**Emilia Clarke Turned Down ‘Fifty Shades of Grey.’**

Emilia Clarke was offered the role of Anastasia Steele in last year’s *Fifty Shades of Grey*movie adaptation, but turned it down. Why would she turn down such a major movie role? The nudity! Clarke rejected the movie because it required nudity, which is something she had already done in *Game of Thrones*and in her Broadway debut.

“I’d done nudity before and was concerned with being labeled for doing it again,” Clarke recently told [The Hollywood Reporter](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2015/03/25/emilia-clarke-fifty-shades_n_6940586.html) in an interview.

Clarke claims she has no regrets about turning down the movie, which ended up being a critical mess but a box office success.

**She Used to Work as a Licensed Real Estate Agent.**

While she was a student at New York University, Clarke worked as a licensed real estate agent for two summers as one of her six jobs she was worked to pay the rent, according to an interview with [Marie Claire](http://www.marieclaire.com/culture/a9361/young-hollywood-may-cover-story/). I would’ve purchased whatever house she was selling.

**The Actress Only Had 24 Hours to Prepare for Her ‘Game of Thrones’ Audition.**

Emilia Clarke only had 24 hours to prepare for her *Game of Thrones*audition. To prepare for the interview, she called in sick to her catering job and “Wikipedia-ed the crap out of it.” Four days after the interview, Clarke learned that she would star in HBO’s *Game of Thrones*as Daenerys Targaryen. Clarke discussed her *Game of Thrones*audition with Jimmy Fallon once, in which she mentioned that show runner David Benioff suggested she do a dance. Clarke’s response? She did the funky chicken which transitioned into the robot.

**She Auditioned for Sharon Carter/Agent 13 in ‘Captain America: The Winter Soldier,’ But Lost to Emily VanCamp.**

[Deadline](http://deadline.com/2012/10/five-actresses-testing-for-captain-america-2-role-black-widow-might-drop-by-as-well-347013/) reported that Clarke was one of five actresses whom tested for the role of Sharon Carter in *Captain America: The Winter Soldier,*but she was beat out by Emily VanCamp. Among the losing auditions were *Downton Abbey’s*Jessica Brown Findlay, Teresa Palmer, Imogen Poots and Alison Brie. If you ask me, Clarke would have made a bad-ass love interest for Steve Rogers.

**Clarke Was Voted #1 on Ask Men’s ‘Most Desirable Women of 2014′ List.**

It’s not exactly the most impressive feat, but Clarke was voted the most desirable woman of 2014 by a poll on Askmen.com. This was her third year appearing in the yearly poll, in which she made her debut in 2013 at #88. That’s quite a major jump, wouldn’t you say?

**London Born and Raised**

Born on April 7, 1987, in London, England, Clarke attended the St. Edward's School in Oxford from 2000 to 2005, then went on to study at Drama Centre London from where she graduated in 2009. Her first role was in the British soap opera "Doctors" in 2009, but her interest in acting began at the age of three.

**The Khaleesi Wig**

Fans don't recognize Clarke without her Khaleesi wig. She is a brunette in real life. She told "GQ" in a recent interview that, "It takes a die-hard fan to actually spot me. I keep asking to go out with the wig at night, but they insist there's no way. It's silly to say, but when I take the wig off at the end of the day, I'm rather disappointed when I look in the mirror."

**"Breakfast at Tiffany's"**

"Breakfast at Tiffany's" is a Broadway play that began its run in 1966. On March 20, 2013, Emilia Clarke began portraying Holly Golightly in the Broadway production of the play. Her performances ended on April 21, due to lagging ticket sales, but Clarke received high praise for her performance.

**"Girls"**

"Girls" is an HBO comedy/drama series that follows a group of 20-somethings living in New York City, and it's a show Emilia Clarke absolutely loves. In her interview with "GQ" she said, "I'd give my right arm to be, like, a random extra on Girls, just to walk past one of the scenarios."

**Emilia Clarke, the Musician**

It's not hard to see that Emilia Clarke is a talented actress, but she is actually quite the musician, as well. Her musical talents include singing and playing the flute, piano, and the guitar. Unfortunately for her fans, she doesn't get the chance to use these talents on her hit show "Game of Thrones."

**She Loves Daenerys**

Clarke loves the character she plays on "Game of Thrones." In an interview with the LA Times, Clarke said, "One of the many things I love about Daenerys from Game of Thrones is she's given me an opportunity to fly the flag for young girls and women, to be more than just somebody's wife and somebody's girlfriend." She appreciates her character's softer side as well as her many strengths.

**Emilia Clarke's Eyebrows**

While many actresses on the Hollywood scene pluck or shape their eyebrows, Clarke learned a very important eyebrow lesson from her mother. In a recent interview she said, "My mum had rules when I was growing up: Don't do drugs, don't have sex, and don't touch your eyebrows. So I got bullied as a kid for having ridiculous eyebrows. She said, 'You'll be thankful when you're older,' and I am."

**Clarke Wasn't the First Daenerys**

In the original pilot for "Game of Thrones," Tamzin Merchant, previously of "The Tudors" fame, won the role of Daenerys. The reason of the recast wasn't disclosed but the part of the mother of dragons certainly belongs to Emilia Clarke. Fans of the show and the character would probably agree that casting Clarke was the right decision.

**Hot and Talented**

As of July 2013, Clarke had her name placed on both the Victoria's Secret What is Sexy list and the Maxim Hot 100 List. Besides being eye candy for the guys in the audience, she also has tons of talent. In 2013, she received the BAFTA nomination for best supporting actress in a drama.

Emilia Clarke is the talented actress who portrays Daenerys, mother of the Dragons on the HBO series "Game of Thrones." She is a beautiful lady and has a lot of talent to offer.