

What do you mean you want a Headshot?

The application for this bursary requires a headshot.

Photos of bursary recipients are shared, on a graphic, for a year in the MCA Communiqué. This photo is also used when your essays are published.

Occasionally an applicant sends a photo that doesn't really work with the rest of the photos.

So...here are some tips:

A phone photo is fine although indoor phone photos often have poor resolution. A shady day/place outside is great! Don't squint into the sun.

A plain or outdoor background works well. If you're standing against a wall, stand a few feet away so the wall is blurred.

Look straight at the camera. Standing "square on" results in an image that looks like a passport photo. If you turn your feet at an angle and then turn your torso slightly to face your photographer, you'll look less stiff.

Ideally the headshot includes your face, and your upper body from mid-chest. If your photo is from the waist up, that's fine too. It's always easy to crop.

Thanks!