

BFA
ACTING

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Carnegie
Mellon
University

**'Leon
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laugh til
I cried'**

*-Allyson Dwyer
of Staff Picks*

LEON
SCHWENDENER

AEA | FLUENT IN GERMAN



RESUME & REELS

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TV/FILM

How Not to Get Rid of a Body
Dead of Winter
Shopping for Bethlehem
Sunflowers
Seams

Riley Powell
Police Officer #3
Daniel
Luke
Martin

Investigation Discovery
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Ghost Radio LLC
NYU Tisch
Columbia University

STAGE

The Thanksgiving Play
The Importance of Being Earnest.
Goldhaven
A Midsummer Night's Dream
"Annie" the Lil' Orphan Objectivist
Sleeping Beauty
Unto These Hills
Macbeth
Gruesome Playground Injuries
Acts
Scrubland

Jaxton
Algernon Montcrieff
Baron Goldenteeff
Francis Flute
Paul Ryan
Prince Rocky
Will Thomas
Macbeth
Doug
Pierre Blet (S.J.).
Franklin Eagleson

Voice Theatre, Kingston NY
Voice Theatre, Kingston NY
The Brick, Brooklyn NY
Shakespeare & Co. Lennox, MA
The PIT, NYC
A.R.T./New York Theatres
Cherokee Historical Association, NC
Carnegie Mellon University
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Columbia University
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TRAINING

CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY, BFA Acting:
Acting: Barbara Mackenzie-Wood, Tony McKay, Andrew Smith
Voice & Speech: Don Wadsworth, Gary Logan
Movement: Kaf Warman, Catherine Moore
Singing: Thomas Douglas, Claudia Benack
Dance: Judy Conte, James Caton

ERNST BUSCH ACADEMY OF DRAMATIC ARTS (BERLIN, GERMANY): Antje Weber, Iris Böhm, Martin Gruber, Walter Prettenhofer

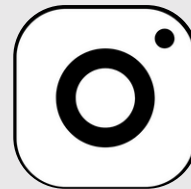
SPECIAL SKILLS: Fluent in German; three valid passports (American, German, Dutch); accents and dialects upon request.

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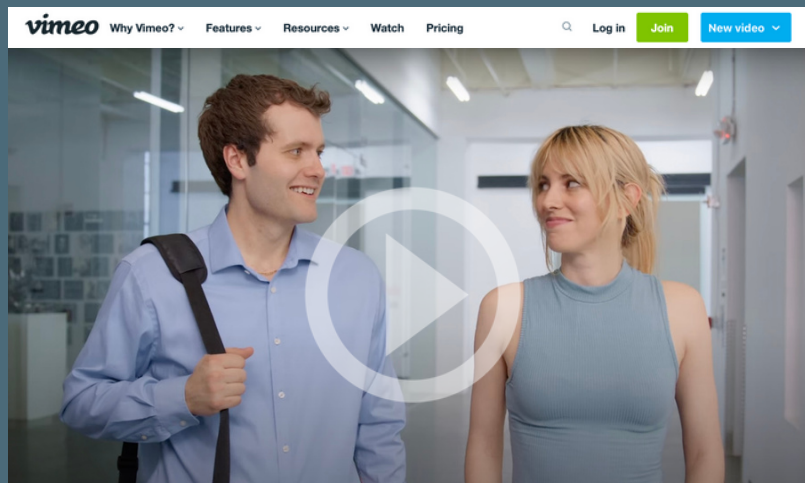
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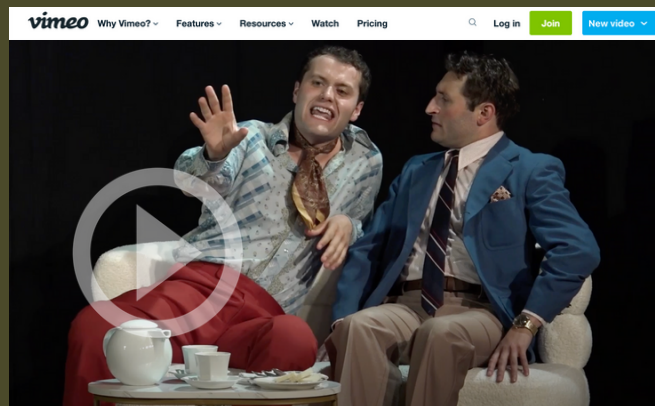


