

# Ilona Massey



## Description

This is a portrait of actress Ilona Massey. Original caption: To sing with Eddy...Ilona Massey, European singing star, will be Nelson Eddy's next singing partner. The lovely blonde star from Budapest will team with Eddy in "Balalaika" at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Miss Massey made a brief debut in "Rosalie" with Eddy and then began a year and a half of grooming to perfect her English and acting before making her major debut in a co-starring role. Her training is similar to Eddy's who waited almost two years before he went into "Naughty Marietta" and then became a star overnight.

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8x10 inches (21x26 cm)      Black & White

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