

## Basic Conversational American Sign Language Level One

*Level One is an introduction to ASL grammar and vocabulary, Deaf culture, equipment and devices. This class covers the first half of the course book.*

### Registration:

**November 1, 2012 thru  
February 1, 2013**

### Cost:

**\$110 (\$90 Instruction + \$20  
Course Book)**

### Class Dates:

**Tuesday Evenings**

5:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

13-week session

February 5<sup>th</sup> – April 30<sup>th</sup>

**Payment: Credit or Debit (Visa,  
Master Card), Check or Money  
Order payable to Bridges.**

**\*\*No refunds once payment is  
processed \*\*Credit toward a future  
class will be issued.**

Completed registration forms including payment may be sent or brought to:



Serving the Deaf, Hard of Hearing  
and Hearing Communities

**415 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue South  
Suite A  
Nashville, TN 37201**

Bridges's main office is open  
Monday through Friday from  
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Registration and payment  
information can be made online at  
[www.hearingbridges.org](http://www.hearingbridges.org).

You may also email Mike Helms,  
[mh@hearingbridges.org](mailto:mh@hearingbridges.org), or call  
615-290-5148 (videophone).

Credit card registrations are also  
accepted via phone.

**Location: Classes will be held  
at the main office of Bridges,  
located at 415 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
South in downtown Nashville.**

Bridges is a tan brick building on  
the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue South  
and Peabody Street. Spaces in  
front are reserved for people  
who are unable or have difficulty  
with climbing stairs.

**Directions: To Bridges main  
office.**

**From 40 EAST: Exit ramp 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ave. Turn RIGHT at light. Drive  
toward downtown to Peabody  
Street. Turn LEFT. Pass 4<sup>th</sup>  
Avenue South to go to alley  
behind the building, and park in  
parking lot.**

**From 40 WEST: Exit ramp for  
2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Ave. Go straight to 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ave. Turn LEFT toward  
downtown. Turn RIGHT on  
Peabody Street. Parking is  
available in the back of the  
building.**

It takes years to become fluent in any language, whether spoken or signed, and requires a commitment to practice, study and immersion into the culture to master a foreign language.

Learning American Sign Language (ASL) is in essence learning a foreign language because the grammar and syntax of ASL differ from that of written and spoken English.

Bridges's primary purpose in offering Basic Conversational ASL classes is to encourage and nurture the community's interest in American Sign Language, the Deaf community, and Deaf culture.

Bridges's classes are designed to give people a general knowledge of ASL and Deaf culture in order to carry on basic conversations. Our classes are NOT designed to serve as an interpreter training program.

People interested in becoming an interpreter may want to begin by taking our classes. However, they will need to then move on to an accredited degree program at a college or university and later sit for national certification exams.



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**ADULT COMMUNITY  
EDUCATION CLASSES  
(Non-credit)**

**SPRING 2013**

**Basic Conversational**

**AMERICAN  
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**Level One**



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and EAR Foundation

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615-248-4797 (Fax)**