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**IN PROFILE ACTOR Valmike Rampersad**

Latest News

*Valmike graduated from Central School of Speech and Drama just over two years ago and has played a number of diverse roles in five award-winning films, including one on the Oscar shortlist. He played the lead, a suicidal manic depressive, alongside BAFTA nominee Saeed Jaffrey in 'Open Secrets' winning Best Film at the Buffalo-San film festival. He shot 'Hotel' which won Best Drama at the L.A. International Film Festival, where he plays an assassin and son of BAFTA nominee, Art Malik. 'Hotel' was one of ten films shortlisted for Oscar consideration at the Academy Awards 2010. His film 'Daisy's Last Stand' won Film London's Best Of Boroughs Audience Award. Malachi, shot in conjunction with the BBC won the Skillset Millennium Award. He made his first TV lead appearance as a songwriter in 'Read My Lips' for Channel 4 and most recently a surgeon in 'The Cost of Love', which won the Grand Prix at the End of the Pier International Film Festival*

Favourite Film: Star Wars  
 Food: anything Indian or Spanish

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**Favourite Musician:** Plan B

**Favourite Quote:** Never compare yourself to anyone else. It is the most destructive thing to think others are better than you (even if they are). Concentrate on what you are doing.

**Favourite Restaurant:** Upstairs restaurant in Brixton and I have to say Canteen, cos one of my best friends owns it.

**Best Holiday:** Traveling all over India.

**Most Embarrassing Moment:** A bird did it's business on my head just before an audition and I hadn't realized. Still, it broke the ice at the audition.

**Favourite Album:** Paolo Nutini, Sunny Side Up

**Worst album:** Haven't come across any yet, there's probably a song I like on most albums!

**Sport:** Football

**Have a Crush on (Celebrity):** Penelope Cruz and Kaya Scodelario.

**Magazine:** Interview magazine

**What people don't know about me:** I make a wicked Caribbean / Trinidadian curry, but keep it quiet cos I don't like cooking!

**I shop in:** Topshop and Hollister

**I would like to be for one week:** Matt Parkman from Heroes - an amazing character and he's telepathic.

**If I was to live anywhere:** It would still be London!

**Your own quote:** Nothing good comes easy




**Tell us about your next few projects:** I am superstitious so I won't mention the stuff that's still in the pipeline for that reason and partly cos I am not allowed to. I shot a film recently called Dreamcatcher. playing an insomniac who is unable to distinguish between dreams and reality. One that I can mention is Grasshopping ([www.grasshopping.co.uk](http://www.grasshopping.co.uk)) which we hope to shoot later this year. I play a computer games programmer in an open relationship with my wife - so it's about infidelity and relationships.

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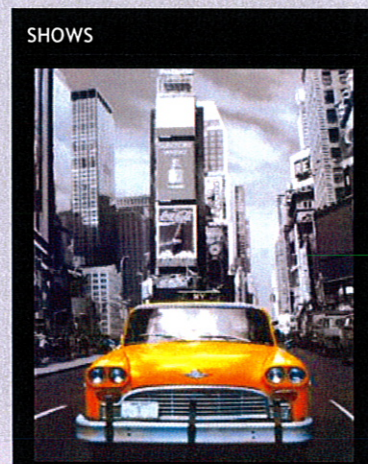
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