
Anita Cumming

Drama and Performance Resume

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RELEVANT STUDY AND TRAINING

As the owner, director and sole teacher of the Anita Cumming School of Drama and Performance, which provides after-school drama classes to the children of Dunedin, I have an extensive and varied background within both teaching and the media and performance industries. I am a graduate of the Dunedin College of Education, majoring in Drama and English – with particular emphasis on Children's Theatre, Drama for Children, Contemporary New Zealand Theatre, and Language and Dance. Additionally, my study and training within the field of drama and performance includes vocal training and singing instruction (Kathleen Craig, 1989-1993, and Gladys Hope, 2000-2002), along with various acting workshops and classes including the acclaimed Michael Saccente workshop in Dunedin in 2002. What follows is an up-to-date resume of my performing experience.

TELEVISION, VIDEO AND ADVERTISEMENTS

2013	<i>TV 3 Cure Kids</i> , Presenter
2008	<i>Shortland Street</i> , 'Anthea Chrighton'
2007	<i>The Young Persons Guide to Alcohol</i> , Documentary. Presenter
2006	<i>Shortland Street</i> , 'TV Presenter'
2006	Rugby World Cup Heineken commercial, 'Supporter'
2006	<i>Passion in Paradise</i> , Red Sky Television, 'Mary Alleyne' (dramatisation inserts for William Larnach documentary)
2006	Green Concrete Films, <i>The Scurvy Dogs</i> music video. Actor
2004-2009	<i>StoryTime</i> , Channel 9. Presenter
2004	Ocean Waves exhibition video, Otago Settlers Museum, Story Inc. 'Caitlin'
2004	Educational video presenter, The Very Useful Picture Company
2002	Onefest TV3 advertisement, 'Shop Assistant'
2001	<i>I Am Dunedin</i> , DCC advertisement. Extra
2001	Fortune Theatre television advertisement. Extra

VOICE OVER FOR TELEVISION

Television Shows

- 2006 *Studio 2*, Channel 2, Taylormade Media. Voice of 'Jenna'
2003-2005 *Squirt*, Channel 2, Taylormade Media. Voice of 'Pivot'
2004 *Saturday Disney*, Channel 2, Taylormade Media. Various voiceovers

Television Advertisements

- 2010 'Pearl Lights', The Video Factory
2010 Business on line, presenter
2005 Night and Day Foodstores, Taylormade Media
2003 Glad Products, New Zealand Food Safety
2003 Mita Hair Accessories, 'Funky Girl' product range
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FILM

Features

- 2003 *Belief*, Dir. Phil Davison, Primitive Digital Film. 'Lizzie'
2003 *Ted and Sylvia*, Dir. Christine Jeffs, The Girl Film Company. Extra

Shorts

- 2002 *John Street*, Dir. Rowan Wernham (Mothra Award – Best Film). 'Laura'
2002 *Here Lies Jobe*, Dir. Luke Badger. 'Young Mother'
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RADIO

- 2000-2010 More FM, Weekend DJ
2007-2009 The Breeze, Breakfast show host
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THEATRE

- 2013 *Little Rockin' Robin Hood*, Anita Cumming Productions, Director
2013 *Hansel and Gretel*, Anita Cumming Productions, Director
2012 *Aladdin*, Anita Cumming Productions, Director
2012 *Surfs up dude it's The Little Mermaid*, Anita Cumming Productions, Director
2012 *Snow White*, Stageworks, Director
2011 *Alice in Wonderland*, Repertory society, Director
2010 *The Wizard of Oz*, Repertory Society. 'Witch of the West'
2010 *BadJelly The Witch*, Repertory Society. Director
2009 *The Frog Prince*, Repertory Society. 'Snow White Witch'
2009 *Sleeping Beauty*, Repertory Society. 'Malificent'
2007 *The Wizard of Oz*, Repertory Society. 'Glinda'
2006 *Social Climbers*, Repertory Society. 'Sinead'
2005 *The Frog Prince*, Repertory Society. 'Frog Princess'
2004 *Sleeping Beauty*, Repertory Society. 'Malificent'
2004 *It Gives Me Great Pleasure*, Dunedin Operatic Society. Company
2003 *Pinocchio*, Repertory Society. 'Cat'
2003 *Bad Jelly The Witch*, Repertory Society. 'Bad Jelly'
2003 *'Allo 'Allo*, Dunedin Operatic Society. 'Mimi'

2002 *Mystery on the Orient Express*, Dunedin Operatic Society. 'French Maid'
 2002 *Mad Hatters Tea Party*, Theatreworks. 'Alice'
 2002 *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat*, Taieri Musical Society.
 'Wife'
 2002 *Die Fledermaus*, Opera Otago. Chorus
 2001 Christmas Show, Playhouse Theatre. 'Sophia Loren', 'Gloria'
 2001 *Jesus Christ Superstar*, Dunedin Operatic. Chorus
 2000 *Butterflies Are Free*, Dunedin Repertory. Lead Female, 'Jill Tanner'
 2000 *42nd Street*, Dunedin Operatic. Chorus
 2000 *Music Hall*, Dunedin Repertory. Company
 2000 *Daughters of Heaven*, Contemporary NZ Theatre, DCE. 'Pauline', 'Judge'
 2000 *Pass It On* (Excerpts), Contemporary NZ Theatre, DCE. 'Nell'
 1999 *Greed*, Children's Theatre, DCE. 'Mrs S'
 1999 *People In Black*, Drama For Children, DCE. Co-director
 1998 *Command or Promise*, Short Play Festival. Lead Role, 'Beth'
 1991 *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, Chorus
 1991 Marla and Marisa Craig Farewell Concert

OTHER

2011 Cue TELEVISION Sky Television presenter for Aoraki Polytechnic
 2000-present Voiceover artise chanel 9
 2007 Straylight Productions 'Model' for Mitchell Mackersy Lawyers
 2007 Dunedin Public Library Holiday Programme, 'She'll Be Right Mate'
 2002-2010 Dunedin Medical School, SPDU actor. Recognised as 'Outstanding
 performance programme actor'
 2002 *Lord of the Rings* public reading, Dunedin Public Library
 2002 *Out of Order*, Dunedin Repertory Society.
 1993-1996 Logan Park High School Jazz Band and School Choir

TEACHING

2010- 2011 Drama Lecturer, University of Otago's College of Education
 2009-present Anita Cumming School of Drama and Performance. Owner, director,
 teacher
 2008 Drama teacher, Taieri College
 2008 English Advantage relieving teacher
 2008 Private speech and drama teacher
 2005 Drama Workshops in Central Otago, audition process tutor
 2000-2009 Kavanagh College, long-term relieving teacher
 2000-2008 Theatreworks drama teacher
