

Locating Approved Publishers for Theocratic Video Projects

As previously advised, there is a growing need for approved publishers to assist as actors or extras in Audio/Video productions. For this reason the Australasia RVT would like your help with locating these publishers for the purpose of arranging general auditions. In order to better understand what is involved, we ask that each elder please watch the video that will be shared with approved publishers - see the following link: <http://auditioninvite.jw.org.au>

After having watched this video, the Congregation Service Committee should prayerfully review, and select any baptized publisher and their minor children, who are considered to be “exemplary”. When determining who would be approved, please use the definition of “exemplary” found in *Organized to do Jehovah’s Will* (chap. 6 pp. 52-53 par.9):

“An individual who is exemplary is someone whose conduct and worship are considered worthy of imitation. His or her meeting attendance share in the ministry, family life, choices of entertainment, dress and grooming, and so forth are good examples for others.”

Additionally, publishers who have been reprovved within the last three years or those who have been reinstated within the last five years, should not be recommended until this time has elapsed, even if they are currently considered exemplary. Neither would it be appropriate to submit recommendations for publishers if their use in a video could cause problems or controversy in the congregation or circuit. However, please do not exclude any publisher unless they do not meet the above-mentioned spiritual qualifications. Previous acting experience is **not** required.

What needs to be done after the Congregation Service Committee makes their selections? Please follow these steps in the order they are listed:

1. **List all approved publishers, their minor children, and the requested details about each individual on the attached spreadsheet.**
2. **Return the completed spreadsheet to: InboxRVTAuditionsBrisbane1.AU@jw.org** Please **do not** approach the publishers to ask them if they wish to be involved before placing them on the list.
3. **After returning the completed spreadsheet, then send the “Australasia Regional Video Team Invitation” PDF** as an attachment via email to the approved publishers. The PDF you send them contains a link to the video referenced in this letter, and a link to the Formstack form for the Publisher to complete if they are willing to be involved in a possible audition. In your email message body to the Publisher, please write:

Dear [INSERT PUBLISHER NAME],

Please see the attached invitation from the Australasia Regional Video Team for your follow-up.

*Your Brother,
[INSERT YOUR NAME]*

If a publisher experiences problems opening the link to the video, it is likely a matter of using a different browser. Please assist them by having them open the link in another browser E.G Google Chrome, Safari or on another device if needed.

If a publisher has any other questions after they have read the email and watched the video, simply **refer them back to the video or request that they forward their questions to the inbox listed at the bottom of the message they were sent.** Our team will be very happy to answer any questions they may have.

If a publisher from your congregation is being considered to participate in an actual video project sometime in the future, your Congregation Service Committee will be contacted again to ensure that the publisher still qualifies, and has freedom of speech for the particular role they would be portraying.

We know that all of you as appointed men already have much to do in caring for Kingdom interests. Please know that as elders, your full support of this important initiative of the Teaching Committee will contribute greatly to the success of this project. Thank you for all of your hard work!

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the RVT at InboxRVTAuditionsBrisbane1.AU@jw.org