303B INTERMEDIATE VOICE AND SPEECH SYLLABUS

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Office Hours: Wednesdays 12:30 - 3:00, Thursdays 11-4 or by appointment
Class meets: T/TH 9:30-10:50

Required Text: *Speak with Distinction* by Edith Skinner

Required Dress: Students should wear clothes that allow for total freedom of movement. Ideal clothing for this class is sweat pants or shorts and a long or short sleeved t-shirt. Dancewear is also permitted. **Absolutely no jeans, flip flops, sandals, clogs. Long Skirts and fans will be necessary for performance projects for the women. Men are required to wear dress shoes with a low heel. And have a long handkerchief for performance projects.**

Course Content: Course will consist of lectures, demonstrations, vocal and physical warm-ups, exploration exercises, written assignments, (transcriptions, quizzes and written homework), and performances.

Course Outcomes:
Students successfully completing Intermediate Voice and Speech must be able to:

- Independently demonstrate a twenty minute vocal and physical warm up.
- Demonstrate the ability to transcribe assigned texts into IPA.
- Demonstrate, through transcription and performance, the ability to create a character using vocal centers, icons and actions.
- Demonstrate through transcription, recognition of iambic pentameter and performance, the ability to create a character using heightened language

Class Requirements: Students successfully completing Intermediate Voice and Speech must:

- **Attend and actively participate in all class meetings, discussions, exercises and projects.**
  Attendance is mandatory and three absences results in a dropped letter grade. Six absences is an automatic failure of this course. All performance and written work is due at the scheduled times. Late work will only be accepted at the discretion of the instructor and may be reflected in the grade. **Turn off your cell phone. Cell phone use/texting is prohibited in class. Use of your phone during class results in an absence for the day.**

- **Perform Three** prepared monologues one of which is the final exam.
Transcribe and score all monologues performed in class.

**Final Grade Breakdown:**

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