What is a CCM Acting Lab Project?

Lab Projects are extensions of the classroom, and are considered classroom projects. They are not productions and they are not advertised to the public. They are public showings of works in progress where students are working on concepts and principles from Acting, Voice, and Movement classes. They happen when a group of students have the time, the drive, and the reason to gather to work on a shared project. We encourage students to use lab projects to work on areas not covered elsewhere in the CCM Acting array of projects.

Rights and royalties are not paid.

There is no fund raising through CCM Power or the Harmony Fund.

No budgets are supplied by the Department. Students may use classroom acting furniture (cubes, tables, benches, cylinders) and panels (black and white) and lighting supplies (extension cords and clip lights and floor lamps).

Lab projects can be performed twice, usually on Friday and Saturday evenings not in conflict with other CCM Acting events. Lab Projects are presented in Room 4755 or 4735 or another acceptable venue.

Lab projects are completely student driven projects. Students are responsible for everything about the project. Students will learn to create and arrange rehearsal schedules and secure rehearsal spaces, and to find or create set, lighting, costumes, props and sound cues creatively and simply to serve the acting in the story. The focus of a lab project should be on acting and not technical elements or production values. Lab projects nurture exciting and vital work that is central to the training of an actor.

It is impossible to measure how much an actor learns by shouldering the responsibility for creating work. Lab projects allow actors to learn how to take care of an audience.

If you are interested in presenting a Lab Project visit Department Chair Richard Hess to discuss dates and then submit answers to the following questions in a Lab Project Application for approval:

**CCM ACTING LAB PROJECT APPLICATION:**

Name of Lab Project Leader:
Lab Project Participants:

Lab Project Title:
Lab Project Performance Dates:
Lab Project Location:

Lab Project Reason (state three clear goals tied to curriculum):

Please submit by e-mail: hessre@uc.edu