

BUDGETING FOR ACTORS

My budget from a few years ago when I took a summer intensive at the Ward Studio in NY

Item	6 weeks	Comments
Apartment	\$ 1,500.00	6 weeks
Classes	\$ 2,100.00	Ward Studio Summer Intensive
Phone	\$ 120.00	\$80 Cingular + \$30 phone cards
Dinner Out	\$ 180.00	equals \$15/dinner = \$30/week x 6 weeks
Groceries	\$ 450.00	\$75/week x 6 weeks
Lunch out	\$ 144.00	equals 3 x per week x \$8
Taxis	\$ 120.00	\$20/week (only necessity and/or late night on weekend)
Spending	\$ 600.00	Yankees ticket: \$100 + music: \$100 + internet + books/scripts?
Gym	\$ 70.00	
Clubs	\$ 900.00	once per week x \$50
Plane Ticket & tax	\$ 1,000.00	
Metro card	\$ 120.00	
Total	\$ 7,304.00	
Total Euros	€ 5,618.46	

Budgeting for actors going to New York to work and/or study

My budget from last summer when I went to NY to further my training and seek work as an actor as well.

Item	3 months	Comments	Additional Comments
Apartment	\$ 3,000.00	3 months	
Technique Class	\$ 1,000.00		
Props For Classes	\$ 100.00	At times it was necessary to buy things props for class activities and scenes	
Props For Auditions and Acting Jobs	\$ 50.00	Props & clothes for auditions and extra work. Bought some clothes and returned them the next day	
Hosting Class	\$ 149.00	Pat Murphy-Stark at AC	
Brian O'Neil Class + consultation	\$ 149.00	at AC	
Conservatory AC	\$ 895.00		
Mailings Headshots	\$ 100.00	Kinko's Photocopies, stamps approx. 100 headshots targeted to specific industry pro's	Kinko's offers great service, but it can be very expensive. Print your own if you can.
Mailings Postcards	\$ 25.00	approx. 100	
Headshot envelopes with windows	\$ 64.00	for 200 envelopes	
New, Color Head Shots	\$ 500.00		Shop around. Good headshots can cost you though.
Reproductions of new headshots & postcards	\$ 250.00		Not the only place, but they're good and reputable.
Casting Website Subscriptions	\$ 75.00	NY Castings and Explore Talent. Actors Access is Free	Choose them wisely. I like NYCastings and Actors Access.
Phone Service	\$ 190.00	\$150 Cingular + \$30 phone cards + \$10 skype credits	
Dinner Out	\$ 360.00	equals \$15/dinner = \$30/week x 6 weeks	
Groceries	\$ 900.00	\$75/week x 12 weeks	
Lunch out	\$ 288.00	equals 3 x per week x \$8	
Taxis	\$ 240.00	\$20/week (only necessity and/or late night on weekend)	
Spending	\$ 1,200.00	Props, Books, Entertainment, Drinks, Misc.	
Trade Papers	\$ 110.00	Backstage, Show Business each week + others periodically	
Gym	\$ 260.00		
Clubs	\$ 180.00	once every two weeks x \$30	
Plane Ticket & tax	\$ 1,000.00		
Transfer to and from Airport	\$ 10.00	Take the subway E line to a station near the airport, then transfer to another train for \$5	
Metro card	\$ 225.00		
Total	\$ 11,320.00		
Total Euros	€ 8,707.69		

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