



Introduction to Gail Strickland. 3:06 min. Interview: Raymond Elman. Post-Production: Mayelin Jimenez. Music: Carmen Cicero. Recorded 7/26/2021.

Gail Strickland: Consummate Actress

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GAIL STRICKLAND (B.1947) is an American actress who had prominent supporting roles in such major films as “The Drowning Pool” (1975) starring **Paul Newman**, “Bound for Glory” (1976) starring **David Carradine**, “Who’ll Stop the Rain” (1978) starring **Nick Nolte**, “Norma Rae” (1979) starring **Sally Field**, “Protocol” (1984) starring **Goldie Hawn**, and “The American President” (1995) starring **Michael Douglas**.

Strickland also appeared regularly on **MANY** network television shows, including **Seinfeld**, **The Mary Tyler Moore Show**, **The Bob Newhart Show**, **Barnaby Jones**, **Hawaii Five-O**, **Kojak**, **Lou Grant**, **M*A*S*H***, **Alice**, **Trapper John, M.D.**, **Hill Street Blues**, **Cagney & Lacey**, **Night Court**, **Family Ties**, **Dallas**, **Spencer: For Hire**, **Murder She Wrote**, **Law & Order**, **Melrose Place**, **Chicago Hope**, and **ER**.

Strickland was born in Birmingham, Alabama, one of five children, to Theodosia and Lynn Strickland. She married Neil Baker, and they have a daughter together named Maisy.

The videos below are organized by Success Factor, and run between 50 seconds and 6 minutes. Click on any video. You must be connected to the Internet to view the videos.

DEVELOP A VOICE: 1:59 min.



Where did you grow up, and what was your first awareness of art of any discipline?

DEVELOP A VOICE: 0:50 sec.



Did you write all the plays?

CRITICAL THINKING: 1:59 min.



Where did you go to school, and what did you learn that still informs you today?

OVERCOMES CHALLENGES TO SUCCEED: 1:31 min.



I assume you grew up with a strong Alabama accent.

INSIGHT & INSPIRATION: 2:36 min.



When did you become passionate about acting and decide to make it a career?

DEVELOP A VOICE: 2:41 min.



Talk about moving to New York City and pursuing a career in acting.

VALUES FIRST-RATE EDUCATION: 1:47 min.



Tell us more about your experiences with acting teacher Sanford Meisner.

SEIZES OPPORTUNITIES: 1:16 min.



What was your first professional acting gig?

SEIZES OPPORTUNITIES: 4:40 min.



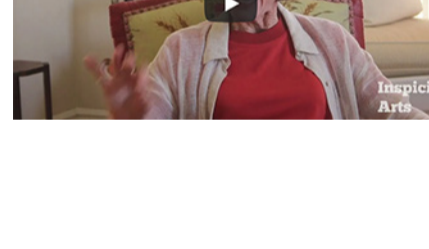
What was the arc of your career and some of the highlights?

RESPECTS OTHER POINTS OF VIEW: 1:49 min.



Before making films, were you prepared for the difference between being on stage and being in front of the camera?

SELF-CONFIDENCE: 5:28 min.



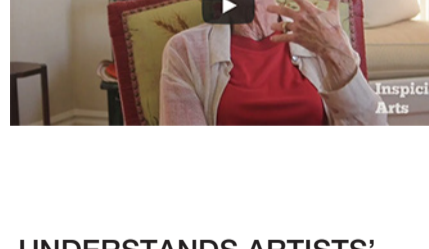
What were some of the experiences that you enjoyed the most?

INSIGHT & INSPIRATION: 2:40 min.



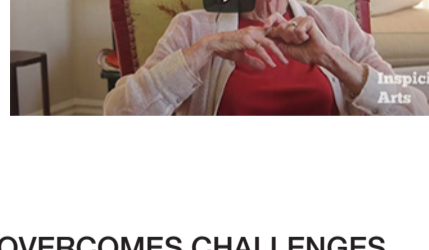
On Seinfeld you were surrounded by comic genius.

SERENDIPITY: 2:51 min.



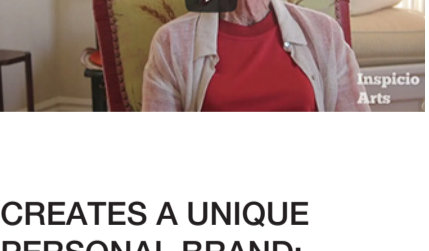
I best remember the episode in which Julia Louis-Dreyfus “borrows” your tennis racquet.

UNDERSTANDS ARTISTS’ NEEDS: 3:59 min.



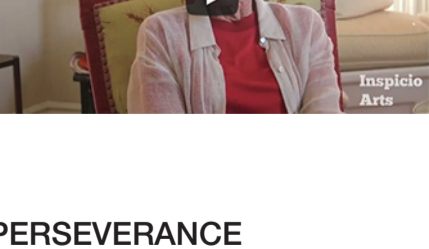
You had the opportunity to work in films with many notable actors, including Paul Newman and Sally Field.

OVERCOMES CHALLENGES TO SUCCEED: 5:40 min.



And Sally Field?

CREATES A UNIQUE PERSONAL BRAND: 4:19 min.



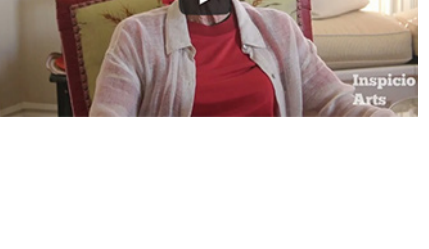
Tell us about your initiative, “Provincetown Story Night.”

PERSEVERANCE FURTHERS: 1:41 min



How far along are you in your memoir?

SERENDIPITY: 2:27 min.



What brought you from LA to Provincetown?