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Based on her experiences at the legendary Herbert Berghof studio in New York City, Carol Rosenfeld's *Acting and Living in Discovery* is an essential workbook for actors of all types that focuses the actor's homework—the work an actor must do outside of the classroom and between rehearsals. Provides both practical guidance for developing the craft of acting and helpful exercises for self-discovery that make an actor an artist. This fourth edition gives a new generation of Canadian artists an up-to-date guide to the business of acting. Stanislavski's 'system' has dominated actor-training in the West since his writings were first translated into English in the 1920s and 30s. His systematic attempt to outline a psycho-physical technique for acting single-handedly revolutionized standards of acting in the theatre. Until now, readers and students have had to contend with inaccurate, misleading and difficult-to-read English-language versions. Some of the mistranslations have resulted in profound distortions in the way his system has been interpreted and taught. At last, Jean Benedetti has succeeded in translating Stanislavski's huge manual into a lively, fascinating and accurate text in English. He has remained faithful to the author's original intentions, putting the two books previously known as *An Actor Prepares* and *Building A Character* back together into one volume, and in a colloquial and readable style for today's actors. The result is a major contribution to the theatre, and a service to one of the great innovators of the twentieth century. *Voice and the Actor* is the first classic work by Cicely Berry, Voice Director of the Royal Shakespeare Company and world-famous voice teacher. Encapsulating her renowned method of teaching voice production, the exercises in this straightforward, no-nonsense guide will develop relaxation, breathing and muscular control - without which no actor or speaker can achieve their full potential. Illustrated with passages used in Cicely Berry's own teaching, *Voice and the Actor* is the essential first step towards speaking a text with truth and meaning. Inspiring and practical, her words will be a revelation for beginner and professional alike. Through interviews with film and TV casting directors, the book brings to light preferences and prejudices that will ultimately affect an actor's job opportunities. "Do you have any notes for me?" Actors always ask for notes on their performance, and they will take them from just about anyone. Ron Marasco's *Notes to an Actor* grew out of the actor's profession. In his years as an actor, scholar, and teacher of acting, Mr. Marasco found that most acting books were either outdated classics that were rarely read, or quasi-textbooks that actors only "skimmed." So he developed *Notes to an*

Actor, a compact, user-friendly book geared specifically to the way actors work. The book is based on the innovative idea that notes, given one on one, are the essential tool of creative learning. Includes selected pieces, drawn from Greek drama, Shakespeare and his contemporaries, restoration comedies, and eighteenth century drama, for two or more people. A masterful introduction to the actor's craft presents a series of rigorous but flexible exercises, based on the Meisner Technique of acting, designed to help actors deal with a wide variety of performance challenges. Original. 15,000 first printing. In *To the Actor* Michael Chekhov has recorded brilliantly the results of his many years of experimenting, testing and verifying in the professional theater and schools of the theater. He brings to actors far greater insight into themselves and the characters they are to portray, which enables them to approach any role with new ease and skill. " *To the Actor* is by far the best book that I have read on the subject of acting. Actors, directors, writers and critics will be grateful for it. It should prove enlightening to theatergoers who wish to deepen their appreciation for fine acting and thus help to invigorate the theatrical art. " —Gregory Peck " I think without a doubt every creative person in the theater will want to have it as a constant reference book, outside of its being, in my opinion, absorbing and entertaining reading. " —Yul Brynner (from the Preface) " One of the most remarkable and practical books on the technique of acting I have ever read....Enthusiastically recommended to all theatre collections of whatever size. " —Library Journal *The Actor's Script* offers a clear, concise, and easily assimilated technique for beginning scriptwork specifically tailored to actor's requirements and sensibilities. "Many high school theatre teachers do not have access to intensive voice instruction. Rena's book will fill that void. It is instructive, concise, easy to understand, and most importantly for the high school student, fun. High school teachers will find the book an invaluable voice and acting resource. It would be beneficial to all high school theatre programs to have *Voice and the Young Actor* as a textbook." Kim Moore, High School Teacher, Colorado There are thousands of students enrolled in school drama classes in yet very often young actors cannot be heard, are culturally encouraged to trail off at the ends of sentences, and habitually use only the lowest pitches of the voice. Drama teachers, frequently ask, "How can I get my students to speak up, to be clear, to articulate?" *Voice and the Young Actor* is written for the school actor, is inviting in format, language and illustration and offers clear and inspiring instructions. A DVD features 85 mins and 28 filmed voice workshop exercises with the author and two students. These students log their reflections in the book on what they have learned throughout their training and there is space for the reader to do the same. A workbook in format, *Voice and the Young Actor* provides simple, interactive vocal exercises and shows young performers how to take voice work into acting. "Scotfield, however, is adamantly not a celebrity actor. As guardian of his craft and integrity, he has kept himself most carefully out of the limelight. This, in fact, is the first full biography of him. Garry O'Connor, highly respected for his theatrical biographies, presents a richly drawn, fully dimensional portrait of the great actor. O'Connor interviewed the intensely private Scotfield himself, as well as many of the actors and directors he has worked with, including Simon Callow, Trevor Nunn, Richard Eyre, and Peter Hall. The result is a biography of one of the past century's most remarkable and enigmatic icons."--BOOK JACKET. For over twenty years, Robert Benedetti's highly acclaimed *The Actor at Work* has offered students a thorough focus on the underlying principles of the acting process. Now in its eighth edition, *The Actor at Work* continues to present an experiential sequence of exercises designed to help actors develop a complete understanding of the physical, vocal, analytical, and ethical aspects of the actor's art. For anyone interested in acting. An introduction to the fundamentals of beginning acting, this

