

## FDW/AFW Application Instructions

### **For the Acting A Fight Workshop**

Please submit the following materials to [FDWorkshop@safd.org](mailto:FDWorkshop@safd.org) with the subject line “[your name] AFW Application”.

1. Headshot
2. Acting/Performance resume. Please include relevant acting and stage combat experience (stage combat experience may include SAFD weapon testing, non-testing courses, workshops, private training, or production choreography)
3. A brief letter of intent stating what you hope to gain from the workshop.

### **For the Fight Directing Workshop**

Please submit the following materials [in listed preferred format] to [FDWorkshop@safd.org](mailto:FDWorkshop@safd.org) with the subject line “[your name] FDW Application”

1. A letter of intent. [PDF attachment]
2. Philosophy statement on the role of a Fight Director [PDF attachment]
3. Letters of Recommendation from -each- of the following:
  - a. Fight Master: The FM will not be solicited by the FDW Staff. The applicant must make the request of the FM, who in turn, submits their letter via email to the FDW Faculty at [FDWorkshop@SAFD.org](mailto:FDWorkshop@SAFD.org)
  - b. Fight Director and/or Certified Teacher. [PDF attachment]
  - c. Past employer or professional contact. [PDF attachment]
4. Provide proof of current SAFD Skill Proficiency Certification in all eight (8) weapon disciplines or *equivalent practical experience* at the time of application. The FDW Admissions Committee will confirm with the SAFD Secretary and contact the candidate with any questions. [PDF attachment or screenshot]
5. Current Resume, which must include experience as a choreographer rather than just as an assistant or fight captain. The SAFD does not encourage individuals to choreograph fights that they are not qualified and confident to teach and direct. [PDF attachment]
6. Documentation of an undergraduate degree in performance studies or equivalent practical experience. [PDF attachment or screenshot]
7. Proof of current First Aid and CPR Certificates from the American Red Cross, American Heart Association and/or other certifying bodies recognized by the SAFD Governing Body. [PDF attachment]
8. Recent footage taken of your own choreography in Armed (non-firearm) and Unarmed combat. Each video should have a 2 minute limit and include as many moves as the candidate feels necessary but with a minimum of 15 moves. [link to externally hosted video - Unlisted Youtube is ideal for this]
9. (Optional, encouraged) a link to a representative reel of your past choreography. [as above, unlisted Youtube link]

Minimum age for -both workshops-: 18 years old by June 13, 2024.

- **FDW applications are due by Thursday, February 29th at 11:59PM Central Time.** Decisions will be made by March 15, and those offered positions must accept by April 1, 2024.
- AFW applications will remain open, but after May 1st applicants must email [FDWorkshop@SAFD.org](mailto:FDWorkshop@SAFD.org) in order to ascertain whether there is space available in the workshop.

**The online registration portal is reserved for those accepted to the workshops. You will receive instructions on when and how to register if and when your application is accepted.**

-Mike Lubke  
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Fight Director Representative, SAFD

