



Improvisation/ Play Reading with Stephen Turner

Time: 1 – 3 p.m.

Date: August 8, 15, 22, 29

Location: Payap University, Keaw Nawarat Campus

The class will include a variety of theater games and warm up activities, stage movement - (learning the areas of the stage and body positions), vocal projection technique, basics of short form improv, getting into character and play reading. You do not need to have prior experience. All that's needed is the desire to explore your creative energies, meet people, try something new or simply have fun.

The only commitment is to arrive on time and be ready to hone your ability to commit to spontaneous, believable actions under imaginary circumstances.

It would be nice if we could have a small showing at the end of the course but that would be up to the group.

About your host:

Stephan Turner has been involved in theater arts for over thirty five years in the United States, Cambodia and Thailand.

Highlights of Stephan's career include:

Head of Drama department at Chiang Mai International School from 2009-2018  
Founder and Artistic Director for Stage Actors Ensemble of Chicago through  
the 1990s

Artistic Director for the Performance Loft Theater, Chicago, 1997-2003  
Founding member and Artistic Director of The Bryn Mawr Theater Co-op in  
Chicago in 1990. Teaching drama and directing musical theater for the Gary Public Schools  
Gifted and Talented Program, Little People's Theater Gary IN in the mid 80

Stephan is also the founder of the first English language Theater company in  
northern Thailand; The Gate Theater Group. Located in Chiang Mai, Thailand.  
The Gate has been in operation since 2007 and has put on over 30 productions  
since its inception. The Gate will begin its 15th season this September.

In Chiang Mai, with The Gate Theater, Stephan has directed and or appeared in  
Harvey by Mary Chase, Strange Snow by Stephen Metcalf, The Gin Game by  
D.L. Coburn , The Odd Couple by Neil Simon, The Eight by Brad Good, The  
Laramie Project by Moises Kaufman and members of the Tectonic Theater  
Project, Driving Miss Daisy by Alfred Uhry and The Exonerated by Jessica  
Blank and Erik Jensen and this past December, The Caine Mutiny by Herman Wouk.

Stephan has also worked as casting assistant for Spike Lee on his  
film Da 5 Bloods, which was released in 2020 on Netflix.  
For more about Stephan Turner visit <http://www.stephanturner.com>.

Registration required at [www.illpayap.com](http://www.illpayap.com)