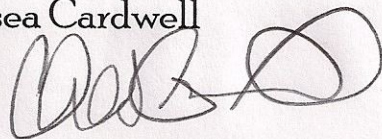


Dear Seth,

I have tried to wait to the last possible moment to write this, because you have meant so much to me and I just hope I get in all I want to say. I am a bit quirky—I know this. I sometimes 'drive' a bit faster than I can run, but you have always known how to handle me and make me work in the exact way necessary to see me succeed. I can understand why students here view you so highly (as do I). You see right through what we are trying to say or trying to accomplish in our acting and force an honest emotion that is so direct that it can scare you. You gave me every tool to succeed (so now I have no excuse 😊). I know I will never stop learning and I will enjoy every new moment to this journey in acting. I looked forward to your class every day—even the days that I knew I wasn't prepared, because I knew I would learn something. I knew that I could refine and mold the only real thing I cared about (especially in school). You have done more for me than you will ever know. I know I am very young. I have many mistakes to learn and many hurdles to jump, but because of you, I am not afraid. I look at my journals constantly to regain that sense of accomplishment that I felt with your classes, and I know I will never lose it—that gumption, that spitfire tenacity to jump into someone whole heartedly and be open and honest about how you feel—even if it's to 3000 people. It is a beautiful thing, and I am one of the few in this life that gets to feel that now because of you. You tested me in ways that knocked me down. Some of my most embarrassing moments were in your classes, but I cherish them now. And I know that that is what I needed to get back up. Thank you for every moment and every bit of passion you put into us. Thank you for caring and investing your trust and time into us. Thank you for writing that letter of recommendation (I wanted no one else but you) and thank you for believing in me, even when I missed the target completely. I hold you in the highest respect and I will miss you and your wisdom greatly.

Chelsea Cardwell

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chelsea Cardwell', written in a cursive style.