childhood home and Ebenezer Baptist Church.

These are just a few highlights of what Atlanta has to offer. The city's diverse neighborhoods, like the artsy Midtown or the historic Sweet Auburn, are also worth exploring. Enjoy your stay in this dynamic city!

See you in July!

# The Countdown **BEGINS**

