



Language Assessment General Casting Call

The American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) is seeking native speakers of Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), English, French, German, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese (Brazilian), Russian, Spanish, and Thai for audio and video production for ACTFL's language test called the Assessment of Performance toward Proficiency (AAPPL). Casting positions include actors and voiceover roles for each language.

ACTORS FOR VIDEO PRODUCTION: Middle School and High School Actors

Roles: The actor plays a student from another country having a video chat in the target language with an American student, learning the language. For the English-speaking role, the actor plays an American student having a video chat in English with a student from another country, who is learning English.

General Requirements:

- **Middle school actor** should appear to be between the ages of 10-13.
- **High school actor** should appear to be between the ages of 15-18.
- **Native speaker** of: Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), English, French, German, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese (Brazilian), Russian, Spanish, and Thai.
- Able to perform complex speaking texts in the target language (Performance will be conducted entirely in the target/ native language).
- Able to read in the target/ native language.
- 2-4 hours of video production in Washington, D.C. metro area in August 2018. (Date and time will be specified.)
- If the actor is under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must be present during production, and must sign a permission form.
- Any gender.
- Non-union performers are welcome to apply.

VOICE OVER ROLES:

Roles: The native speakers will record in their language a variety of pre-scripted lines or passages for different characters. The scripts will include simple and advanced language and will be grouped according to different scenarios.

General Requirements

- **Native speaker** of: Arabic, Chinese (Mandarin), English, French, German, Hindi, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese (Brazilian), Russian, Spanish, and Thai.
- **Age levels** needed range from 10-18 years old to adults.
- Able to speak a variety of simple and complex texts in target/ native language.

- Able to read in the target/native language.
- 2-3 hours of audio production in Washington, D.C. metro area in August 2018 (Date and time will be specified.)
- If the actor is under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must be present during production and must sign a permission form.
- Any gender.
- Non-union performers are welcome to apply.

Job Location:

Audio and video production will take place in the Washington, D.C. metro area.

How to Apply:

Applicants are requested to send an email of interest to: assessment@actfl.org and submit a resume or cv, and either a video or audio recording of themselves performing in their native language a short text, which can be found here:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/t5eoevg1sqvn3en/Instructions%20for%20Audio%20and%20Video%20Recording%20s.pdf?dl=0>

Applicants to the actor roles are also required to submit a headshot.

ACTFL's Target Language Experts will assess applicants' language ability, pronunciation, and accent to determine if the applicant meets the requirements for the role.

Please note in the email subject line the following: Application for AAPPL Audio/ Video Production (Your Name). All documents should be saved with applicant's name and document reference. For example: FirstName_LastName_Headshot

Work Status:

All work performed by the Consultant for ACTFL is done so as an independent contractor and not as an agent or employee of ACTFL. Contractors are not employees and are not qualified or entitled to receive or participate in any employment benefits (pension/401(k) plans, health/other benefit plans, worker's compensation insurance, unemployment benefits, etc.). Authorization to work in the United States of America without sponsorship is a requirement for this role. Possession of a student (H1B) visa is not sufficient for this role.