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AGENCY INFORMATION

There are many "agencies" out there who would love to take your money, and might well promise you the world - but remember that legitimate agencies (such as the ones listed below) are here to *make* you money, not *take* money from you!

Anyone can buy a membership to an organization like the B.B.B. to claim credibility. Becoming an agent for organizations like SAG and AFTRA is a far better indication of credibility, and affiliation is very easy to lose if you're reported for conduct that doesn't comply with union rules. It pays to research an agency!

There are some fine schools out there, and acting is certainly a craft to be learned and honed, but if any agent or agency *ever* asks you for money, or tries to sell you photography, *run for the door!* That is *not* their business (or *shouldn't be*). If they're trying to make money off of you, then one can presume that they are not making it from paying commercial clients.

There is also a message/discussion board for the San Diego creative market called the [San Diego Forum](#). It's a place for people to ask questions and share experiences about their modeling, acting or talent careers. *Check it out!*

From the BBB:

[BBB Advises Caution When Dealing With Talent/Modeling Agencies](#)

KRON-TV in San Francisco did an interesting piece called [Talent Agency Scams](#)

From the Screen Actors Guild:

[So, Ya Wanna Be An Actor?](#)

San Diego's **SAG** and **AFTRA**-Franchised Agencies

*Shamon Freitas * 9606 Tierra Grande St., #204 San Diego, CA 92126 (858) 549-3955 http://www.shamonfreitas.com	* Elegance Model & Talent * 2763 State Street Carlsbad, CA 92008 (760) 434-3397
Agency 2 Model and Talent 1717 Kettner Blvd., #200 San Diego, CA 92101 (619) 645-7744	San Diego Model Management 438 Camino Del Rio S., #116 San Diego, CA 92108 (619) 296-1018 http://www.sdmodel.com
Artist Management Agency, Inc. 835 Fifth Ave., #411 San Diego, CA 92101 (619) 233-6655	Nouveau Model and Talent 909 Prospect Street, #230 La Jolla, CA 92037 (619) 456-1400
Jet Set Talent Agency 2160 Avenida de la Playa La Jolla, CA 92037 (858) 551-9393	

*** Second Glance has worked with these agents and can highly recommend them ***

For further information or for the names of *reputable* agencies in your area please refer to:

1. Screen Actors Guild Agency List (the main SAG site is at <http://www.sag.org>)
2. American Federation of Television and Radio Artists' List of Franchised Agents (the main AFTRA site is at <http://www.aftra.org>)
3. The Better Business Bureau has a page specifically about modeling and talent agencies [here](#). You can look for information on specific agencies/companies on [this form](#).

BE INFORMED!

The area of casting is *not* my area of expertise, but by request of many of you here recently, I am listing some local casting agents that have a good reputation in the San Diego area and/or have the reputation for getting actors/talent work.

Casting Agents

Background San Diego 4705 Ruffin Road San Diego, CA 92123 (858) 974-8970	Tina Real Casting 3108 5th Avenue, Suite C San Diego, CA 92103 (619) 298-0544 or HotLine (619) 298-1766
Barbara Shannon San Diego, CA (619) 224-9555	Nancy Washburn Artist Management Agency 835 Fifth Ave. #411 (619) 233-6655

Models, Hostesses, and Narrators for trade shows, promotion and print:.

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