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Actor Myles Pollard braves hypothermia for art

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Myles Pollard at Cowaramup Bay where he filmed scenes from his new film *Drift*.

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SURFERS braved thumping waves in the Drug Aware Margaret River Pro yesterday, but the star of the big-budget surfing movie *Drift* reckons his life was repeatedly in danger during filming in the South-West.

Myles Pollard, who plays Andy Kelly in the \$11.4 million film that premiered on Thursday, said he had hypothermia after shooting an ocean scene in winter.

"The character I was playing was poor, so we decided he wouldn't have had a wetsuit. I was in the water for three hours," he said.

"It was absolutely freezing. I went back to my trailer and I went into a deep sleep, which they say is one of the symptoms of hypothermia. My core body temp had dropped so much, I crashed. I was shaking."

Pollard also filmed surf scenes in Bunker Bay the day before a shark killed bodyboarder Kyle James Burden.