

TAKE THE STAGE

A CREATIVE CAREER FRAMEWORK BY AYA HOJADOVA

STAGE ONE: CLAIM YOUR STORY

Creative Snapshot Builder

AYA'S STAGE NOTE

You are not here to perform perfection. You are here to name yourself with clarity. This template will help you create a short creative snapshot you can use in bios, introductions, interviews, submissions, websites, and moments where someone asks, "So, tell me about yourself."

PURPOSE OF THIS TEMPLATE

Write a 5-8 sentence snapshot that reflects who you are, what you create, what you are known for, and where you are headed next. Keep it honest. Keep it clear. Let it sound like you.

STEP-BY-STEP FILL-IN TEMPLATE

Sentence 1: Origin / Identity

I'm a [actor / artist / model / creative entrepreneur] based in [city / region], originally from [place].

Sentence 2: Your Lane

My work centers on [genre / style / type of roles / creative focus], and I'm most alive when I'm creating [tone / feeling / themes].

Sentence 3: Your Signature

People often experience me as [3 adjectives: grounded, bold, playful, precise, etc.], and I'm known for [strength / skill / presence].

Sentence 4: Proof

I've worked across [film / TV / theatre / commercial / music / art], including [1-3 credits, projects, collaborations, or highlights].

Sentence 5: Training / Credibility

I've trained with [teachers / studios / programs], and I'm committed to refining my craft through [practice / ongoing training / lived experience].

Sentence 6: Your Why

At the core, I create because [purpose in one sentence - the impact you want to have].

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Sentence 7: Direction

Right now, I'm building toward [next-level opportunity / type of work / collaboration / creative expansion].

Sentence 8: Grounding Closer

This is the chapter I'm in, and I'm choosing to show up as [identity you are stepping into].

MY CREATIVE SNAPSHOT

Use the sentences above to write your final 5-8 sentence version.

NEXT STAGE ACTION

Read your creative snapshot out loud. Notice where you sound clear, where you shrink, and where your truth wants more room. Then revise it until it feels like something you can stand behind.

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