

**MN WIFT
Member Spotlight
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My name is... Sherilyn Henderson

I am from... Huntington Beach, California. I moved with my family to Lakeville, Minnesota four years ago and went to high school in Lakeville.

I got my start in the industry... at 8 years old, performing in theatrical plays at the Boys and Girls Club in Fountain Valley, California. At age ten, I landed my first principal role in a SAG national commercial for Barbie Mattel.

I am currently working on/as...

auditioning in Los Angeles, California this summer for SAG/AFTRA commercial and film roles. I will return to Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, California this fall as a sophomore.



The project or projects on which I've most enjoyed working are...

the 48-hour Film Project short films in Minnesota, which I've participated in the last three years. I believe in supporting and contributing to the short film projects of up and coming directors and production companies/crews --- the future of the industry. I also enjoyed working on The Birthday Girl by Northtown Productions (auditioned in Minnesota and filmed in Wisconsin).

MN WIFT can impact women in the film, television and new media industries by... Creating awareness of women's talents and skills and by providing networking opportunities to help women connect with others and advance in the industries. MN WIFT can also help women support and learn from each other by sharing their ideas and expertise.

I am inspired by... Catherine Hardwicke (director), Melissa Rosenberg (producer and writer) and Michele Hutchison (actress and my acting teacher for 3 years) in the industry. On a personal level, I'm inspired by: Jesus, the Blessed Mary and my Grandma Shirley.

My hobbies or special interests are... acting, singing, dancing.

In ten years I see myself... with a bachelor degree from Loyola Marymount University Los Angeles, California in Theatre Arts. I also see myself married and earning a living in the theatre, film, and/or television industry.

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