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# APPLICANT PACK

Welcome to MetFilm School! This guide will help you get ready for your Applicant Day, outlining what to expect and how to make the most of your experience. We'll also provide tips on creating and presenting your portfolio.

The Applicant Day is your chance to explore our studios, get your hands on our state-of-the-art equipment, attend interactive workshops, and receive valuable feedback on your portfolio from an industry professional. Most importantly, this day will help you find out about the course you are most interested in.

# WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE DAY

## Workshops

Our Acting for Screen course offers an industry-centred experience that is designed to help you develop skills in both acting and production. On the Applicant Day, you'll get to experience both, as our workshops include:

- Acting
- Directing
- Cinematography

## Interview

We want to get to know you and understand what drives your passion for screen acting. You can expect questions about what inspired you to pursue acting, your experience in the performing arts, and the types of roles or projects that resonate with you. We're keen to hear about your creative journey, how you approach storytelling, and what excites you about developing your skills further. It's not about being perfect but about showing authenticity, enthusiasm, and a genuine love for acting.

Don't worry if you don't have much experience—we're not expecting you to be an expert. Here are a few tips to help you feel ready for a relaxed and engaging conversation:

## Warm welcome

- You'll be greeted by a member of our Academic Team. We aim to create a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, so just take a deep breath and be yourself!

## Preparation for the interview

- Know your work: Be ready to discuss your acting experiences and the projects that have shaped you. Think about your favourite roles and what you learned from them.
- Personal reflection: Reflect on your journey into acting. What inspired you to pursue this path? What do you hope to achieve in your career?

## Share your passion

- Express yourself: Be open about your love for acting. Share what drives you, whether it's storytelling, character exploration, or connecting with an audience.
- Discuss influences: Talk about actors, films, or theatre productions that have inspired you. This helps us understand your artistic influences.

## Character insights

- Character exploration: Be prepared to discuss your approach to specific roles you've played. What choices did you make and why? Or you could tell us about an actor you admire and describe how they played a character on screen or in theatre.
- Acting techniques: Feel free to share any techniques or methods you find helpful in your acting practice, as well as ideas you may have about how to approach developing a character.

### **Engagement with the course**

- Research the curriculum: Familiarise yourself with what the course offers. Think about how the curriculum aligns with your aspirations and which areas you're most excited to explore.
- Ask questions: Prepare questions about the course, faculty, or community. This shows your interest and helps you gauge if it's the right fit for you.

### **Collaboration and growth**

- Team dynamics: Discuss your experience of working collaboratively with others. These could be experiences from school, college or any other setting. Highlight how you contribute to a positive and productive environment.

### **Authenticity is key**

- Be yourself: Authenticity resonates. Don't be afraid to show your personality and let your passion shine through.
- Relax and enjoy: Treat this interview as a conversation about what you love: acting. Make the most of this opportunity to share your journey.

### **Final tips:**

- Stay calm: Take deep breaths and approach the interview with a positive mindset.
- Listen actively: Engage with the questions and comments from the interviewers, as this creates a dynamic conversation.
- Have fun: Remember, the interview is all about sharing your passion and excitement for acting. Enjoy the process!

We will send over a full schedule of the Applicant Day in advance, so keep an eye on your emails.

### **Next steps**

Once you've attended an Applicant Day and completed your Portfolio Review, our Admissions Team will be in touch with the outcome.

If you receive an offer, you will need to apply via UCAS (or directly via our website, if you're an international applicant) if you have not already done so. Then, you can formally accept your offer.

We can't wait to meet you! If you have any questions about the Applicant Day or your application, please email us at [admissions@metfilm.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@metfilm.ac.uk).