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Rao's Grown Family Casting Direction

SELF-TAPE SUBMISSION DIRECTIONS – read all the way through for uploading instructions!

TECHNICAL SET-UP POINTERS:

- Use a Tripod or other device to hold your camera/cell phone in place HORIZONTALLY.
- Make sure you position the camera a good distance from each person and at eye level to avoid distortion.*
- Lighting must be adequate so that we can see you clearly.
- Avoid having a window behind. This will close down your lens.
- Shoot in kitchen or dining room.
- Include still photo of each person showing their hands and face (see picture on right).



GROWN FAMILY'S SPAGHETTI DINNER - STILL PHOTOS & VIDEO INSTRUCTIONS STORY:

Family meals are special for every family; especially this family.

This is the story of a college graduate coming home and introducing her significant other to the family.

Everyone loves to eat Mom's spaghetti and it all begins with Rao's.

This is the story of mom ACTUALLY preparing spaghetti marinara for this special dinner (Gluten Free Pasta is okay). Everyone MUST be EATING the spaghetti in photos and videos specified below.

NOTE: This audition is REAL eating. Not miming. Everyone must be seen eating Spaghetti in stills & video. Eating should not in any way be silly...this is a beautiful family dinner with everyone savoring every bite of spaghetti.

Here are some of the STILL pictures we need (use cell phone or camera and make sure light is adequate):

DAD STILLS:

1. Headshot from top of head to mid chest. Nice smile showing teeth
2. Picture of dad with a hand on each side of his face to show what his hands look like
3. Close up of dad's hands opening a jar of Rao's (or any jar without a label)
4. Picture of dad and mom at table with wine glasses in hand, sharing a laugh
5. Picture of dad sitting at the dinner table laughing with the family, fork of spaghetti in his hand, eating while interacting with family. Never looking into camera.



MOM'S STILLS:

1. Headshot from top of head to mid chest. Nice smile showing teeth
2. Picture of mom with hand on each side of her face to show what her hands look like
3. Picture of mom at table with wine glasses in hand, sharing a laugh
4. Picture of mom sitting at the dinner table laughing with the family, fork of spaghetti in her hand, eating while interacting with family. Never looking into camera.



HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR STILLS:

1. Headshot of HS Senior from top of head to mid chest. Nice smile showing teeth
2. Picture of HS Senior with hand on each side of his/her face to show what hands look like
3. Picture of HS Senior sitting at table with family laughing. Lots of smiles.
4. Picture of HS Senior sitting at the dinner table laughing with the family, fork of spaghetti in hand, eating while interacting with family. Never looking into camera.



COLLEGE GRAD STILLS:

1. Headshot of College Grad from top of head to mid chest. Nice smile showing teeth
2. Picture of College Grad with hand on each side of face, showing what hands look like
3. Picture of College Grad laughing with significant other. Maybe feeding them spaghetti.
4. Picture of College Grad with family at the table eating spaghetti, eating while interacting with family. Never looking into camera.



SIGNIFICANT OTHER'S STILLS:

1. Headshot of Significant other from top of head to mid chest. Nice smile showing teeth.
2. Picture of Significant other with hand on each side of face, showing what hands look like
3. Picture of Significant other laughing with College grad. Feeding each other spaghetti.



GROWN FAMILY PICTURE STILL:

1. One picture of the whole family together. Parents sitting on couch, everyone else on floor. Set the phone on a timer to take one group photo of all smiling.

FAMILY VIDEO: Shoot a 2 minute VIDEO (camera in horizontal position). Everyone say name to camera one at a time, then actually shoot family having dinner; Family looking at each other, not at camera: Eating and enjoying the spaghetti and the memorable family time...eating should be enjoyable...never silly or crude.

DIRECTION: Set phone/ camera on counter top facing table. Shoot WIDE SHOT of everyone saying names one at a time, Mom bringing REAL dinner to table, sitting down and everyone actually enjoying their delicious spaghetti dinner. Lots of laughs and enjoyment! Lots of spaghetti eating!



SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

- Make sure all photos and video are renamed correctly. Without names, we can't identify who is who.
- After you have completed your video and photos go to our submission page: [SUBMISSION PAGE](#)
- **DEADLINE THURSDAY AUGUST 6**

1. Fill in all family names and primary contact information
2. Upload photos of yourself and all family members using the PHOTO LINK.
3. Upload your video at the VIDEO LINK (wait for BLUE CHECK MARK indicating the upload was successful – DO NOT REFRESH).

If you have any upload issues, please email us at raos@donnagrossmancasting.com

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