



WHAT MAKES A GOOD PHOTO?

In order to be able to draw your caricature I need a good photo to work from.

The following general guidelines apply:

- I usually only need one good head shot
- Photos need to be in JPEG format
- Original digital camera images are best
- Photos need to be clear and sharp (reasonably anyway)
- I do not need full body shots as the caricature can depict any body you want!
- Images taken in dark and gloomy rooms or at night are usually poor
- Caricatures are drawn to the photo supplied so if you want a particular expression then make sure your photo depicts it
- Do not send scanned images unless they have been done professionally...they are usually of a poor quality

If you do not have a good photo then consider taking a new one. It is highly unlikely the person will realise what it is for.

Examples of good photos:

http://img.wallpaperstock.net:81/megan-fox-portrait-wallpapers_11507_1024x768.jpg

<http://change.gov/page/-/officialportrait.jpg>

http://www.dfki.de/~wahlster/Portrait_Photos/Wahlster_Portrait5_gross.jpg

http://images.allmoviephoto.com/2009_I_Love_You,_Man/2009_i_love_you_man_portrait_001.jpg

<http://www.erickaschiffmanphotography.com/userimages/HaleyPortraitSweet.jpg>

Examples of poor photos

1. [Too small and lacking clarity](#)
2. [Too small, lacking detail, a little blurry](#)
3. [Hand covering face](#)
4. [Far too small, faces covered](#)
5. [Wearing sunglasses](#)
6. [Too dark](#)
7. [Subject looking down, unflattering photo](#)
8. [Too small, hat covering face](#)

The above photos are only an indication of the potential issues. In most cases I can retrieve enough to work from.

Remember, the better the original photo the more accurate the finished caricature will be.

Finally, what you see in person is totally different from what I see. I can only draw to what is provided. I can show you many photos of the same person where they look totally different in each so make sure the photo you send is a good representation of the person.

If you have any questions please feel free to ask.

Thanks

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