



**A DIRECTORS GUILD OF GREAT BRITAIN
& DIRECTORS GUILD TRUST WEEKEND WORKSHOP**

A UNIQUE MASTERCLASS IN THE ADVANCED TOOLS OF DIRECTING ACTORS BY SIMON PHILLIPS

Friday 2nd July – Sunday 4th July 2010 - Shaw Theatre, London NW1

Have you ever felt that all the existing methods were for the actors to do great work, and there was some deep, dark secret that the experts weren't telling about what a director can do?

In January the Guild staged an introduction to *Advanced Tools of Directing*. The workshop sold out immediately and garnered high praise from participants. Simon Phillips' ground-breaking techniques give directors their own unique methodology, neither dependant on theories of writing nor acting, but relating specifically to the director's craft. He brings new insight and clarity to the complex task of directing film - and though Simon's methods are targeted at film for now, they are equally applicable to the theatre.

The Guild is now delighted to promote a weekend master-class exploring the *Advanced Tools of Directing* in detail. Because of the one-to-one nature of Simon's work, places are very limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment. The Guild is able to offer a limited number of heavily discounted placements.



www.toolsofdirecting.com

About Simon Phillips

Simon Phillips is a Direction Coach for feature film directors and script development. Oscar-winning filmmakers and experienced professional writers, directors and producers of films and TV series as diverse as *The Full Monty*, *Sex In The City*, and *Cracker* have all worked with Simon's unique approach. His seminars have been given in Europe and Hollywood and the Guild is very proud to help bring Simon's methods to the UK.

Purpose of the Course

Preparation work on the script and powerful direction of actors are vital to engage your audience. Directors need to have the tools and the skills to be able to direct effectively under the pressure of production and yet keep their creative ideas fresh and true.

Course Content

- Defining your story in a new simple way
- Creative reading of a script that empowers the director
- Rehearsal planning to quickly get great performance
- Back story improvisations to rapidly solve problems

What skills will I achieve?

- Master the foundation of Tools of Directing
- Identify what is missing in a script, and scenes that spoil story
- Quickly build character biographies that give you power over the story
- Use character motivation to get great performance

What else will I take away?

- At the end of the workshop you will have access to a new software tool that empowers your script preparation
- The participants will be able to join a network that gives further training, tools and support for professional directors using the latest technologies.

Dates: The class will take over 5 sessions at the Shaw Theatre and the Novotel Hotel: Friday 2nd July 7-9pm, Saturday and Sunday 3rd & 4th July 10am-1pm & 2-5 pm

Venue: The Shaw Theatre, 100-110 Euston Road, London NW1 2AJ
Refreshments and lunches are provided.

Fee: £400 for "Buy now", Corporate and Production Company Tickets
£250 for successful applicants to the DGGB Bursary scheme (deadline 22nd June)

To apply for a bursary, please send an email to guild@dqgb.org with the subject line *Tools of Directing Bursary* - or apply online at www.dqgb.org/training by 22nd June. We require a current CV and a short statement of intent of how you will use the Tools. Bursaries will be awarded by selection – application alone does not secure a place.

- **CHEQUE:** made payable to *The Directors Guild Trust'*
posted to: *Guild Workshops, DGGB, 4 Windmill Street, London W1T 2HZ*
- **CREDIT / DEBIT CARD:** phone Guild Office on *0207 580 9131*
- **BACS / INTERNET TRANSFER** payable to: *Directors Guild Trust*
Reference: *TODJulyYourSurname*
Sort Code: *56-00-14*
Account Number: *00129518*
- **PAYPAL** at <http://www.dqgb.org/training.php> (click on this event)

NB - Please notify us of BACS, Internet or Paypal payments by email to guild@dqgb.org – thanks.
If you have any special access or other requirements please advise the office. If you book for this event and are not a Guild member, we will place you on a mailing list so you can receive information on future events; please let us know if you would rather be removed from this mailing list.

Cancellation Policy: If you are unable to attend for any reason we will refund your full payment less an administration charge of £10 up to the 25th of June. Thereafter we will deduct 1/4 of the cost of your place. If we cancel the event, we will refund the full cost of your place.

"These are simple tools, and yet some of the most powerful, eye-opening methods ever revealed about how to instantly succeed in directing.