



## TIPS, TRICKS & IDEAS TO LOOK YOUR BEST FOR YOUR PORTRAIT SESSION

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**SLEEP!** Make sure you get at least 2 nights of good sleep before your photo session so that you will look fresh and won't have bags under your eyes. Beauty sleep is real....

**HAIR CARE.** Guys, let a new hair cut grow out for at least a week before your pictures, allowing time for any white tan lines to disappear. Also, take the time to get a close shave with a new razor. Girls, if you plan on coloring your hair or getting a new style, also allow at least a week to get used to the style. Brio Images also has a professional hair stylist that is available.

**CLOTHES.** Have your clothes and accessories ready the night before your shoot. Choose clothes that reflect you and include different styles, such as casual, semiformal, formal or outdoors, so you can take several pictures and get your best shots. Plan entire outfits' head-to-toe & don't forget the shoes & accessories. Make sure your clothes are clean and free of wrinkles. If you are undecided on your clothing choices, we suggest bringing everything, and have your photographer help choose. After all, they do know what photographs best.

**MAKE-UP.** Brio Images has a professional make-up artist that is available. However if you choose to do it yourself, our professional experiences have taught us a few simple tips when working with make-up for photographs. Apply make-up slightly heavier than everyday wear, and don't forget to use powder. Girls should bring your make-up, hair spray and curling iron to do touch ups. Make sure that your face make-up is blended into your neck. Bring chap stick or lip gloss to keep your lips moist. We also encourage girls use a thin pair of artificial eye lashes to help their lashes photograph fuller.

**BLEMISHES.** We always retouch every final print, so don't worry... your final prints will look great! Be sure not to use too much make-up trying to hide blemishes. It's easier for us to retouch your prints if you keep a more natural look.

**GLASSES.** There is no need to worry about glare if you wear glasses. Don't bother bring an extra pair of frames without lenses, they end up looking empty in the photograph. As professional photographers we have lighting techniques and small posing tricks that will minimize glare and keep you looking like yourself.

**SMILE.** We will take a variety of portraits with and without you smiling. We have a lot of tricks to get a natural smile, but the best trick is to get you laughing. We don't want you worrying about your smile during your session because often people end up putting on their "fake smile." So it's of major importance to relax and have a good time. If you're not crazy about your smile, get in front of a mirror and practice it. Don't be afraid to whiten your teeth if you think you need to.

**PERSONALITY.** Bring something that reflects your personality, talents or hobbies, such as musical instruments, sports equipment, awards, etc. Having your picture taken with what you enjoy will create unique portraits. We will go on location to your house or favorite spot, so let us know what you are thinking about.

**BRING A FRIEND.** It can be really fun to have your pictures taken at the same time as your friend. Brio will give a discount on session fees for you and your friend when the sessions are scheduled together.

**FINISHING TOUCHES.** Be sure to use a moisturizing lotion on hands, elbows and other dry areas. Guys, make sure your fingernails are clean & nicely trimmed. Girls, pamper yourself with a manicure and pedicure the day before.

MOST OF ALL *Relax AND Have Fun!!!*