PHOTO GUIDE

TO A PERFECT PORTRAIT

WHAT TO WEAR

- Make sure your clothing isn't the same color as the background or else you'll appear as a floating head!
- If you wear glasses, try angling your face to prevent glaring and avoid using flash
- If you wear a hat in your photo, make sure it doesn't cast a shadow or conceal your face
- Be sure to review our FAQs page for restrictions the Olympia Symphony has the right to deny any submissions if deemed inappropriate – sales are final

SETTING UP THE SHOT

- Good lighting is a must!
- Try not to stand in front of a window or door when taking your photo
- Choose a solid-colored wall for your photo's background if at all possible
- Make sure you do not have any personal or private information on your walls or the objects in your photo



TAKING THE PERFECT PHOTO

- Have someone else take your photo or use the self-timer capability available on most smartphones – selfies will not be able to be cropped
- If you use a smartphone to upload your photos, make sure the file is as large as possible
- Whoever's snapping the photo should take a vertical picture of your upper body at eye level while including background space around your head and shoulders
- Stand 3-4 feet away from whoever's taking the photo
- Keep your hands along the sides of your body so they fit in the frame
- Only one person in the photo
- Smile!

UPLOADING YOUR PHOTO

- Preferred file size is 2448px by 3264px at 72 DPI newer smartphone camera default sizes should work
- Export it as "Actual Size" directly from your phone
- To check the file size, right click on the photo in your computer's finder window for more information
- When you purchase your cutout online (<u>olyso.org/cutouts</u>) and you will upload your photo at the time of transaction



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