

# FAQ

## ***Can't I just use my phone?***

Phones are adopting the role of point-and-shoot cameras but they have a long way to go when it comes to portrait photography. They simply don't have the pixel count, sensor size, or lens ecosystems that dSLR or film cameras do.

## ***Why this price?***

A portrait captures you in a single moment and is experienced by everyone who sees it. If you're an actor, casting directors and producers are looking at it to evaluate if you can bring the right energy to the role. These photos can mean the difference between getting in the room or not. That's a valuable product that does work for you. Some photographers charge up to \$3000. Others on the low end charge \$900-700. I'm not interested in charging one month's rent or half that when I can provide the essential skills, tech, and professional care needed to get the right shot for less.

## ***Start to finish: what am I getting?***

Before you book with me, there's a free 15 minute consultation to learn what your needs are and if this is the right fit. With any project, I'm bringing my skills in service of your needs, and I want us both to feel like this is a good match. You get an hour-long shoot, your choice of your 5 best photos from the session, and retouches on 1-3 photos (depending on which session you're booking).

## ***How do I prepare for my shoot?***

Sleep well a couple nights before, hydrate plenty (bring a water bottle if you can), and connect with the lens! You are going to be nervous for the shoot and that's okay, it means you care. Show up, connect, and have fun.

### ***What do I wear to my shoot?***

**Actors** Solid colored, brand-less, and comfortable clothing. Take a few minutes before the shoot to discover what color(s) look best on you.

**Corporate** If you like what you wear at the office, look no further! Clothing without stripes shows up best on camera. Wear what you think best represents your professional self.

**Graduates** Your gown and cap! Wear a smile and believe it was worth the student debt you accumulated. Remember to keep your tears on the inside. In all seriousness...celebrate your achievements! You made it and it's over - let loose.

### ***What forms of payment are accepted?***

Cash or Venmo. A \$50 deposit must be made at the time of booking your session. The remaining balance is to be paid upon completion of the session.

### ***How long are my pictures kept on file?***

Your RAW files are stored on an external hard drive for up to 9 months.

### ***Why should I go with you, AJ?***

I want you to come away with the best photos at a price that keeps your wallet happy. I want your headshots to get you in the audition room; your corporate pictures to establish your presence; and your grad photos to show your exultation to your friends and family. These photos are going to be with you for a long time - I'm going to make them count.