



In this **7-week virtual class**, students will learn the basics of how to write sketch comedy and explore comedic performance with a professional comedian and writer who currently performs on the famous U.S. sketch show, Saturday Night Live.

This class is an opportunity for students to improve their oral and written communication skills, and analyze famous sketches through an academic and creative lens. Students will learn how to use **humor as a tool** for satire and parody, and discover how to use their own unique, creative voice to generate material.



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women-centered approach
to the college prep, search
and application process.

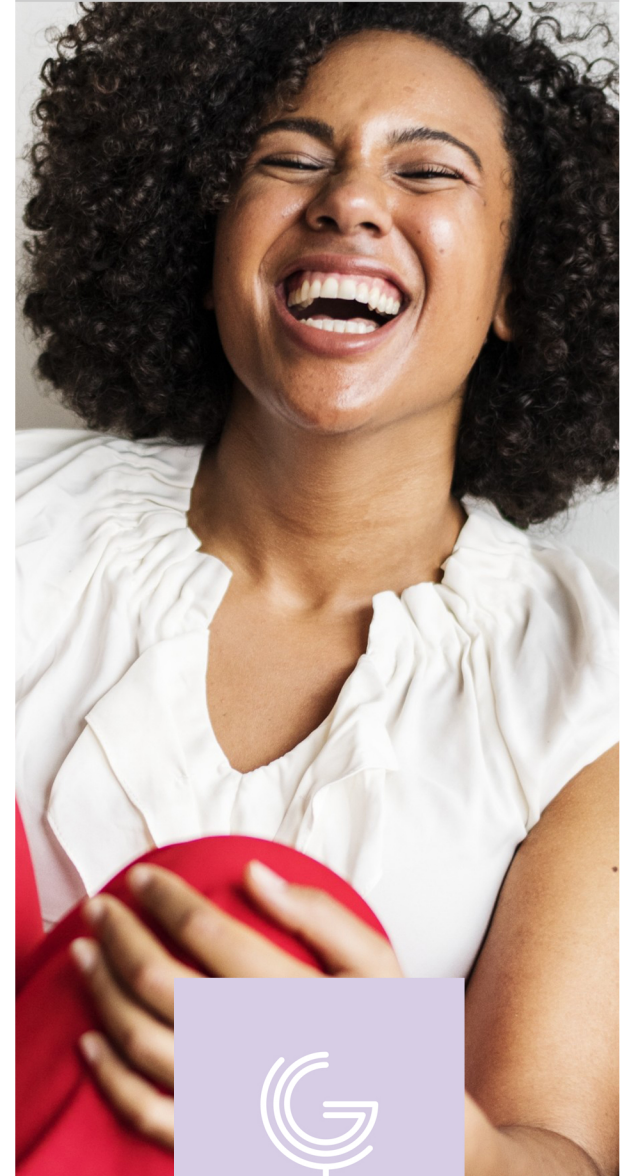


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**Just like Saturday Night Live:
Young Women's
Empowerment Through
Comedy Writing**





The class will also look at **Intersectional Feminism in Comedy** - women who are cisgender, transgender, non-binary, and LGBTQIA +.

Students will learn about incredible comedians like Hannah Gadsby, Ellen Degeneres, Kate McKinnon, Lena Waithe, Lily Tomlin, and Tig Notaro, who are using their storytelling to make room for other women in comedy and make a change.

The course will culminate with putting what we've learned into practice: a **Sketch Comedy Show** on Zoom, using the sketches we've written and edited throughout the weeks, **showcasing students' original material**. By the end of the course, each student will have their own edited, original sketch comedy packet of their writing, which can be submitted as a creative supplement to colleges.

The class can be listed on a student's activity list/resume, helping any student (regardless of intended major) demonstrate their creativity in college applications. Most importantly, **students will find their own confident comedic voice** in a safe and collaborative setting.

CLASS OUTLINE

Week One:

How to Write Sketch Comedy:
Examining "5 Point Structure"
and "The List/Repetition Sketch"

Week Two:

"Fish Out of Water"

Week Three:

"Satire"

Week Four:

"Parody"

Week Five:

Cast + Rehearse Sketches

Week Six:

Dress Rehearsal

Week Seven:

Sketch Show on Zoom

Invite friends and family to see your
writing come alive!

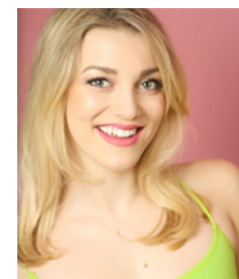
**There will be a 30-minute live show,
followed by a debrief and final
Q&A with the instructor.**

FALL SESSION

Meeting 1x/week for 2 hours from
mid-October to mid-December

**Exact class day/time*

*TBD based on student schedules**



Instructor: Jana Bernard is a professional actor and comedy writer in New York City. She has worked for 5 seasons on Saturday Night Live; other TV credits include The Half of It, Girls 5Eva; co-host of the web series Still New York.

As a stand-up comedian, Jana has performed at Broadway Comedy Club, Greenwich Village Comedy Club, Stand Up NY, The Grizzly Pear, and Comedy Cove. More importantly, she loves animals, and is the type of person who will literally change directions in order to pet a cute dog.

