

## Star By Chance

Alexandra Dahlström, 14, film star by accident.

- I was standing in line at an audition. When I arrived, I said my name, says Alexandra.



So she got her first film role. Now she is starring in *Show Me Love*, her second film.

The director Lukas Moodysson saw her in the movie *Truth or Dare* and thought she suited the role of Elin in *Show Me Love*.

*Show Me Love* is a new Swedish film, which premieres on Friday. Alexandra Dahlström has one of the main roles of a small-town girl named Elin. Alexandra is a girl full of ideas and energy, although it is the day after the big gala premiere in Trollhättan. She's easy to talk to and immediately starts bubbling.

- I think *Show Me Love* is a kind, brave and happy movie. Elin is so funny, she's sassy, yet kind, she says. When I auditioned for the role, I thought that Elin was more extreme than I am. But now, after the movie, I have become Elin, schizophrenic huh? Elin thinks a lot but is still naïve. I think I have come up with more things that Elin.

Alexandra is 14 and has lived in Stockholm since she was two years old but was born in Gävle, so she has small hometown genes. Elin, in the film is incredibly tired of small town life. Alexandra herself could not imagine living somewhere other than Stockholm.

- There are more opportunities here, but small towns have their charm as well, she says.

When Alexandra was little she danced ballet, loved the color pink and was a crybaby. She read a lot but then she was disrupted by *Veckorevyn*. Now she has at least started to read books again.

- I read *Veckorevyn* a while ago and felt sick, she says and sighs.

She thinks it's fun to provoke boring people so they'll think she's weird.

**How does it feel to kiss a girl like you did in the movie?**

Alexandra starts to laugh and says:

- It's always fun to kiss. People put so much emphasis on it but it's not so strange. Girls have less stubble that is the only difference. Kissing is like hugging. Okay a little more.

Alexandra does not know if film is something she wants to be involved with in the future. She says she refuses to decide. There are many other things she wants to do. She does not think money is the most important thing. The important thing is that she gets to work with something she thinks is fun and gets to meet lots of people. She still seems to think it's been great to film a movie.

**What is your dream role?**

- No, ooh the question I have heard before. I want to be able to answer but I have no dream role. But I would like to be in a Quentin Tarantino movie.

Soap actor is probably not for Alexandra. She has not been able to watch an entire episode.

- But you never know with me, I have such a double standard. I can tell you one thing and do another, she says and continues.
- Speaking of double standards, I was annoyed by the puffy coats everyone has nowadays. I bugged my friends and said they look like clones. You know what? Now I have bought myself one. Talk about double standards, I'm also a clone. Haha!

The fact she has acted in films has not changed her or her life that much. School is going well and she has the same friends as before. She says she does not aspire to be popular. She has many close friends and does not think it's fun to try to be popular.

**Do you get more guys now that you're famous?**

- Yeah, they just flock! No, I'm joking, laughs Alexandra.

She thinks that men and women don't understand each other.

- It's more fun to just make out. There probably aren't many 14-15 year olds who are seriously in love, she says.

**Alexandra's list of fun things:**

- Politics, I think it's great fun to discuss.
- Music, I'd like to be pretentious and have super tracks but it's expensive to buy discs.
- Writing is also fun. I usually write down my thoughts sometimes in poems, sometimes writing chronicles.

- Clothes, but it's really superficial.
- Japanese chef's knives are fine.

**Other odds and ends:**

- Family: Mother Irina, dad Hasse and big sister Jenny
- Previous Film Roles: Fanny in *Truth or Dare*
- Future: Will be in an episode of *St. Mikeal's*, then it's time to focus on school.
- Have Had: A rabbit who peed everywhere

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