

CASTING NOTES

by Brigette Laugharne,
Casting Director

Uncle Francis

Dominic Laugharne is really the only choice for this role - and I'm saying that as a casting director, not his ex-wife.

He's got the market for dominant patriarch types cornered - and he does a great death scene, too.

Vanessa, Francis' wife

I think we have to go for Keira Reynolds-Yang for this one. I know she's not exactly... well, you know. But with her parentage you can't doubt the pedigree.

I don't think the age gap with Dominic will be a problem, and you can't argue with the social media audience she buys us.

Roles Already Cast:

DAHLIA LIVELY: POSY STARLING

JOHNNIE SWAIN: KIT LEWIS

GREAT AUNT HERMIONE: ROSALIND STARLING

LADY VIOLET, NEIGHBOUR: MOIRA GARDINER

COLONEL STEWART, FRIEND FROM INDIA:

BENNETT GRACY

Bess, Dahlia's maid/sidekick

I really like Nina Novak for this role. She's green, I know, but her stage work is fantastic, and I think this could be the kickstart her movie career needs.

Plus she's cheap, which helps the budget...

Notes from the director:

You know I love Dominic personally, but one or two of the investors have raised concerns about his reputation with younger, female co-stars. We're sure we're okay there? Re: Novak, the budget is a good point. May pay for Keira.

-Anton.

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Cousin Bertie

Gabriel Perez tested really well for this role, and had great chemistry with Scarlett (see below). I think they could be a good couple.

Also, he's a safe pair of hands, with all the new blood on set, but still draws in plenty of attention - and admiration.

Rose, Bertie's wife

So, I think we're settled on Scarlett Young for this role, right? It's a big departure for her, and she's only 22, but I'm hoping Gabriel will take her under his wing.

Plus she's got that soap opera audience going for her. Would be nice to get them buying tickets.

Location Details:

MAJORITY OF FILMING TO TAKE PLACE AT TŶ GWYN (PRONOUNED TEA GWYN, I THINK) NEAR GLAN Y WERN VILLAGE (YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS MINE ON THAT ONE).

MAY BE ABLE TO USE SOME LOCALS AS EXTRAS/SERVANT ROLES?

Charles, Dahlia's ex-fiancé

If Gabriel's playing Bertie, then I think we go with Tristan Haworth for this one. He's definitely got the right look - all pale aristocratic nonsense.

But he's solid, and I think he'll mesh well with Posy. (Just not as well as Kit, we hope!)

Notes from the director:

Yep, these all work for me. Will be good to work with Gabriel again and, I agree, if anyone can teach Scarlett the ways of the movie set it's probably him. I just need to check a few details with Gabe before we confirm. Otherwise, we're there!

-Anton.