**VASTA to Sponsor Programs at ATHE**

The Association for Theatre in Higher Education Conference will be held in Chicago, at the Palmer House, August 6-9, 1997. According to Carolyn Blackinton, conference planner for VASTA programs at ATHE, the conference will feature a number of exciting VASTA sponsored sessions. Listed below are the VASTA workshops and programs.

*Pre-rehearsal Text Explorations, Based on Lessac Training--Wednesday Workshop, Aug. 6, 8:00 a.m.-11:15 a.m.* Five levels of American-Shakespeare Text Explorations involving three body and three vocal energy states--General, Specific, Trinity; Chair: Dorothy Runk Mennen; Presenters: Arthur Lessac, Sue Ann Park, Yanci Yukopec, Nancy Krebs, Kathy Dunn, Mary Thomas, Fred Nelson.

**Phonetics Tutor:** Using Multi-Media to Teach the IPA--Christine Sevec-Johnson and Brian K. Johnson.

**Acquiring Dialects Directly From Native Speakers**--Marcia Douglas, Jennifer Martin, Louis Colaianni.

**Ear Training and Creating Character Voices for the Dialect Challenged**--Kathy Devecka and Elizabeth Carlin.


**Breathing Techniques for Movement and Voice**--Philip Thompson and Jeanine Thompson.

**Destructuring/Restructuring: From Breath to Speech**--Nancy Houfek, Catherine Fitzmaurice, Dudley Knight.

**Empowerment Workshop for Vocal and Acting Coaches and Actors**--Mark Alan Heckler, Kathryn Maes, Jana Darwin Sullivan.

**Techniques for Training Actors with Special Needs**--Dianne J. Winslow.

For more information about the ATHE conference or the VASTA sponsored programs contact:

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**Membership Categories**

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