

# Basic Requirements for Voice Work

## What You Need To Be a Singer

The drive to sing! Yes, that's it. Like I said, anyone can sing.

## What You Need To Be an Excellent Voice Student

1. Patience and belief in the process—and yourself
2. The ability to accurately describe sounds and sensations
3. Consistent, healthy, daily work habits (both to learn music and train your muscles)
4. Good vocal health
5. Openness to change
6. The courage to ask any and all questions
7. A commitment to learning new languages and musical processes
8. The imagination to hear beyond your present voice

## What You Need To Be a Professional Singer

1. A healthy and properly maintained technique
2. Stamina as well as the ability to summon performance energy at will
3. Self-awareness and likeability
4. Confidence in your body and appearance
5. Confidence in your vocal and storytelling abilities
6. Self-awareness and likeability
7. The capacity to handle rejection and criticism
8. The desire to express in music the emotional experiences of the human condition