**2019 Audio Description Institute**

**at the Crowne Plaza in Alexandria, VA**

Saturday, February 23 to Monday, February 25, 2019

**Saturday, February 23, 2019 - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm**

9:00 am - 9:30 am: Introductions

9:30 am - 11:00 am: Opening workshop

* The visually impaired user
* Audio Description history and theory
* Overview of fundamentals of Audio Description
* Concentration/observation
* Editing what you see
* Language
* Vocal Skills: speech and oral interpretation fundamentals

11:00 am - 11:15 am: break

11:15 am - 12:30 pm: Opening workshop (continued)

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm: Lunch on your own

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm: Opening workshop (continued)

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm: break

3:45 pm - 5:00 pm:

* Audio Description exercises
* Viewing/analysis of audio described excerpts

**Sunday, February 24, 2019 -  9:00 am - 5:00 pm**

9:00 am-11:00 am:

* Viewing/analysis of audio described excerpts
* Audio Description practicum - Individual description sessions with selected video scenes

11:00 am - 11:15 am: break

11:15 am - 12:30 pm:

* Viewing/analysis of audio described excerpts
* Audio Description practicum - Individual description sessions with selected video scenes

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm: Lunch on your own

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

* Viewing/analysis of audio described excerpts
* Audio Description practicum - Individual description sessions

with selected video scenes

3:30 pm - 3:45 pm: break

3:45 pm - 5:00 pm:

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**Monday, February 25, 2019 - 9:00 am-4:00 pm**

9:00 am - 10:45 am:

* Audio Description practicum - Individual description sessions with selected video scenes

10:45 am - 11:00 am: break

11:00 am - 12:30 pm:

* Audio Description practicum - Individual description sessions with selected video scenes

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm – Institute luncheon

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm:

* The Mechanics of Audio Description
* Audio Description Writing Software - How to get work as a describer
* Audio Description in the U.S. and around the world
* Review / Discussion

Graduation!