book enhances students' appreciation of the art of acting by helping them realize that they already possess, in principle, the basic skills of the actor: the ability to play a role, the ability to fulfill the sense of drama and to structure dramatic scenes, and the capacity to express emotion. Drawing exercises and examples from students' everyday lives and from well-known films and television programs, the author succeeds in deducing dramatic principles from those experiences and then applying them to everyday life for artistic purpose. *Creativity: the Actor in Performance* focuses on what it takes to be a creative performer. Many stage-actors succeed in rehearsals, yet under-perform where it counts—in performance. But, as actors know, performance is a thing unto itself—something is going to have to happen out there beyond anything that happened in rehearsals. This book provides actors, their teachers and directors with insights into the creativity of the actor in performance. An historical account of the emergence and development of one of the most generative concepts of our times – creativity - provides a theoretical backdrop to a critical discussion of the creativity of acting - a discussion that includes analyses of Denis Diderot, George Henry Lewes, William Archer, Konstantin Stanislavsky, Michael Chekhov, Michel Saint-Denis, Zeami and Eugenio Barba. *Creativity: the actor in performance* concludes by offering a detailed rationale for performance-oriented actor training, offering examples of workshop exercises (CREATICS) which focus on developing four main competencies crucial for successful and creative performances: situation awareness, audience awareness, divided consciousness and presence. "Awakening The Actor Within" is a 12-week workbook aimed at helping actors recover and discover their highest goals and ambitions. It's "The Artist's Way" for actors! It focuses on the subject of helping actors heal from acting "blocks" and getting the courage to act again after being discouraged or disappointed. A spirited workbook that initiates creative expansion and growth for actors. It aims to free an actor's creativity and build a healthy "acting" foundation with a simple, friendly, approach called Acting Practice. The user-friendly workbook teaches actors to form healthy acting habits and rebuild confidence as it guides actors through a series of daily and weekly exercises that empower them with practical tools to overcome their "blocks" (fear, anger, self-loathing, jealousy, self-sabotage, and money). The workbook is set up in a 3 act "screenplay" structure. ACT ONE: Weeks 1-4 focus on dismantling old blocks and creating a solid foundation ACT TWO: Weeks 5-6 focus on working on scripts, character, acting technique and AUDITIONS ACT THREE: Weeks 7-12 focus on marketing and branding your talents. *Stage Fright in the Actor* explores the phenomena of stage fright--a universal experience that ranges in intensity from a relatively easy-to-conceal sense of anxiety to an overwhelming feeling of terror--from the actor's perspective, unearthing its social, cultural, and personal roots. Drawing on her experience as both an actor trainer and a licensed psychotherapist, Linda Brennan recounts the testimonies of professional actors to paint a clear picture of the artistic, behavioral, cognitive, physiological, and psychological characteristics of stage fright. This book encourages the reader to reflect on their own experiences while guided by the stories of fellow actors. Their personal accounts, combined with clinical research and practical exercises, will help readers to identify, manage, and even conquer this "demon in the wings." *Stage Fright in the Actor* is an essential tool for actors and acting students. Its insight into the many manifestations of stage fright also renders it as valuable reading for acting/performing arts teachers and directors, as well as anyone who fears stepping "onstage." In "The Actor's Way," four experienced actors talk about the secrets and the practical realities of theatre training. Under the unique direction of Eugenio Barba, director of Odin Teatret and protege of Jerzy Grotowski, they explore issues such as the connections between physical and mental work on

