

# Local girl has screen time in movie, *Mama*

If you were one of the million people who watched the supernatural horror film *Mama* at the cinema then you would have seen a local seven-year-old Halton Hills girl as the “Lily” photo double.

Katerina Kerfoot has been involved in acting since she was at least four years old. She has had various background parts and been featured background for several television shows and movies.

September 2011 Katerina went for a “go see” which is when the director looks at actors who are a close match to in size and looks to the contracted actors. She was chosen as the best match for Isabelle Nélisse, the character for Lily for the hit movie *Mama*.

So you ask what exactly is a photo double? Productions often hire photo doubles to be the characters in scenes where their face directly is not shown. However they do not very often give them on screen credit, as they do not want the public to know it isn't all the same person.

Katerina was on set for 17 days and was in many scenes of the movie. When Lily is standing looking into a room at *Mama*, that was Katerina. When Lily is standing looking at the wall that was actually Katerina, to name a few. She was such a hit with the director and production staff, they also had her photo double for Victoria (her hand when the “moth” lands on it) and young Victoria (her hand when she picks up a cherry in



Katerina Kerfoot (far right) with her sisters Mackenzie (left) and Natasha (front) with “Mama” (Javier Botet).

the cabin).

Katerina got to know the hair lady very well as she had to have her hair coloured or a wig applied each time she was on set! While on set, if she was not filming she would either be working with a

tutor that was provided for her, working on school work her teacher supplied or hanging out in her trailer with her mom or grandma.

What was your favourite thing about being on *Mama*?

“It is hard to choose as I loved it all! Being in a harness and lifted off the ground was pretty cool, but so was seeing *Mama* up close...I just loved it all,” said Katerina.

Have you seen the movie in the theatre yet?

“Yes, my mom took me, my grandma and sisters Mackenzie and Natasha to see it”, she said. “I would kick my mom’s seat every time I saw a scene I was in.”

Are you in anything else coming up?

“Yes, I am in a scene on *Rookie Blue* in the new season, which was cool because we watch that show all the time and I got to meet Sam. I was also featured background on a new TV show called *Hannibal* (a spin-off of the movie) and another movie called *The boy who smells like fish*, and another new TV show called *Orphan black*. I can’t remember what else, but there has been a lot.

All of this acting must keep you busy, are you involved in anything else?

“Well, I go to school, I am in Grade 2 now. My sister Natasha and I bowl and even made it to the regional championships! Oh, and I just started training for a swim team since I took a break from gymnastics.

## Community Calendar

### Wednesday, Feb. 20

**Georgetown Horticultural Society:** meets 7:30 p.m. at St. George’s Church, 60 Guelph St. Speaker is Sean James talking about “Close Companions—Using Perennials and Annuals together”. Includes: free refreshment and social time at the end of the evening. Info [www.geohort.com](http://www.geohort.com).

**Lenten Study:** at St. Alban the Martyr Anglican Church, 537 Main Street, Glen Williams. Wheelchair accessible. Eucharist at 6 p.m. followed by soup supper and book study.

**Lenten Lunches:** St. Alban’s Anglican Church, 19 St. Alban’s Dr., Acton will host noon Lenten Lunches from Feb. 13 to March 27. Info: Rev. Brian Galligan, 519-853-2711.

**Zumba with Elizabeth Bell:** Wednesdays, 6:15-7:15 p.m. at The Old Armoury, 1A Park Avenue, Georgetown Fairgrounds. Runs until April 17. Cost: \$10 drop-in rate. Proceeds to Globe Productions for the Old Armoury restoration.

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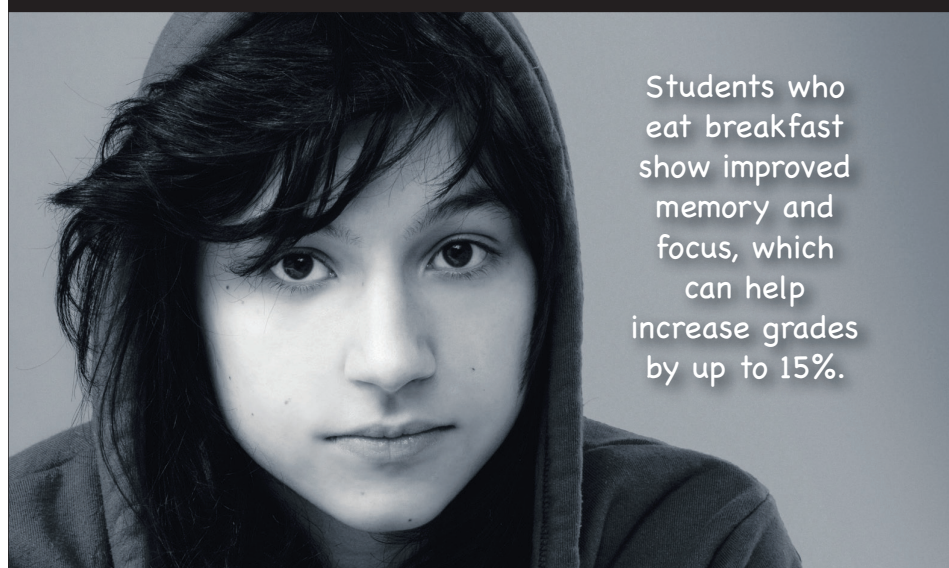
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