

Actor Gil Bellows to Lead Exclusive Scene Study Series at Vancouver Film School

Acclaimed actor, director, and producer Gil Bellows returns for expanded fall series, giving actors three opportunities to collaborate on-campus at VFS.

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ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- Actor Gil Bellows will lead immersive three-day experiences at VFS in September, October, and November.
- The expanded series builds on Bellows' ongoing Scene Study workshops at VFS, bringing this specialized training opportunity back to campus multiple times throughout the fall.

- Bellows brings more than two decades of experience across film and television, including *The Shawshank Redemption*, *American Gods*, *The Handmaid's Tale*, *Ally McBeal*, *Patriot*, and *The Twilight Zone*.



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Actor, director, and Emmy-winning producer Gil Bellows leads an exclusive three-day Scene Study workshop at Vancouver Film School as part of the In-Production Bootcamp series.

[Vancouver Film School \(VFS\)](#) is expanding its ongoing In-Production Bootcamp series with acclaimed actor, director, and Emmy-winning producer Gil Bellows, who will lead three exclusive Scene Study weekends at VFS's Film Production Centre this fall.

Following the success of Bellows' previous Scene Study workshops at VFS, the actor and filmmaker will return to campus for an expanded fall series designed to give aspiring and established actors an intensive, hands-on opportunity to develop their craft in a professional film

The three-day experiences will take place September 25-27, October 16-18, and November 6-8, with each weekend combining scene study workshops, live direction, professional feedback, and on-set performances.

“At VFS, we believe that actors grow the most when they are working in a real, collaborative production environment. Gil Bellows brings a rare depth of experience as both a performer and filmmaker, and these Scene Study experiences give our students and participants the opportunity to step directly into that process. It’s an invaluable chance to refine their craft, receive professional-level feedback, and understand what it truly means to act for the screen.” — Omari Newton, Head of Acting, Vancouver Film School

ABOUT THE SCENE STUDY WORKSHOPS:

Each Scene Study weekend is structured to mirror the collaborative nature of professional film production.

The experience begins Friday evening with an introductions and meet-and-greet session, giving participants the opportunity to connect with Bellows and fellow actors. On Saturday, Advanced Acting Participants take part in intensive scene study workshops, working through selected scenes under Bellows’ direction and receiving professional feedback on their performances.

The weekend concludes Sunday with on-set performances of the final scenes, allowing participants to put their work into practice in a professional production environment. Participants can register individually or with an acting partner, but solo participants will be paired with another actor by VFS. Participants are required to submit a short audition tape and have prior acting training and/or industry experience.

GIL BELLOWES: ACTOR, DIRECTOR, & EMMY-WINNING PRODUCER



Gil Bellows coaches an acting participant during a past Scene Study workshop at Vancouver Film School.



Gil Bellows works with an acting participant during a past VFS Scene Study workshop, providing hands-on direction and performance feedback.

With an international career spanning more than two decades, Bellows has established himself as a versatile actor, producer, screenwriter, and director.

His extensive acting credits include the Academy Award-nominated classic *The Shawshank Redemption*, as well as *Ally McBeal*, *American Gods*, *The Handmaid's Tale*, *Patriot*, and the reboot of *The Twilight Zone*. As a producer, Bellows won a Primetime Emmy Award for the HBO biographical drama *Temple Grandin*.

To learn more or to register, visit: <https://vfs.edu/content/gil-bellows-acting-scene-study-series/pr>.

ABOUT VANCOUVER FILM SCHOOL

Vancouver Film School (VFS) is Canada's premier post-secondary entertainment arts institution, offering hands-on, production focused training in Film, Animation, Game, and Creative Design. Unlike traditional multi-year programs, VFS trains artists in one accelerated year, with students learning through industry-standard tools, workflows, and professional production pipelines, and graduating with a powerful production portfolio that will serve as their industry calling card. Visit vfs.edu to learn more and apply. For information on upcoming online and in-person events, visit the [events overview page](#).

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