

# General American Dialect Workshop: 3-Class Intensive

**Instructor: Rae Ellen Bodie**

Too many talented Canadian actors don't get cast because they sound "too Canadian."

**Being able to work in a General American dialect is a critical tool for any actor working in Film and TV, and can mean the difference between booking a job or not.**

This workshop will help you to identify the differences between the Canadian and American English dialects: general characteristics, specific vowel and consonant changes, melody, and word pronunciations. By the end of the workshop you will have learned:

- Some of your own specific Canadian speech sounds.
- How to locate US sound samples, what to listen for and how to practice with them.
- How to "score" a US script in respect of sound changes.
- How to practice these sounds and integrate them into your work.

The workshop takes place the following days/times:

- Tuesday, June 12: 5:00pm-8:00pm
- Thursday, June 14: 5:00pm-8:00pm
- Tuesday, June 19: 5:00pm-8:00pm

Classes will be held at the Professional Actors Lab studio at 72 Stafford, Ste. 301  
The cost of the workshop is **\$370.00** (HST included)

**\*PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS NOT AN ACCENT REDUCTION CLASS\***

**Admission is on a first-come-first-served basis and enrolment is limited to 12 students. As this class is offered infrequently and fills quickly, please apply early using our ONLINE APPLICATION FORM, at: <http://www.hinzsite.com/proactors/classes/bodie.php>**

*Payment is required upon application.*

**Rae Ellen Bodie** has been acting, coaching and teaching professionally for over 25 years. She has extensive on-set experience and has served as Dialogue Coach on numerous TV and film projects, including her recent gigs coaching lead Anna Friel in a General American Dialect on STARZ series *The Girlfriend Experience*, and Clive Standen on NBC series *Taken*. Other Dialogue/Acting coach credits include: *Beauty And The Beast* for CW, *Lucky 7* for ABC, *Reign* for CW, *XIII: The Series* for Showcase, and *Transporter* for HBO. She has also worked as a private coach for many fine actors, including Rachel McAdams, Scott Speedman, Diego Klattenhoff, Paul Blackthorne, Jared Harris, Tatiana Maslany, Sergio Di Zio, Zoie Palmer and Rossif Sutherland.

