

BOOK IT! AUDITION TECHNIQUE WORKSHOP SCHOLARSHIP

Adult Scholarship Program Policy

I. Program Purpose

The Book It! Audition Technique Workshop Scholarship Program provides financial assistance to adults who demonstrate a sincere commitment to developing their acting and audition skills but face financial barriers to accessing professional training.

Through the generosity of corporate sponsors, individual donors, and community partners, the program seeks to expand access to practical instruction in audition preparation, script analysis, character development, on-camera performance, and professional audition techniques.

The program welcomes individuals at different stages of their acting journeys, including beginners, returning performers, and actors pursuing more advanced professional opportunities.

II. Scholarship Awards

The program may award the following forms of assistance, subject to available funding:

Full Tuition Scholarship: Covers 100% of the published tuition for one designated Book It! Audition Technique Workshop.

Partial Tuition Scholarship: Covers a designated portion of the published tuition, such as 25%, 50%, or 75%. The award letter will identify the exact amount and any remaining balance.

Scholarships cover workshop tuition only unless the award letter specifically identifies additional covered expenses. Travel, lodging, meals, equipment, and other personal expenses are not included by default.

Scholarships are nontransferable, have no cash redemption value, and may not be exchanged for other services.

III. Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must:

1. Be at least 18 years of age by the workshop start date.
2. Express a genuine interest in developing acting, audition, or performance skills for film, television, theater, or commercial work.
3. Explain how financial assistance would improve their ability to participate.
4. Submit a completed application and personal statement.

5. Demonstrate a willingness to learn, receive constructive feedback, and participate respectfully.

6. Confirm availability for the workshop dates and agree to the attendance expectations.

No prior professional acting credits, agency representation, formal acting education, headshots, or audition reel are required.

IV. Selection Priorities

Recipients will be selected using a standardized 100-point evaluation rubric.

The program will consider:

- Financial need: The extent to which tuition creates a barrier to participation.
- Commitment to development: The applicant's willingness to practice, learn, and pursue their goals.
- Acting potential and readiness to grow: The applicant's curiosity, self-awareness, coachability, and ability to identify areas for improvement.
- Clarity of goals: The applicant's understanding of how the workshop supports their development.
- Attendance and participation: The applicant's ability to attend and engage in the full workshop.

Potential will be evaluated based on readiness to learn and develop, not merely existing talent, confidence, polish, or professional experience.

V. Award Determination

Applicants will be scored using the same published rubric. Awards will be determined based on the evaluation results, demonstrated financial need, available funds, and the number of scholarships the program can support.

The highest-scoring applicants will generally receive priority. The selection committee may consider the appropriate award level based on financial need and the amount of assistance required to make participation feasible.

Applicants who meet eligibility requirements are not guaranteed an award. The program may maintain a waitlist and offer scholarships to alternate recipients if funding becomes available or a selected applicant declines.

VI. Fairness and Nondiscrimination

The program will evaluate applications consistently and without discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, religion, disability, age beyond the stated minimum, or other status protected by applicable law.

Selection decisions will not be based on personal relationships, social media following, celebrity connections, ability to provide promotional services, or willingness to endorse a sponsor.

Financial circumstances will be considered respectfully and confidentially. Applicants will not be required to disclose unnecessary sensitive financial information.

VII. Attendance and Recipient Responsibilities

Scholarship recipients agree to:

- Attend the scheduled workshop sessions.
- Arrive prepared and participate in exercises.
- Treat instructors and fellow participants respectfully.
- Accept constructive feedback professionally.
- Notify the program organizer promptly if an emergency prevents attendance.

If a recipient cannot attend, the organizer may offer the award to a waitlisted applicant. Any exceptions for emergencies will be handled consistently and reasonably.

VIII. Sponsor and Donor Participation

Sponsors and donors may contribute funds designated for full scholarships, partial scholarships, or the general scholarship fund.

Sponsors may receive appropriate acknowledgment for their support. However, sponsorship does not guarantee a scholarship award to a particular applicant.

Unless a separate, clearly disclosed program is established, sponsors and donors will not select recipients based on personal preference, request access to confidential application materials, or influence individual scoring decisions.

Scholarship funds will be tracked and applied to the designated educational purpose. The program will communicate the number of awards granted and the impact of the funding, while protecting recipient privacy.

IX. Application Review and Appeals

Applications will be reviewed by the program administrator and, when available, a selection panel. Reviewers will disclose conflicts of interest and recuse themselves from evaluating applicants with whom they have a close personal or financial relationship.

Applicants will be notified of decisions using the contact information provided. The program may establish a review process for documented administrative errors, eligibility misunderstandings, or scoring inconsistencies. Appeals do not guarantee an award.

X. Program Administration

The program administrator is responsible for maintaining the application process, scoring records, scholarship award letters, sponsor contributions, and recipient attendance records.

The policy and award amounts may be updated for future workshop cycles to reflect funding availability, program needs, and applicable legal requirements.

This policy becomes effective on the date adopted by the program administrator.