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# Backstage

## Portraits of Actors at Work in the Theatre

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- A unique series of photographs that go behind the scenes in London theaters, capturing world renowned actors before they go on stage
- Includes a foreword by Cate Blanchett
- *"Simon Annand is one of the most amazing photographers I have had the pleasure of working with. He is an individualist with an eye for the unusual."* - Dame Judi Dench, actor
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*"…delivers an absorbing portrait of actor's final preparation during their last 30 minutes before going on stage."*– **The Lady**

British photographer Simon Annand has been shooting candid photographs backstage at West End theatres in London for 35 years. In these meditative portraits, often shot in the intimate space of the dressing room, he captures the focus and tension of world-class actors right before they go on the stage. Actors such as Cate Blanchett, Orlando Bloom, Anthony Hopkins, Jake Gyllenhaal and Judi Dench are seen in these moments of vulnerability, which every actor experiences no matter how long they have been working. ***Backstage***, with an introduction by Cate Blanchett, contains a hand-picked selection of Simon Annand's remarkable and unique portraits.

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