McClosky Institute of Voice

# YOU ARE INVITED TO APPLY TO

## THE MCCLOSKY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

***Become a CMVT: Certified McClosky Voice Technician***

**Two-year Certification Training Course – 120 hours**
**Year One: July 2027**

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The McClosky Institute of Voice is pleased to announce the first year of its next Certification Course cycle this July 2027. Because of your familiarity with the McClosky Techniques – through your experience in a seminar, workshop, or private study with a Certified McClosky Voice Technician (CMVT) – you are invited to apply for this course.

If you are interested in learning more about the McClosky Technique, please consider applying. During the course, you will be engrossed in learning about vocal anatomy, physiology, and voice disorders. You will learn how to embody the techniques to improve your personal vocal production, and how to teach the techniques to those who use their voices in a variety of ways.

In the attached information, you will find more details about the course, what is required, and how to proceed with the application process. Information is also available at www.mcclosky.org.

Thank you for your interest in the McClosky Techniques! Please contact me if you have any further questions.

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# ABOUT McCLOSKY CERTIFICATION

## *CMVT: Certified McClosky Voice Technician*

**Two-year Certification Training Course**

**Year One: January 2027**

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***The McClosky Techniques have been used successfully worldwide for more than 60 years. Developed in the 1940s and 1950s by David Blair McClosky, pioneer in the field of voice science and vocal rehabilitation, these techniques provide a complete system of healthy vocal production for song and speech, by incorporating body alignment, breath management, and relaxation exercises to free tensions that have a negative effect on the voice. The McClosky Institute of Voice, founded in 1981, is dedicated to the enhancement of the healthy voice and the remediation of voice disorders. Certified McClosky Voice Technicians are voice teachers, singers, actors, music educators, choral conductors, and speech language pathologists.***

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### Who is Invited to Apply:

Those familiar with McClosky Technique through one or more of the following:

- Experience in a seminar or workshop of the McClosky Institute of Voice
- Private study with a Certified McClosky Voice Technician (CMVT)
- Participation in a group conducted by a CMVT
- AND, a bachelor's or equivalent degree in voice, music education, speech, or a related field (significant professional experience may also be considered)

### Certification Training Course Description:

- In-depth study of the McClosky Techniques as presented in *Your Voice at Its Best*, by David Blair McClosky, 5th Edition
- Two 7-day sessions over consecutive summers, in conjunction with the MIV summer seminar
- Lectures, exams, master classes, group discussions, private lessons, assignments between summer sessions, teacher training, and teaching practicum in the seminar
- Individual technical and hands-on instruction with MIV master teachers to improve vocal production and gain personal embodiment of the techniques
- Detailed instruction in anatomy, physiology, voice disorders, professional ethics and vocabulary for interaction with other voice professionals (two online courses each year with Zoom review and home exam)
- Development of the skills to identify and solve vocal faults using the McClosky Techniques

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## Certification Training Course Requirements:

- Proficiency – explain, demonstrate, and embody proper posture, breathing for phonation, and relaxation of extrinsic laryngeal muscles, as presented through McClosky techniques
- Successful completion of written examinations in vocal anatomy, physiology, and voice disorders
- Successful completion of home assignments given between summer sessions
- Teaching practicum with instructor conferences and evaluations
- Performance in demonstration concert – preparation of vocal repertoire (singing, acting, or oratory) and applying the McClosky Techniques to personal voice use

## Course Materials to include:

- *Your Voice At Its Best*, 5th Edition, David Blair McClosky, Waveland Press, 2011
- *The Voice: A Medical Guide for Achieving and Maintaining A Healthy Voice*, Herman-Ackah, Sataloff, & Hawkshaw, Science & Medicine, Inc., 2013.
- *Your Voice: An Inside View*, 2nd Edition, Dr. Scott McCoy, InsideView Press, 2012
- *Dynamics of the Singing Voice*, 5th Edition, M. Bunch Dayme, Springer, 2009
- Texts subject to change as updates in the field emerge

## Year One – General Course Outline:

- Embodiment of the McClosky Voice Techniques
- Basic Anatomy and Physiology
- Common Voice Disorders
- Observation of CMVTs teaching the techniques in the seminar

## Year Two – General Course Outline:

- Continued Individual Instruction in the McClosky Techniques
- Advanced Topics in Anatomy and Physiology
- Applications of McClosky Techniques to Voice Disorders
- Ethics and Professionalism
- Practicum: Supervised Teaching in the Seminar

## 2027 Tuition

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| Anatomy and Physiology course | $300 |
| Voice Disorders course | $300 |
| Voice Lessons | $200 |
| Onsite class (seven days) | $1,400 |
| Room and board (estimated) | $650 |

Year 2 (summer 2028): Comparable with possible cost adjustments

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***We look forward to receiving YOUR application packet! Please include the application form, letter of recommendation from a CMVT, and official degree transcripts.***

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# APPLICATION FORM

## CMVT: Certified McClosky Voice Technician

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**Year One: July 2027**

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

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Preferred phone: _____

Current Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Higher Education – ***Please send transcript from most recent degree***
College/University Degree Major

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Recommendation form from a CMVT is required – form included
Please indicate name, email address, and mailing address of CMVT recommending you:

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Would you like graduate credit? Yes No Don't know yet

How many credits? 1 2 3 4 (1-4 credits available; $100 each)

Please return this form, with a $25 application fee payable to the McClosky Institute of Voice, to Jay Lane, CMVT-MT, 16 Grant Street, Maynard, MA 01754

Application Deadline: March 15, 2027 or before beginning first online course
Notification of Acceptance: No later than May 15, 2027

# RECOMMENDATION FORM

## CMVT: Certified McClosky Voice Technician

*Two-year Certification Training Course*

**Year One: January 2027**

Applicant's Name _____

To the recommending CMVT: The future of MIV depends upon certifying new faculty of the highest caliber. Please provide your best assessment of the applicant's ability to succeed as a CMVT. Feel free to use the back of this form or additional sheets. This information will be treated confidentially.

**How are you acquainted with the applicant?**
Seminar group participant: Year and location _____

Private student since: _____ Frequency of lessons: _____

Other: _____

**Comment on the applicant's personal use of the McClosky techniques in speaking and singing.**

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**Comment on the applicant's ability to perform well in the academic part of the course.**

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**Comment on the applicant's personal suitability as a CMVT. Is the applicant comfortable with people, hands-on work, etc.? Can the applicant cultivate the calm, professional manner and vocal use exemplifying a CMVT?**

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Signature _____

Thank you for your recommendation!
Please return by March 15, 2027 to:
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