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Matthew is best known for his portraits of celebrities, actors and models, among them Angela Bassett, Tyra Banks, Queen Latifah, Aretha Franklin and Samuel L. Jackson. His client list includes Olay, Pantene, Revlon, Sony Entertainment, HBO and Showtime.

He is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the Vision Award for his third book, *Future American President: 50 States, 100 Families, Infinite Dreams*, which features portraits of children from one hundred families and every state in the union.

The goal of the book is to inspire every child to dream big, knowing they have infinite possibilities.

His work was selected for the 2014 Power of the Image exhibition in Beijing, China. He is currently working on a project inspired by his travels to Asia.

Matthew has taught at the School of Visual Arts and the Santa Fe Photographic Workshops. He has appeared on *The View*, *Good Day New York* and BET, was guest photographer and judge on *America's Next Top Model* and is the host of the photography podcast, *Master Your Lens*, found on iTunes.

“ I never want to have a posed image. When you make a connection and get past the practiced look, you get an image that's really a part of the person. ”



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Matthew's Gear



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