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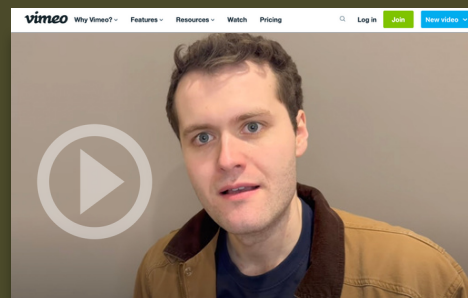
DEMO REEL



THEATER REEL



SELF TAPE



TYPE ME

"The boy next door with a quirky edge"



Will Schroeder: Mid-late 20s, rugged, with a heart of gold.

He's the boy next door in rural, middle America. vulnerable and tough at the same time. Will works construction during the day and bartends at night to support himself and his ailing grandmother. He feels trapped in his hometown, but as long as he can remember, loyalty to his small-town roots has been beaten into him. Everything changes when a beautiful woman from New York City walks into his bar one day.

Think: Lewis Pullman / Mike Faist

Justin Schudy: Mid-late 20s, charming, toxic, white collar bro

He works at Black Rock as an financial advisor and loves pulling pranks on his hapless intern, Ryan. Justin was the bully on the elementary school playground and now plays the alpha as an adult. However, beneath the cocky exterior, Justin is deeply insecure. He portrays himself as the ultimate ladies man but most women find him obnoxious and immature. Masking his feelings of inadequacy with bravado and cruelty, it's only a matter of time before Justin really hurts someone.

Think: Nicholas Hoult / Penn Badgley



Simon Bauer: Mid-late 20's, ill-fated, loveable doofus.

Simon is the perpetual loser you can't help but root for. Currently living with his overbearing stepmother back in the suburbs, Simon is recovering from a bad break-up. Rudy, his childhood best friend, got him a job as a food truck driver in the interim, while he pieces his life back together. It doesn't matter how many times you knock Simon down; nothing can break his spirit. He's more attractive to women than he thinks.

Think: Lucas Hedges / Barry Keoghan

WHAT THE PEOPLE SAY!



**"Leon made me
laugh 'til I cried"**

- Allison Dwyer
Staff Picks

**"Palpable and
delightful"**

- Bruce T. Paddock
CurtainUp,
Berkshire Review

**"Leon captures
Speaker Paul Ryan's
tense hypocrisy.
Seeing his meltdown
had people dying of
laughter"**

- Diandra
Reviews it All

**"Schwendener thrusts
and parries through a
Wildean landscape- all
with lightning-flash
reversals"**

- Tad Wise
Hudson Valley One

**"Funny, charming,
honest at every turn,
and played to
perfection by
Schwendener"**

- Max Berry,
OnStage Blog

**"The evening showcases
several very fine comic
performances, in
particular Leon
Schwendener"**

- Wendy K Arons
Pittsburgh Tattler



PRESS

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The Dastardly Thornes vs. The Town of Goldhaven (2023)

www.staffpicks.fun

A Midsummer Night's Dream at The Mount (2017)

theberkshireedge.com

Paul Ryan Presents Aynnie: The 'Lil Orphan Objectivist (2019)

diandrareviewsitall.com

"Future Ten 11" at Future Tenant (2014)

[The Pittsburgh Tatler](http://ThePittsburghTatler)

Sleeping Beauty at A.R.T./ New York Theaters (2019)

onstageblog.com

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