

[ALUMNI PROFILES]

The Artist

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Actor

Acting is not a career you can choose on a whim. This is a lifestyle choice that requires a great amount of passion and love to overcome the inevitable long hours, little sleep, constant auditions and subsequent rejections.

So much of acting is studying, understanding and interpreting human interactions in a way that is sensitive, honest, and without judgment; it requires a great deal of interdisciplinary study. Reading a new play sends my little scholar's heart singing as I learn more about the world. The discoveries are exhilarating. Every rehearsal and performance is alive with characters encountering each other for the first time all over again. Each night we create something real and electric and breathing. It's magic.

