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What is Special Effects Makeup?

A special effects makeup artist is a person who is a highly skilled professional who is called upon when something unusual has to be done. Special effects makeup is also called prosthetic makeup which is used to create advanced effects by using prosthetic sculpting, molding, and casting techniques to make fictional characters like Zombies and Ghosts come to life. SFX makeup artists work tirelessly on making the unreal believable; from faking gunshots to creating monsters like Medusa, they can achieve these feats with the use of make-up!

Eligibility Criteria for a SFX Make-Up Artist

Although there are no rigid eligibility criteria to become a special effects makeup artist there are certainly other factors and qualifications that one must observe:

- A diploma or certificate in professional makeup/cosmetology
- Obtaining on-the-job experience
- Post secondary certificate in professional makeup/cosmetology(optional)
- Basic knowledge on cosmetic applications,wigs, masks,hairedressing,temporary prosthetic applications and costuming.
- You should have a creative mind with a steady hand, be good at decision making and immaculate communication skills and passion for the theatrical.
- Lastly, and most importantly, you should take formal training and strive to have many years of practice to master your art as a special effects makeup artist.

Indian Colleges Offering SFX Make-up Courses

Indian cinema has also evolved to a point that the need for special effects makeup artists is increasing by the hour. The best schools in India that are specializing in teaching these courses are as follows:

- Euro Chroma Institute of Cosmetology
- SMA Makeup Academy
- Lakme Academy
- The Institute of Makeup Artistry
- ISAS -International Beauty School