# Performers and their Strategies for Overcoming Stage Challenges



#### **Ruben (Fashion Model)**

Experience: Walking the runway at the Saint Laurent 2024 men's fashion show.

Challenges: Overthinking on stage.

Strategies: Grounds himself by feeling the floor, breathing

deeply, and looking at posters to stay present.



## **BoWang (Fashion Model)**

Experience: Walking the runway for luxury and fashion brands and shooting commercial advertisements.

Challenges: Nerves and mental pressure.

Strategies: Practices frequently and uses psychological

cues for confidence.



#### Lu Wang (Talk Show Artist)

Experience: Previously appeared on a Chinese stand-up comedy show and performed in offline tours across multiple countries.

Challenges: Struggles with stage fright.

Strategies: Forces herself to step on stage and mentally

affirms her professionalism.



## **Zhongjun Wang (Rapper)**

Experience: Previously appeared on a Chinese rap competition show and performed live at offline events.

Challenges: Overthinking and nerves.

Strategies: Does sports and running before the show, avoids eye contact, and reminds himself the audience isn't

overly focused on him.



## Esy (Rapper)

**Experience: Multiple offline rap competitions** Challenges: Relies on the crowd's energy. Strategies: Drinks alcohol to ease nerves and emphasizes the importance of audience reactions.



#### Sybilla (Actress)

Experience: Performed in stage plays and musicals in

the UK.

Challenges: Staying focused under pressure.

Strategies: Practices extensively and immerses herself

in her own world before performing.



#### Lily (Escape Room NPC)

Experience: Professional escape room NPC, playing

various roles.

Challenges: Speaks too softly.

Strategies: Practices engaging with others more, and

practices speaking loudly to the mirror.





### **Mingen (Ballet Dancer)**

Experience: Started learning ballet from a young age and performed on various stages.
Challenges: Performance anxiety.
Strategies: Relies heavily on practice and muscle

memory.



#### Charles (Host)

Experience: Served as the host of the New Year's Gala at King's College London (KCL). Challenges: Managing nervousness.

Strategies: Takes deep breaths, drinks water, and

gains confidence through experience.



#### **Kiki (Singer and Dancer)**

Experience: Started learning vocal music and participating in various artistic performances from a young age; now learning street dance and filming videos.

Challenges: Staying calm and focused. Strategies: Calms herself with deep breaths, relies on muscle memory, and focuses on a single camera or point during performances.



#### Jiao (Hip-Hop Dancing Teacher)

Experience: Professional street dance instructor with over ten years of teaching experience. Challenges: Nerves when performing. Strategies: Prepares thoroughly and focuses on enjoying the stage while reducing eye contact.