

# DONNA BOTHA

Location: Nelson | Height: 161 cm

Eye Colour: Brown | Hair Colour: Brown | Ethnicity: European

Donna Botha's been quietly carving out her spot in the acting world of Nelson, with a knack for slipping into roles across film, TV, and theatre. From her early days on "Shortland Street" to her more recent roles in the short film scene and on stage, she's shown a range that spans from heartfelt leads to quirky supports. Notably, her roles in films like "James Blonde" and "Northspur" have not only showcased her talent but also earned her accolades, including a Best Actress win at the Top of the South Film Festival. Off-screen, Donna's dedication to her craft is evident in her continuous pursuit of training, from acting workshops to singing lessons, all while keeping it real with that laid-back Kiwi charm. 2023 saw her taking the lead on stage again in CHONA - The Complete History of Nelson Abridged, directed by Mark Hadlow.

### AWARDS

2022	Amity	Award: Best Supporting	Top of the South Film Festival
		Actress Nominee	
2022	James Blonde	Award: Best Actress	Top of the South Film Festival
2021	Blood Barn	Award: Fan Favourite	48 Hour Film Festival
2020	Epoch Ellipse	Award: Best Actress Nominee	Top of the South Film Festival
2020	Gone	Award: Best supporting Actress	Top of the South Film Festival

### FEATURE FILM



Moose Ninja Studios - Director:

# TELEVISION/ TELEVISION ON DEMAND

**2016** All Bi Myself [web series] Role: Sonya Director: Aimee Bentall

**2014 -** Shortland Street Role: Featured Nurse South Pacific Pictures - Director:

Role: Girlfriend

Role: Locton Gang Member

**2015** Various

## SHORT FILM

A Quiet Cinema

2024

2020

2020

2018

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			Neil Benson
2024	Gangster Nicknames	Role: Subtext Susie	Director: Justin Eade
2024	Guard the Gate	Role: Annie Oakley [co-lead]	Moose Ninja Studios -
			Directors: Dave Kwant & Douglas
			Brooks
			Producer & Writer: Neil Benson
2024	Manager, please!	Role: Kaylee	Director: Justin Eade
2024	One Up	Role: Moze	Moose Ninja Studios - Director:
			Neil Benson
2024	The Good Man	Role:	48 Hour Short Film Competition -
			Director: Benjamin Stiles
2023	Shuffled	Role: Grace [supporting]	Director: Matt Stevens
			Writer: Chris Lippiatt
2023	The Brush Off	Role: Sam [co-lead]	Vision Co - Writer &
			Director: Dave Kwant
2023	War of the Woods	Role: Lara [co-lead]	Director: Douglas Brooks
			Writer: Naomi Strain
2022	One For All	Role: Molly	Director: Naomi Strain
2022	The Temple	Role: Tessa [co-lead]	Director: Joachim Lang
2022	Uncle Bill	Role: Neighbour	Director: Joachim Lang
2021	Amity	Role: Adira	Director: Naomi Strain
2021	Blood Barn	Role: Wife	48 Hour Film Festival - Director:
			Doug Brooks
2021	James Blonde	Role: Imelda	Director: Jonathan Lopardo
2021	The Cure	Role: Isla	Director: Naomi Strain
2021	Tinsel Over Twizel	Role: Mona	Director: Pamela Guha
2020	Epoch Ellipse	Role: Zelda	Director: Justin Eade, Jonathan

Role: Sam

Role: Carrie

Role: Sheila



Stason Jatham

Ace of Spades

Gone

Director: Justin Eade

Director: Matt Johnstone

Lopardo

Ross

Director: Naomi Strain, Cameron

Amie Bentall

#### THEATRE

**2024** Vinegar Tom Role: Goody Haskins Nelson Repertory Theatre Inc -

Director: Anton Bentley
Theatre Royal Nelson Writer: Caryl Churchill

2023 CHONA = Complete History if Role: Female Nelsonian [lead] Nelson Professional Theatre

Company - Director: Mark Hadlow

Writer: Gregory Cooper

**2023** Love Me Tinder Role: Harriet [lead] Philomena Donlon - Director:

Gwen Daly Dover

### TRAINING

Nelson Abridged

**2023** Acting Workshop Tutor: Alice O'Donoghue

**2022 -** Acting Coaching Tutor: Elena Stejko Actors Studio

2024

2020 The Radical Actor Tutor: Jon Hunter2019 - Actors Lab Tutor: Peter Feeney

2020

**2015 -** One on One Singing Lessons Tutor: Sarah Radford

2020

**2015** Screen Acting Tutor: Paulo Rotondo

2014Comprehensive ActingTutor: Jennifer Ward-Lealand2014Stage CombatTutor: Alexander Holloway

**2010 -** One on One Singing Lessons Tutor: Marvin Smith

2015

#### VOICE

**2023** Law Zero Role: Central Computer Director: John Herd

### SKILLS

Accents American - Standard, English

OtherStage FightingSingingAlto, BassSportsHorse Riding

