Everything You Wanted to Know About Working on Low-Budget Films, but were Afraid to Ask

6 - 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 26

(Details below.)

This is your chance to ask all of your questions about working in low-budget films. And, you'll probably get the answers to some questions you haven't even thought of yet. Remember, as a SAG-AFTRA member, you need to be under a union contract for all work that you do. This includes student films, your best friend's pet project, your self-produced short film and "no-budget" features.

Find out about what to expect on set, and how these films differ from the studio features and episodic television shows that you are used to. Learn where to find out about these auditions, and how to flip a non-union film to a SAG-AFTRA-covered project!

Ever wonder how to properly fill out a timesheet; how, where and when to sign your employment contract; or how to negotiate on your behalf? This is the workshop for you!

*Space is limited.* RSVP to Kathy Byrne at Kathy.Byrne@sagaftra.org.

*Park for $10* at 10 East Ontario. Enter on the north side of Ontario between Wabash and State,
then take a ticket. When you sign in, you may purchase a four-hour ticket for $10. You will need both tickets to exit the parking structure. Cash only.

**UNSHACKLED! Is Hiring**

*UNSHACKLED!,* the longest-running radio drama in history, has been produced since 1950 by the Pacific Garden Mission in Chicago.

Its production team is looking for SAG-AFTRA actors who have young-sounding voices and can convincingly play a male or female in the range of 10 to 25 years of age. *UNSHACKLED!* is produced under a special AFTRA agreement and pays $250/per show for one or two roles, with $50 added for each additional role.

If you are in this category, send a CD, picture and resume to:

Flossie McNeill  
Pacific Garden Mission  
1458 S. Canal Street  
Chicago, IL  60607

Questions? Call the Freelance Department at SAG-AFTRA Chicago, (312) 573-8081.

**SAG-AFTRA Chicago and Sidney Hillman Health Centre Team Up!**

*Providing a new health care option for members of SAG-AFTRA Chicago, including spouse or significant other, and dependent children.*

For more than 50 years, the Sidney Hillman Health Centre (SHHC) has striven to keep Chicagoans healthy by offering accessible comprehensive medical care at the most reasonable cost possible. With the support of the AFTRA Foundation, SAG-AFTRA Chicago members are able to participate in this health care option.

For $63 per month, the SHHC offers SAG-AFTRA members high-quality complete outpatient health care. The fee covers the member, spouse or significant other and dependent children.

There is no additional charge or co-pay for office visits, lab work and most other services. This includes primary care visits, OB-GYN, cardiology, physical therapy, counseling, basic X-ray, labs, podiatry and much more. A 24/7 emergency answering service with an on-call doctor is also available.

The member, spouse or significant other, and all dependent children are covered for one payment of $63 per month, that's it.

While eye exams are included, eyewear and dental services are offered at a greatly reduced cost.

**Current dental costs include:**

- Adult prophylaxis (cleaning): $20, child: $10  
- Full set of x-rays: $30  
- Bitewing x-rays (checkup x-rays): $20  
- Amalgam filling (“silver” filling): $30-50  
- Composite filling (“white” filling): $50-70  
- Porcelain crown: $625  
- Complete denture: $850/arch, $1,700/set

**Participation is Limited!**
There are a limited number of spots available in this pilot program. An open house was held at SHHC on May 15. More than 60 members have already expressed interest in the program.

If you are interested in participating, please call the SAG-AFTRA Chicago office for more information, (312) 573-8081.

**Services Offered at SHHC (No co-pay or additional fee for these services.)**

Primary Care:
- Internal Medicine and Family Practice

Specialty Care:
- Obstetrics & Gynecology
- Cardiology
- EKG
- Gastroenterology
- General Surgery
- Optometry
- Basic X-Ray
- Counseling
- Ultrasound
- Physical Therapy
- Laboratory (phlebotomy)
- Podiatry

**Other On-Site Services (Additional fees charged.)**

- Optical
- Pharmacy
- Dental Services
- General Dentistry
- Dental Hygiene
- Oral Surgery
- Root Canals
- Dentures

**History of SHHC**

Keeping the community healthy for more than 50 years

The Sidney Hillman Health Centre was first opened in 1956. Named after a founding member of the originating unions (Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers), the Centre was established to provide union members, their families and retirees comprehensive outpatient ambulatory services. Hillman, who was a labor consultant to FDR, advocated that his union be involved not only in negotiating wages but also social benefits, including health care coverage.

The Sidney Hillman Health Centre is proud to continue that legacy and to partner with SAG-AFTRA Chicago.

**Office Hours and Emergencies:**

Monday and Thursday: 1 - 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Friday and every other Saturday: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Wednesday: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Same-day appointments for primary care available, nurse triage available every day. SHHC has a 24-hour answering service for urgent matters. The physician on call will return your call within 30 minutes.
Services are administered by entities independent of SAG-AFTRA. Questions must be handled by the providers. SAG-AFTRA does not endorse any of these services.

**SAG-AFTRA Chicago Conservatory and KMRC Present:**

**Women in the Casting Room**
Joan O'Connor, O'Connor Casting  
Darlene Hunt, Extraordinary Casting  
Moderator, Alma Washington

6 - 8 p.m. Monday, July 23  
Kaufherr Members Resource Center (KMRC)  
One E. Erie, Suite 660  
Chicago, IL 60611

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Watch *The Activator* for details on *August's Conservatory events.*  
August 6 - Preparing for Your Headshot  
August 11 - Headshot Seminar

**Freelance Tidbit**
Producers are allowed to call performers for a third or fourth commercial audition without payment for the first two hours if the producer: a) limits the audition to three or fewer performers per role; b) none of the performers called back for the role are on their first audition.

**Specially Priced White Sox Tickets!**  
The White Sox are offering discounted tickets for union families to the Sunday, Aug. 5 game against the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim. For this game, specially-priced tickets are available for you, your family and friends. Please note that lower-level seats are limited.

Tickets normally priced at $44, $40, $38, $26 and $18 are available for $34, $30, $28, $13 and $9!

Please log on to the [White Sox Union Member Grand Slam Group](#) to purchase tickets. The first 10,000 children 13 and under will receive a Kids Chest Protector Backpack presented by Chicagoland Plumbing Council.

**Take Rosie the Riveter on Vacation with You**
Where's Rosie the Riveter? This summer, let's celebrate the role of labor unions in America by taking your union membership and Rosie the Riveter with you on vacation.

Visit [UnionPlus.org/Rosie](#) to download your Rosie the Riveter cutout. Then pack your bags. Take a picture with Rosie on vacation (or on your staycation!) and upload the image to the AFL-
CIO's Where's Rosie the Riveter map—click here. Watch the map fill as more and more union members add their vacation shots.

Need some money-saving tips to help plan your vacation? Rosie recommends you check out these:
- Save up to 25 percent with car rental deals from Union Plus. Choose from six top car rental companies.
- Enter to win one of four weeklong car rentals.
- Get great deals on nightly and weekly condo rentals with your Union Plus discount.

Taking a car trip? Don’t leave home without Rosie and 24-hour emergency roadside assistance. Union Plus Motor Club costs less than AAA, plus you get $40 in gas rebate vouchers when you sign up for one year.

For more details, visit unionplus.org/travel.

In response to members’ requests to stay informed, The Activator may include notice of rallies, pickets and other actions by unions and the labor movement that have not been sanctioned by the National or Chicago Board of Directors of SAG-AFTRA. This information is provided as a convenience.

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