



DSiAM Talent Fact Sheet for Actors and Models

A casting liaison service for individuals with Down syndrome and other developmental disabilities.

Who: DSiAM's casting liaison service is offered to any child or adult with Down syndrome (or other developmental disability) who wishes to pursue a career in acting, modeling or entertainment. DSiAM is an international service and will provide its services for any individual, no matter where they reside.

What: DSiAM will promote its talent and submit head shots, resumes and contact information to potential employers. DSiAM will also bring opportunities to its talent from potential employers' disability and diversity programs. DSiAM assists with gaining representation by a talent agency when needed. If/when talent has agent representation DSiAM will submit all talent materials with agency contact information included.

When: The services of DSiAM will be available to whoever completes the contact information form and signs the consent for release of information and provides appropriate materials requested; i.e. head shot/photo and resume.

Where: DSiAM is a casting service offered by Gail Williamson a well know Hollywood advocate on behalf of individuals with Down syndrome and other developmental disabilities. DSiAM will submit talent to the Hollywood Community as well as all other geographic areas in the US and the world as talent is requested.

Why: DSiAM has been created to meet the ever growing need for talent with Down syndrome and developmental disabilities. DSiAM will also provide information about the industry and support to its talent to better prepare them to work in the industry.

How: Talent may go to www.DSiAM.org and click on JOIN for information on headshots, resume and consent form.

Headshots: There is no need for professional headshots. A simple home snap-shot is all that is needed to get started. The photo should be from waist height up with the talent looking straight into the camera. The photo needs to be in color and in focus. There shouldn't be anyone else or anything that distracts from the talent in the photo. This can be forwarded as a pdf to Gail@DSiAM.org

Resume: There is an example of a beginner's resume on the DSiAM website under the JOIN tab. All performances in front of an audience count as credits when you are just getting started. Any school or community production no matter how small will let a casting director know the talent has been able to perform in front of an audience. As the resume grows the less important credits can be removed.

Consent form: This is necessary in order to allow the talents photo to be submitted to casting directors and posted on line on DSiAM website and FaceBook page.

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Info: www.DSiAM.org click on the JOIN tab at the top for registration information.

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