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Memories of Time Spent with the Great Muriel Sharon

Oh my goodness! I adored Muriel and treasure the memories of her.

My memories of time spent with the great Muriel Sharon - that's what we called her started when I met her in her class at 10 years old and continued, I think for about three years after that - when I was accepted into the High School of Performing Arts (now called La Guardia High School) and left to pursue my passion in that very special New York Public School.

Miss Sharon was petite and always dressed in a beautiful skirt and blouse or sweater - she was lovely looking and had a beautiful speaking voice. We mainly did little playlets - improvisations, and she stressed the Stanislavsky method of acting - behaving naturally in an unnatural situation.

Tony Roberts the acclaimed American actor of the Woody Allen films and Broadway leading roles, as well as Julius Novick, a well-known educator and critic was in class with me.

The 92nd Street Y was and is to this day a wonderful and superior place for all New Yorkers to study - to appreciate the events that they offer.

How lucky I was to have found Miss Sharon and The Y- at such a young age!