

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



TELEVISION & STREAMING

2016 All Bi Myself Role: Sonya Director: Aimee Bentall

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

Various

SHORT FILM

2015

2023

2025	Micro Heist	Role: Donna	Moose Ninja Studios -
			Director: Douglas Brooks
			48 Hour Film Festival - #2 Fan
			Favourite
2025	Reality Check	Role: Eve	Vision Co - Director: Martyn Van

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Nominated Best Actress

2025	Too Keen	Role: Natalie	NorthPark Productions -
			Director: Geoff Anderson

2024	A Quiet Cinema	Role: Girlfriend	Moose Ninja Studios - Director:
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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	Hellblade	Roles: Tisiphone, Megaera &	Moose Ninja Studios -
		Allecto [voices]	Director: Neil Benson
2024	Manager, please!	Role: Kaylee	Director: Justin Eade

2024 One Up Role: Moze Moose Ninja Studios - Direc	ctor:
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2024	The Good Man	Role:	48 Hour Short Film Competition -

			Director: Benjamin Stiles
2023	Shuffled	Role: Grace [supporting]	Director: Matt Stevens Writer: Chris Lippiatt

Role: Sam [co-lead]

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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:
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Doug Brooks

Neil Benson

Vision Co - Writer &



The Brush Off

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 Lopardo 2020 Gone Role: Sam Director: Naomi Strain, Cameron Ross 2020 Stason Jatham Role: Carrie Director: Justin Eade 2018 Ace of Spades Role: Sheila Director: Matt Johnstone 2017 After T&L Role: Bianca 48 Hour Film Festival - Director: 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

Nelson Abridged Company - Director: Mark Hadlow

Writer: Gregory Cooper

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

Gwen Daly Dover

TRAINING

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

2014 Comprehensive Acting
2014 Stage Combat
Tutor: Jennifer Ward-Lealand
Tutor: 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

