

READY FOR YOUR CLOSE-UP?

Essential Tips for Actors' Headshot Success!



RESEARCH YOUR ACTING TYPES

- In addition to the all-important Commercial shot, you'll also want Theatrical shots that reflect the types of characters you're right for in the TV/Film world. Use Google Images to look up other actors' headshots to get inspired.

CHOOSE AN APPROPRIATE WARDROBE

- Pick clothes that are comfortable and reflect your brand, but avoid busy patterns or loud colors that can distract from your face. Visible logos and text on clothing should be avoided. And, remember, the camera loves layered clothing (e.g., shirt with jacket, T-shirt + open button-up, etc.)



GET A HAIRCUT OR TRIM

- If you plan to get a haircut, do it a week before the shoot to give time for any adjustments or corrections, but don't do it on the day of the session.
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CLEAN AND PREPARE YOUR SKIN:

- Clean your face and use a gentle exfoliant to remove any dead skin cells. Moisturize your skin to ensure it's hydrated, but avoid using products that are too oily or heavy.

WRITE LINES OF DIALOGUE:

- To help you get into character and truly pop in your theatrical headshots, create simple one-line sentences that best capture the character/tone you're going for. These lines are not meant to be delivered out loud. Instead, you'll simply say these in your mind as the photographer snaps away with their camera.

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HEADSHOT SESSION DATE & TIME:

MY MAIN ACTING TYPES:

WARDROBE SELECTIONS:

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES – HELPFUL WEB LINKS:



Actor Headshots: a Guide [Backstage.com]

<https://www.backstage.com/magazine/article/headshots-everything-need-know-5052/>



How To Find Your Type as an Actor [Backstage.com]

<https://www.backstage.com/magazine/article/find-type-actor-3730/>



Marketing Looks Wardrobe Samples [PoyeyPhotos.com]

<https://poyeyphotos.com/marketing-look-wardrobe-samples/>

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