stage, how to earn and control the spectator's attention, and how to develop intercultural performance techniques. In an interview with Erik Exe Christoffersen, the actors provide the fullest account yet of Odin Teatret's groundbreaking combination of European and Asian theatre. Linking traditions of Commedia dell'Arte to Indian Kathkali dance, these actors have been at the forefront of a genuinely new kind of performance. "The Actor's Way" is a fascinating account of personal and professional development in the theatre. It will be vital reading for drama students and actors, and enjoyable and illuminating for anyone interested in the craft of acting. This clearly written guide to the Stanislavski method has long been a favorite among students and teachers of acting. Now, in light of books and articles recently published in the Soviet Union, Sonia Moore has made revisions that include a new section on the subtext of a role. She provides detailed explanations of all the methods that actors in training have found indispensable for more than twenty years. Designed to create better actors, this guide will put individuals in touch with themselves and increase personal sensitivity as well. An Actor's Work on a Role is Konstantin Stanislavski's exploration of the rehearsal process, applying the techniques of his seminal actor training system to the task of bringing truth to one's chosen role. Originally published over half a century ago as *Creating a Role*, this book was the third in a planned trilogy – after *An Actor Prepares* and *Building a Character*, now combined in *An Actor's Work* – in which Stanislavski sets out his psychological, physical and practical vision of actor training. This new translation from renowned scholar Jean Benedetti not only includes Stanislavski's original teachings, but is also furnished with invaluable supplementary material in the shape of transcripts and notes from the rehearsals themselves, reconfirming 'The System' as the cornerstone of actor training. A founding member of Peter Brook's international theatre company, Yoshi Oida infuses his acting and directing with the artistry of the Oriental traditions and a mastery of Western forms. In this disarmingly accessible study of the art of acting he shares his unique experience and range of expertise. *An Actor's Tricks* offers a meticulous scrutiny of the actor's preparation for performance and comes with a foreword by Peter Brook. Drawing on an unrivalled wealth and range of expertise in the fields of acting, directing and training, Yoshi Oida and Lorna Marshall provide an authoritative and fascinating study of the art of the actor. In scrutinising the process of performance from the twin perspectives of the actor and director, *An Actor's Tricks* is filled with hints, insights and stories from productions with Peter Brook and from around the world. Beginning with the daily preparation to train the body, it moves to the process of rehearsal for a performance right up to the moment when the actor steps onstage. An appendix of practical exercises is included for the actor to follow. The book combines principles and techniques from both Western and Eastern disciplines of acting to provide a masterful study essential for every actor and director. It is 1991 when Ethan Jones finally wins the role of his dreams in an upcoming, big screen movie. With the envelope holding the script clutched in his hand, he arrives at his California apartment where he can hardly wait to tell his girlfriend the exciting news. But when he finds the door unexpectedly ajar, he has no idea that in just a few seconds, the life he has fought so hard to obtain will be shattered. Eight years earlier, Ethan is attending university in Ottawa, Canada. One evening after seriously contemplating suicide, he finds his way into a club where he meets Mila Monahan, a beautiful acting student who saves him from himself. After he watches Mila rehearse a university play, Ethan catches the acting bug and decides to pursue his own creative passions, causing a collision with his more secure ideals. But when Mila suddenly disappears, Ethan vows he will never stop chasing the dream she inspired in him, believing in a world entirely different from the one he is living in. *The Actor* is a gripping tale of

a young man's unforgettable journey of self-discovery in overcoming the trauma of a personal tragedy. It is a story of love, hardship, persistence and overwhelming joy where The Actor learns he can portray anything he can imagine. 6 working actors describe their methods and philosophies of the theater. All have worked with playwright David Mamet at the Goodman Theater in Chicago. Singing and the Actor takes the reader step by step through a practical training programme relevant to the modern singing actor and dancer. A variety of contemporary voice qualities including Belting and Twang are explained, with exercises for each topic. This is the first English translation of Michael Chekhov's two-volume autobiography, combining *The Path of the Actor* (1927) and extensive extracts from his later volume *Life and Encounters*. Full of illuminating anecdotes and insightful observations involving prominent characters from the MAT and the European theatre of the early twentieth century, Chekhov takes us through events in his acting career and personal life, from his childhood in St. Petersburg until his emigration to Latvia and Lithuania in the early 1930s. Accompanying Chekhov's witty, penetrating, and immensely touching accounts are extensive and authoritative notes compiled by leading Russian Chekhov scholar, Andrei Kirillov. Anglo-Russian trained actor Bella Merlin provides a useful hands-on overview of how the contemporary practitioner might utilise and develop Chekhov's ideas. Chekhov was arguably one of the greatest actors of the twentieth century. His life made a huge impact on his profession, and his actor-training techniques inspired many a Hollywood legend – including such actors as Anthony Hopkins and Jack Nicholson -while his books outlining his teaching methods and philosophy of acting are still bestsellers today *The Path of the Actor* is an extraordinary document which allows us unprecedented access into the life, times, mind and soul of a truly extraordinary man. I HAVE been on the stage for more than forty years. My profession and its problems have been the principal interest in my life. It is natural that such an extended association with the theater should yield certain technical theories on my art; and, since I am nearing sixty, it is natural that I should want to talk about them. I do not regard any opinion I hold on the subject of acting as infallible; I learn something new about my profession every day; but there is one claim I make for the opinions I state in this book: they are not hasty. They have been two score years in taking shape. I have watched many young people start their careers on the stage; I have seen some of them rise to success, and others sink to oblivion. It has seemed to me that the difficulties each met, and the mistakes each was likely to make were, in a general way, always of the same character. They were the difficulties and mistakes which all actors encounter. There is no lack of books dealing with the lives of those in the actor's profession. But few of them shed any light on the technique by which the admired actors of the past rose to high place. They are mostly pleasant, chatty reminiscences of their personal lives, whereas it is their professional lives that are significant. However, in this little study, I have not attempted an autobiographical account of my early struggles in the profession, nor a story of my experiences on the stage; I have rather tried to derive from my experiences some truths which might be of service to the beginning actor, to state as concretely as possible some of the simple principles which bitter experience has made me believe are sound.—Louis Calvert How does an actor learn to: \* Call up emotion? \* Develop a character? \* Strengthen awareness? These are essential techniques for every actor, and Michael Chekhov's classic work *To the Actor* explains, clearly and concisely, how to develop them. Chekhov's simple and practical method - successfully used by professional actors all over the world - trains the actor's imagination and body to fulfil its potential. This handbook for actors (and directors) has been revised and expanded by Mala Powers. It includes: a

