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6 Leading Casting Pros to Hold Free Casting Symposium, Introduce Essential New Auditioning Book

What: A free casting symposium, sponsored by Breakdown Services, designed to help actors prepare for the upcoming audition season and the launch of Nancy Bishop's new book, *Secrets from the Casting Couch*. Casting is now happening fast, online and productions are conducting international searches with the Internet casting systems, giving actors new and unique opportunities. Seven leading casting professionals will explore the changing nature of casting in the Internet age and advise actors on how to gain an edge in the market. There will be a one hour panel followed by a Q+A session.

When: Wednesday, August 4th, 2010
6:00 – 8:00pm PDT
Refreshments and book signing reception to follow symposium

Where: Showbiz Café
500 S. Sepulveda
Ground Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90049

Booking information: to reserve contact Jenna Albrecht, jennaa@breakdownservices.com

Who: **Nancy Bishop**, International Casting Director headquartered in Europe ("Prince Caspian," "The Illusionist," author of *Secrets from the Casting Couch*)
Bonnie Gillespie (moderator), Casting Director

and Author of *Self-Management for Actors*
Meg Liberman, Executive Casting Director,
CBS/Paramount **Gary Marsh (sponsor)**, owner,
Breakdown Services
Rick Pagano, Casting Director (“24,” “X-Men”)
Paul Weber, Casting Director (“Stargate” series)

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About Nancy Bishop:

Nancy Bishop, C.S.A., is an Emmy-nominated casting director, author, acting coach, and head of the [Film Acting Department at the Prague Film School](#). She has more than 60 major feature film and television projects among her credits, including the soon to be released *Red Tails* (George Lucas), *Prince Caspian*, and Roman Polanski’s *Oliver*. Please see www.Nancybishopcasting.com for more info

About [Secrets from the Casting Couch](#)

Nancy is author of the recently released *Secrets of the Casting Couch* (The Bloomsbury Group, publishers), the first book written from a casting director’s perspective that teaches the craft of film casting and offers specific techniques for working in front of the camera. Part how-to and part workbook, *Secrets* contains valuable exercises that actors can practice to achieve results in the casting studio.

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Nancy has been collaborating with Breakdown Services for years to cast actors from all over the world for work on feature film and television productions throughout Europe.

Nancy specializes in casting in Prague, the film capital of Europe. Prague has been home to hundreds of international productions, including feature films such as the *Bourne Identity*, *Van Helsing*, *The Illusionist*, *Hellboy*, *XXX* and the *Wanted* . For more information please see: www.nancybishopcasting.com

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