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**RID CEU clock hours:**

I am available to sponsor participants through all of the following:

- Your organization or your own workshop, which you establish and present to get clock hours
- Independent study activities, such as: Home study with videos, research or literature reviews,

Dear Trix,

Dropping by with a warm "hello" ... Because it's Hello..ween, you know! Wishing you lots of fun and plenty of treats on Pumpkin Day!

My hands are dancing like the branches on a tree. My hands are having fun like the leaves. My hands are signing expressively like the tree shaking wildly from the wind.

I work as an itinerant presenter, and enjoy my peripatetic performing career. You all are the best!

Sincerely,

**Trix Bruce**



**BART AND SAMMIE AS ASL STORY CHARACTERS**

During my presentations and on my videos, I often mention Bart and Sammie. Who

study groups, acting as a mentor or being mentored, curriculum/workshop development, teaching a workshop for the first time, etc. Remember: Independent Study only offers up to 2.0 CEUs.

- Academic Coursework - such as college credit taken at an accredited institution

- Participant Initiated Non-RID Activities (PINRA): Coursework such as academic coursework, in-service workshops, workshops, or other non-RID conferences, etc.

If interested, contact Trix: info (at) trixbruce.com.

### Comments:

"Wow is this the real Trix Emailing me? This is so great! I got the DVD of More Classifiers Camping Adventures. LOVE it! I only wish I could own every one you made! You are so clear and FULL of great teaching information. I love to watch and learn from you. I wish I had teachers like you in my sign classes at college!! God Bless You in all you do to help everyone learn!!!! :) Thanks so much." Cyndi Hollingsworth

"Trix, I loved your workshop! Saturday's workshop was the second of your workshops I have attended. The way you present your material is both entertaining and educational. You make what we do everyday look easy, although we know it's not. Often as interpreters (we) are not (confident), flexible or view ourselves as incapable in using our bodies and faces to help communicate the message. You are (an) inspiration to expand ourselves and our knowledge. Thank you." Theresa Werts

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are Bart and Sammie? They're not just fictional characters - they're my children! As a working single mother, I created, wrote, and produced stories related to my children to help participants expand their signing skills. The success of my shows, workshops and DVDs has been a blessing! Though I had dreamed of becoming an author since I was a little girl, I ran into a brick wall when it came to book publishers, who wouldn't give my work an audience. Still, I wanted to pursue my dreams and have something to show for my life in the long run. Producing my DVDs has made me feel special because of the compliments I've been getting from you! I strongly believe in what I'm doing, and I'm happy to express this through my DVDs. My children have contributed so much to my success! I wouldn't be surprised if people would love to meet my children. My kids are enthusiastic about their growing roles in my stories. One of my children asked me if they are famous yet. Funny! Yes, I'm planning to produce many more DVDs and will always enjoy writing about my children.

### JUST IMAGINE ...

I've been wondering when airlines will provide captions or subtitles on in-flight movies. It should be easy with today's technology. But what I'd really love to have is a mobile interpreter to deal with airline check-ins and hotel clerks. I'd also love to have my luggage and briefcase following me, so that I wouldn't have to drag them along by hand! I can just imagine having my bags follow me like loyal dogs while I hold my pager in both hands, texting happily!

Wouldn't it be great, I thought, if there were a Deaf-Designed airline? It'd be awesome to have an airline provide sign-language-fluent flight attendants and captioned movies. A hotel room set up just for Deaf people would be a great thing, too. No more time-consuming struggles with alarms that have to be assembled from hotel kits prepared for hearing people with disabilities. Most of the time, now, front-desk-staff in hotels can't manage the most basic communication with Deaf consumers. It's time for me to "speak up" about this widespread problem. Starting this fall, I'm going to evaluate the hotels I visit. Deaf consumers need to make their challenges clear to hotel workers, and request devices as needed.

Check out [www.captionfish.com](http://www.captionfish.com). It's got a list of theaters showing films with subtitles! Awesome! The disadvantage is that the subtitles are available at only limited times. Wouldn't it be awesome if all movies had subtitles?



### ASL Extreme Makeovers: The Art of Personification

Transform yourself! In literature, the technique of "personification" gives inanimate objects, plants, and animals human-like characteristics. To add drama to your storytelling, you can use ASL techniques to "become" various objects. Personification allows performers to "get inside" things and show - rather than tell - what's going on. Bring objects alive as you sign!

70 Minutes  
Performed in ASL. No Voiceover.  
[DVD Sales Form](#)

## MY WORKSHOPS

I hope you'll check my website for events coming to your area! If you see any of my events coming to your area, please consider asking me to schedule another show for your organization! Also, you might consider scheduling mentoring appointments, or individual skill analysis appointments. If you provide a meeting room, your own registration will be "no charge".

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If you want to keep getting my e-newsletters - and I hope you do - please kindly update your name and address in my database. Add "interpreter, teacher, participant, retired, friend, or (other)" in the section for "company". I'll be mailing out something fun this coming December. I don't want you to miss it! I'm glad you're on my mailing list. I love adventuring together with you!



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COUPON \$15 off... Now is the time to take advantage of these great savings! Use this coupon if you would like to purchase Trix's DVD, or set up an appointment individually with her for mentoring, tutoring, or a personal evaluation of your signing or interpreting skills. You can make an appointment with Trix for next year, and if you book her before December 31, 2009 you'll get \$15 off!

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