



YAYA DENG

Yaya Deng is an Australian Actress and Model.

Born and raised in Kenya before moving to Australia at age 10, Yaya made her acting debut in US Feature Film *Gods Of Egypt*, starring opposite Gerard Butler, Geoffrey Rush, Brenton Thwaites and Emma Booth. Anticipated for a 2016 release, *Gods of Egypt* is a fantasy action-adventure Directed by Alex Proyas. Yaya plays the role of Astarte – a hard-core Warrior Goddess.

Yaya launched onto the screen as a contestant on *The Face, Australia*. A competition created and hosted by Supermodel, Naomi Campbell. As a runner up on the first series, Yaya caught the eyes of casting directors both locally and internationally due to her down to earth personality, stunning presence on screen and interesting choices throughout the 12 ep series.

As a model Yaya is in high demand. She featured in *Vogue Australia's 'Ones to Watch' Story*, fronted Peter Alexanders AW14 Campaign & was the face of *Le Specs Sunglasses*. Yaya signed to leading agency *FORD models* in NYC in September 2014.

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The Slashies

They're used to being in front of the camera, but these models-slash-actors are now pulling more than their best catwalk pose, acting alongside Gerard Butler and Geoffrey Rush in the multi-million dollar production, *Gods Of Egypt*.

Courtney Eaton, 18

Hometown: Bunbury, WA.

Current project: *Mad Max: Fury Road*, *Gods Of Egypt*.

Secret talent? It wouldn't be a secret if I told you!

Last song played on your iPod?

Sun - Two Door Cinema Club.

If you weren't modelling or acting, what would you be doing? Probably being a musician or artist.

Last meal you ate? Potato and leek soup.

The Voice or MasterChef?

MasterChef, duh!

If you could emulate one actor's career, whose would it be? I am in awe of Tilda Swinton - she's an incredible actress.

Worst habit? Eating when I'm bored.

Favourite film: *The Intouchables* and *La Vie En Rose*.

Yaya Deng, 20

Hometown: Sydney, NSW.

Current project: *Gods Of Egypt*.

Next project? Currently testing for some exciting projects in the US and UK.

If you could have been in one film from the past 20 years, what would it be? *The Mask*.

Secret talent? That's a secret ...

Last song played on your iPod?

No No - Trey Songz.

If you weren't modelling or acting, what would you be doing? Politician or teacher.

Last meal you ate? *Mad Max*.

The Voice or MasterChef? *The Voice*.

If you could emulate one actor's career, whose would it be? Mark Wahlberg - love his choices, commitment to his acting and he's humble.

Worst habit? I bite my lip.

Favourite film? *I Am Legend*.

Modelling or acting? I love both for different reasons. Will see where the future takes me ...

HAIR BY FABRIZIO STEVENS FOR SUPERIOR HAIR BEAUTY. COURTNEY WEARS PAOLO SEBASTIANI DRESS AND TIGER TWEEDER ANKLES. YAYA DENG WEARS PAOLO SEBASTIANI DRESS AND TIGER TWEEDER ANKLES. STYLING BY PAOLO SEBASTIANI. MAKEUP BY PAOLO SEBASTIANI. POP CORN BY POP CORN.

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