

Find what makes you unique and lean into it.

- ★ Create a stage persona
- ★ Exaggerate your ideal self
- ★ Ask your friends to describe you
- ★ Write down words that describe you



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Take up space.

- ★ Get out from behind the stand
- ★ Use the whole stage
- ★ Dance if you are waiting to sing
- ★ If it feels awkward its right
- ★ Interact with your audience
- ★ A crowd will only move if you do



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Keep it moving.

- ★ Talk to your audience between numbers
- ★ Enjoy applause but don't wait too long before you start the next number
- ★ Introduce yourself
- ★ Only use silence to hold a moment



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Find your style.

- ★ Look at your heroes – they all have a style
- ★ Make something your signature
- ★ Choose shoes to match the look
- ★ Exaggerate your own style



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Participation.

- ★ Get your audience involved
- ★ Get them to sing with you
- ★ Do call and response
- ★ Use eye contact
- ★ Work your audience into the song
- ★ Banter between songs



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Humanise your music

- ★ Whether it's yours or not, tell a story
- ★ React to band members
- ★ Be moved by an emotional song
- ★ Look like you're having a good time
- ★ You are a performer so act!



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Research

- ★ Look at what makes others unique
- ★ Try out their moves and adapt it to make it yours – DON'T COPY!!
- ★ Try moves in the practice room



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Record and Review

- ★ Get friends or family to record you
- ★ Review what you are doing and change what isn't working
- ★ Are you communicating clearly?
- ★ Are you interacting enough?



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What does the audience want?

- ★ They are there to be entertained – think about what you would want to watch
- ★ What are you making them feel?
- ★ What can keep them looking at you?



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Practice

- ★ The more you do at every show, the more you will feel confident
- ★ If you need words, put it on a music stand and glance over – don't bury your face in your phone
- ★ If all else fails: Fake it till you make it!



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Make mistakes work

- ★ Your audience wants you to succeed
- ★ If mess up carry on – your audience will forget the mistake if you make the next part unforgettable
- ★ Don't make a face – your audience may not have even noticed!
- ★ If you must acknowledge it, laugh it off!



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