previously unpublished chapter on 'Psychological Gesture', translated into English by the celebrated director Andrei Malaev - Babel; a new biographical overview by Mala Powers; and a foreword by Simon Callow. One of the most talented actresses of her generation, Meryl Streep provides a high benchmark by which others are measured. In films such as *The Deer Hunter* (1978), *Kramer vs. Kramer* (1979), *Mamma Mia* (2008), and *The Iron Lady* (2010), Streep has astounded audiences with her ability to fully inhabit characters. She has received 17 Academy Award nominations and 27 Golden Globe nominations – more nominations than any other actor in the history of either award. *Meryl Streep: Anatomy of an Actor* is a new addition to *Cahiers du Cinema*, a fascinating series from the world-renowned cinema magazine. The book focuses on ten key performances, exploring the unparalleled career of Meryl Streep through narrative and analytical text accompanied by 300 images, including film stills and set photographs, as well as film sequences, script notes, and more. This thoughtful and lively examination of Streep's craft will appeal to film professionals and casual movie fans alike.

"Recent developments in scientific thinking about the connections between biology and cognition require new ways of understanding many elements of human activity, including: imagination, emotion, memory, physicality and reason. *The Actor, Image, and Action* looks at how these are in fact inseparable in the brain's structure and function, and their crucial importance to an actor's engagement with a role. The book vastly improves our understanding of the actor's process and is a must for any actor or student of acting."--BOOK JACKET.

Extraordinary lectures, including exercises.--Call Board

In *The Power of the Actor*, a Los Angeles Times bestseller, premier acting teacher and coach Ivana Chubbuck reveals her cutting-edge technique, which has launched some of the most successful acting careers in Hollywood. The first book from the instructor who has taught Charlize Theron, Brad Pitt, Elisabeth Shue, Djimon Hounsou, and Halle Berry, *The Power of the Actor* guides you to dynamic and effective results. For many of today's major talents, the Chubbuck Technique is the leading edge of acting for the twenty-first century. Ivana Chubbuck has developed a curriculum that takes the theories of the acting masters, such as Stanislavski, Meisner, and Hagen, to the next step by utilizing inner pain and emotions, not as an end in itself, but rather as a way to drive and win a goal. In addition to the powerful twelve-step process, the book takes well-known scripts, both classic and contemporary, and demonstrates how to precisely apply Chubbuck's script-analysis process. *The Power of the Actor* is filled with fascinating and inspiring behind-the-scenes accounts of how noted actors have mastered their craft and have accomplished success in such a difficult and competitive field.

Drama. Translated from the French by David Willinger. Michel de Ghelderode (1898-1962) was a Belgian playwright who is ranked by many as a key member of the international avant-garde, on par with Beckett, Brecht, Ionesco, Genet and Pinter. Writing most of his plays between 1918 and 1937, he wasn't discovered in Europe until after World War II, where he was hailed as the "Belgian Shakespeare," and in America until the 1960's. Both discoveries led to great, though still cult level, popularity. In the early 60's not a week went by without a production of one of Ghelderode's plays happening somewhere in the United States. This unique volume includes three plays--*The Siege of Ostend*, *The Actor Makes His Exit* and *Transfiguration in the Circus*--in their first-ever English translation.

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