**Special K! 2017**

**Acting Audition Materials**

**Memorization is not required, but becoming familiar**

**with the material is recommended!**

**Part 1: Monologues**

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**Part 2:** **Scenes**

Scenes will be read with a partner. **Please watch the YouTube links provided for each scene and be prepared to act out any of the characters during the audition. (Again, memorization is not required)**

**Part 3: Improv**

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**Monologue 1:**In my class, you will learn to think for yourselves again. You will learn to savor words and languages. No matter what anybody tells you, words and ideas can change the world. I see that look in Mr. Pitts' eyes like 19th century literature has nothing to do with going to business school or medical school, right? Maybe. You may agree and think yes, we should study our Mr. Pritcher and learn our rhyme and meter and go quietly about the business of achieving other ambitions. Well, I have a secret for you. We don't read and write poetry because it's cute. We read and write poetry because we are members of the human race. And the human race is filled with passion. Medicine, law, business these are all noble pursuits necessary to sustain life. But poetry, beauty, romance, and love; these are what we stay alive for.  You are here. Life exists, and identity. The powerful play goes on and you may contribute a verse." The powerful play goes on and you may contribute a verse. What will your verse be?

**Monologue 2:**

Donny was a good bowler, and a good man. He was...he was one of us. He was a man who loved the outdoors, and bowling, and as a surfer he explored the beaches of southern California from La Jolla to Leo Carillo, and up to Pismo. He died.. he died as so many young men of his generation before his time, and in your wisdom, Lord, you took him. Just as you took so many bright, flowering young men at Khe San, and Lan Doc, and Hill 364. These young men gave their lives, and so did Donny. Donny who loved bowling. And so, Theodore Donald Karabotsos.. in accordance with what we think your dying wishes might well have been....we commit your final mortal remains to the bosom of the Pacific Ocean, which you loved so well. Goodnight, sweet prince.

**Monologue 3:**
It's because it's what you love, Ricky. It is who you were born to be. And here you sit. Thinking. Well, Ricky Bobby is not a thinker. Ricky Bobby is a driver. He is a do-er, and that's what you need to do. You don't need to think. You need to drive. You need speed. You need to go out there, and you need to rev your engine. You need to fire it up. You need to grab ahold of that line between speed and chaos, and you need to wrestle it to the ground like a demon cobra. And then, when the fear rises up in your belly, you use it. And you know that fear is powerful, because it has been there for billions of years. And it is good. And you use it. And you ride it; you ride it like a skeleton horse through the gates of hell, and then you win, Ricky. You WIN! And you don't win for anybody else. You win for you, you know why? Because a man takes what he wants. He takes it all. And you're a man, aren't you? Aren't you?

**Monologue 5:**
Huh, wow, thanks, um, well, half the people in this room are mad at me and the other half only like me because they think I pushed someone in front of a bus, so that's not good. To all the people whose feelings got hurt by the burn book, I'm really sorry. You know I've never been to one of these things before and when I think about how many people wanted this, and how many people cried over it and stuff, I mean, I think everybody looks great tonight. Look at Jessica Lopez, that dress is amazing and Emma Gerber that hairdo must have taken hours and you look really pretty. So why is everybody stressing over this thing? I mean it's just plastic. A piece for Gretchen Wieners, a partial Spring Fling Queen. A piece for Janis Ian and a piece for Regina George, she fractured her spine and she still looks like a rockstar, and some for everybody else.

**Monologue 6:**
Good morning. In less than an hour, aircraft from here will join others from around the world. And you will be launching the largest aerial battle in this history of mankind.  Mankind -- that word should have new meaning for all of us today.  We can't be consumed by our petty differences anymore.  We will be united in our common interests.  Perhaps it’s fate that today is the 4th of July, and you will once again be fighting for our freedom, not from tyranny, oppression, or persecution -- but from annihilation.  We're fighting for our right to live, to exist.  And should we win the day, the 4th of July will no longer be known as an American holiday, but as the day when the world declared in one voice:  "We will not go quietly into the night!  We will not vanish without a fight!  We're going to live on!  We're going to survive!"  Today, we celebrate our Independence Day!

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**SCENE 1: Lloyd Has To Pee - Dumb and Dumber**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cHUVzj1IdeU>

Lloyd: Wow. Mmm!. Harry?

HARRY: What?

Lloyd: I know this isn’t the best time, but when you get a chance to pull over, I gotta pee.

HARRY: What  Are you crazy? I'm not pulling over now.

LLOYD:  But I gotta go. What am I supposed  to do?

HARRY:  Well... whiz in one of the empty beer bottles in the back. They’re on the floor. Just get one and..

(Lloyd grabs beer bottle in back)

HARRY: Watch the,

LLOYD: OK!

HARRY: Watch the seat!

LLOYD: Alright! (pees)

LLOYD: Ahhhhh.  Uh-oh...

HARRY: What, what's wrong?

LLOYD:  The bottle's almost full and I'm  still going.

HARRY:  Well stop going.

LLOYD:  I can't stop once I already started, you know that. Quick, get me another bottle!

HARRY: What?

LLOYD: C’mon! Hurry hurry hurry!

HARRY: Okkkkk..

**SCENE 2: Rooftop Scene - Aladdin**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J37r01MxDXE>

JASMINE:    It's all so magical.

ALADDIN:    Yeah.

JASMINE:    (She looks at him and decides to burst the bubble) It's a shame Abu had to miss this.

ALADDIN:    Nah.  He hates fireworks.   He doesn't really like flying either. (And now ALADDIN realizes it)
       That is...oh no!

JASMINE:    (She pulls off his turban) You are the boy from the market!  I knew it.  Why did you lie to me?

ALADDIN:    Jasmine, I'm sorry.

JASMINE:    Did you think I was stupid?

ALADDIN:    No!

JASMINE:    That I wouldn't figure it out?

ALADDIN:    No.  I mean, I hoped you wouldn't.  No, that's not what I meant.

JASMINE:    Who are you?  Tell me the truth!

ALADDIN:    The truth? The truth...the truth is...I sometimes dress as a commoner to escape the
       pressures of palace life. But I really am a prince!

JASMINE:    Why didn't you just tell me?

ALADDIN:    Well, you know, um...royalty going out into the city in disguise, it sounds a little strange,
       don't you think?

JASMINE:    Not that strange.

**SCENE 3: Whiskers R We - SNL**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fzcSJ1setd0>

Barbara/Furonica: CAAAATS.

Barbara: A cat is a friend with fur.

Furonica: A cat is a pillow that hugs you back.

Barbara: Cats are the croutons on the salad of life.

Furonica: A cat is an angel that poops in a box.

Barbara: So come on down for our Thanksgiving catacopia giveaway…

Barbara/Furonica: HERE AT WHISKERS ARE WE!

Barbara: Hi, I’m Barbara DeDrew

Furonica: And I’m Furonica. Like Veronica, but how a cat would say it.

Barbara: You are loca muchacha.

Furonica: Many of these rescue cats come from owners who didn’t value their specialness.

Barbara: So let’s take a look at today’s fee-lineup. (grabs cat). Alan is a Himalayan. And you can find him-a-layin on the couch.

Furonica: You should do stand-up. You’re a regular Cat Williams. For you American Idol fans, we call this cat, (grabs cat), this is Simon Cowell

Barbara: because he’s a grumpy British shorthair, and he knocked up his best friend’s wife.

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