

Thank you for taking an interest in having a custom website built with stageHacker! This document is intended to provide you with some essential information about the process moving forward. It is not, however, intended to be an entirely comprehensive guide, but will hopefully give you a better idea of what to expect. Please make note of any question you may have - no matter how trivial they may seem. I look forward to discussing your new site with you!

PRICING

When breaking down the cost of a website, there are three main areas to consider:

Design/Construction, Domain Registration, and Hosting. Allow me to take a moment to break each of these down and the approximate cost for each.

Design/Construction (\$495)

This is the service provided by stageHacker. This one time cost covers the design, development, and deployment of your website. This is where all the heavy lifting occurs.

Domain Registration (Approximately \$12 - \$20 Annually)

This is the process by which you secure your custom URL, i.e. "www.yourname.com." This cost will not be paid to stageHacker but to a third-party domain provider such as Google Domains, GoDaddy, etc.

You may already be the proud owner of your domain. If that is the case, I will direct that address to your new site.

However, if you do not already own your domain that will be one of the first things we should accomplish. I recommend using <u>Google Domains</u>. It is very easy to use and starts at only \$12/year. They also offer perks like privacy protection!

Whichever domain service you use, I will guide you through the process, or if you like, take care of it entirely!

Hosting (Approximately \$2 - \$7 Monthly)

Much like a car needs a parking space, your website needs a "place to live" on the internet. That is where *hosting* comes in to play. Just as with domain registration, this cost will not be paid to stageHacker but to a third-party hosting provider.

Hosting costs can vary greatly depending on the type of website, but a personal portfolio site will only cost an average of \$3 - \$5 per month. Check out <u>Hostinger</u> for more information!

I will fully set up your hosting service, and once your website is deployed, hand off the admin credentials to you.

MATERIALS

In order to really get started building your site, I will need a collection of the assets you would like on your site (headshots, resume, production photos, etc.).

In addition, I will need links to any online media content you would like included (Youtube, SoundCloud, Twitter, etc.).

To facilitate the sharing of files, I will provide you with a Google Drive folder in which you can place everything you want on the site. Included will be a document in which you can save links to your online media.

Finally, I will need a written copy of the text you would like on the site (i.e. Bio, About, Title, etc.).

PASSWORDS

In order to fully configure and deploy your website, it will likely be necessary that I be given access to your account with your domain provider. That being the case, I suggest you implement a temporary password when the time comes and upon completion of the project revert to a password that is known only to you.

If you are using Google Domains, they, fortunately, allow you to share domain management with additional users. This keeps your information safe, and additional users can be removed as soon as their work is complete.