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Ask any former RADA student lucky enough to have been taught by Doreen Cannon and they will tell you that she was a legend. She was firm, uncompromising, demanded and inspired the best that you could give, gave you an insight into yourself as an actor and the art form of your choice. She really knew her stuff. Pleasing Doreen was no mean feat but something to be aspired to. A nod from Doreen meant everything, because here was a woman whose word was her bond. I was one such student, lucky enough to know Doreen. I respected her as much as one dreams of respecting those imparting hard earned wisdom. But as well as all of this I liked her... I liked her a lot and she liked me, not because I was a great student but because we just sort of clicked. She would often save me a seat next to her as she knew I particularly enjoyed her brilliant asides. I really loved sitting next to the irreplaceable Doreen C.