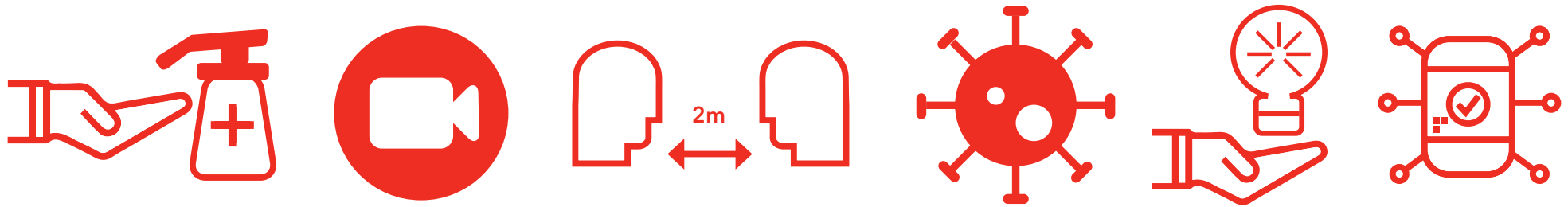


**BANG CASTING STUDIOS**

**Covid-19 Response**



# CASTINGS.

## THE NEW NORMAL (FOR NOW)

Hello all! I trust you are safe and well.

Our industry, like many others during this unprecedented time, has taken a huge hit! As a collective, we must all work together to get things moving once more in a safe and productive way. The show, as always, must go on!

Therefore, until that time, (hopefully) in the not too distant future, when we can be back face-to-face, we propose to host casting sessions via ZOOM to make the lives of Casting Directors, production companies, agencies and actors that little bit simpler and a whole lot safer.





## **BOOM! LET'S ZOOM.**

### **How it works.**

- BANG has a registered Zoom account and private BANG room .
- A BANG camera op will host and manage proceedings.
- Casting Directors / Production /Agency etc. can all join the session with BANG's unique reference number and password.
- Casting Directors will send BANG and Production the Call Sheet (and any paper work requirements ahead of the session, as per normal (we like normal).
- BANG will send the actors all paperwork requirements ahead of the session to fill in digitally, submit and return.  
No paper trail.





## **BOOM! LET'S ZOOM.**

### **How it works.**

- Actors will be given a time slot to join the meeting with our unique reference and password, and enter the waiting room (5 minutes ahead of their allocated time).
- Actors will be called in by the host (camera op) for their filmed audition.
- Direction can be given at any time via the ACTIVE SPEAKER mode in ZOOM - so video always remains on the actor rather than jumping around between participants.
- Each filmed audition will be edited in iMovie and uploaded to the BANG server.
- At the end of the session a BANG password-protected link will be sent out via email with all the filmed and edited auditions along with all completed paperwork.
- Same, same as the normal BANG links - but a little different, as sadly we cannot film in the studio just yet!
- Think of it as a series of high quality self-tapes all brought together in a lovely BANG hub!





## PAPER WORK THAT SAVES THE TREES.

- BANG will create a digital Head Sheet (with all the usual questions) that will enable actors to upload a picture headshot and fill in their details (online). Hurrah! They simply submit to return to us.
- IPA Art Declarations Part 1 & Part 2 are a little bit tricky at this stage as these are legal documents and are sadly not digitalised at this moment in time. \*\*
- To trouble shoot this we will cover all the important and relevant information asked within these forms in our own questionnaire Head Sheet - so there are no surprises later down the line for production!
- We propose that once actors are recalled / or confirmed for the job, the official IPA documents are sent out, printed, signed, scanned and returned in the usual way (to limit the number of physical sheets of paper being used).

\*\* *Unfortunately this is unavoidable at this time - however, BANG are in conversations with the IPA to see if there are plans for a digital option in the future. I am talking to the powers that be directly within their 'Green Team' to see if this can be achieved legally.*





**SIMPLE!**

**£110 PER HOUR**

Please allow a chargeable 15-minutes before and 1-hour after the session for set up, editing and administration.

As always, please call me direct for any questions, queries, quotes etc.

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- Fortunately BANG Studios has space.
- When the green light is given, and it is safe to do so, we very much look forward to welcoming casting sessions back through the door.
- We are able to place 2-metre social distancing floor and wall vinyls that indicate safe allocated waiting spaces for actors during casting sessions throughout the space.
- The studios will have signage throughout.
- We can comfortably fit 15 people upstairs and 12 people downstairs in the waiting areas at any one time.
- Actors must arrive at their allocated time only or will be asked to wait/return to keep staff and others safe.
- Both studios can safely house two actors (with 2 metre distancing) at any one time in the performance area.
- Client areas can hold two people safely - all others can SKYPE in. We don't charge for SKYPE.



- Antibacterial spray and wipes will be available in the studios to wipe all surfaces regularly.
- Antibacterial foam dispensers will be available for staff and clients in the reception area and in the studios.
- Signs will be displayed throughout the studios and all actors will be asked to kindly wash their hands with antibacterial soap provided in the toilets (we'll aim for the nice-smelling stuff!).
- All pens will be disposable (although most forms have gone digital so pens should not be required too often, we hope).
- The studios are cleaned by professional cleaners every morning and extra care will be taken to sanitise and wipe areas very thoroughly.
- All BANG staff and clients will be provided with gloves and masks if they are requested.





**Thank You.**