



Curriculum Vitae

Joanna Prendergast

Actor / Improvisor / Stand up Comedian

HEIGHT

166cm / 5ft 5in

BIRTHDATE

22 April 1969 (56 this year)

EYE COLOUR

Blue

HAIR COLOUR

Blonde

NATURAL ACCENT

New Zealand

OTHER ACCENTS

Upper Class British

VOCAL RANGE

Alto

ETHNICITY

European

LOCATION

Christchurch

Experience

FEATURE FILM

2021	Taniwha Gorge (Pilot)	Witch	Dir. Corran Lindsay, Christchurch, NZ
2017	LimpDick	Michelle	Dir. Mason Cade Packer, Christchurch, NZ
2016	The Stolen	French Washer Woman	Stolen Lights Limited, Dir. Niall Johnson, Christchurch, NZ
2016	The Changeover	Assistant Surgeon	Dir. Miranda Harcourt and Stuart Mackenzie, Christchurch, NZ

TELEVISION

2017	Inner Ivy - Adam and Eve Show	Barbara (recurring)	Whitebait TV, Christchurch, NZ
2016	Dead Famous	Helen	03 Production, Dir. Max Hoffman, Christchurch, NZ
2013	Hope and Wire	Court Registrar	GPP, Dir. Gaylene Preston, Christchurch

THEATRE

2017	The Sourcer's Appendix	Multiple Roles	No Productions, Dir. David Allen, Christchurch, NZ
2016	Token of Friendship	Miroslava	Orange Studios, Dir. Nataliya Oryshchuk, Christchurch, NZ
2016	Lifecycle of Refridgerators	Linda	Orange Studios, Dir. Nataliya Oryshchuk, Christchurch, NZ
2016	Riccarton House Ghost Tours	Dorcas	No Productions, Christchurch, NZ
2015 - current	Untold Stories	Improviser	Impulse Theatre Company, Dir. Jonathan Briden, Christchurch, NZ
2005-Now	Improvised Theatre Performances	Improviser	The Court Theatre, Dir. Various, Christchurch
1999	Popsters	Improviser-Long Form	Dir. David Bloustein, Sydney
1994-2004	Improvised Theatre Performances	Improviser	Impro Australia, Dir. Various, Sydney

COMMERCIALS

2017	Ace Video	Lead	Whilm Films, Christchurch, NZ
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SHORT FILM

2022	The Outsider	School Principal	Dir. Sukvivar Parmar, Christchurch, NZ
2017	And They Were All Yellow	Mother	University of Canterbury, Dir. Corey Middleditch, Christchurch, NZ

2016	Awkward Interview	Lawyer	Whilmfilms/Strang Entertainment, Dir. Rowan Strang, Christchurch, NZ
2016	12 Hours	Aunt	Dir. Mark Chan, Christchurch, NZ
2016	Horror Kitten	Mother	Canterbury University, Dir. Daniel Sheridan, Christchurch, NZ
2016	Every Romance Trailer Ever	Mother	Strang Entertainment, Dir. Rowan Strang, Christchurch, NZ
2015	The Ask	Lead	Broadcasting School, Christchurch, NZ
2015	The Prisoner	Lead	Broadcasting School, Christchurch, NZ
2015	Doodlebug	German Rocket Scientist	Canterbury University, Dir. Hayley Sheppard, Christchurch, NZ
2015	Detention	Headmistress	Upshot, Dir. Debbie Klausen, Christchurch, NZ
2014	Twitching	Lead	University of Canterbury , Christchurch, NZ
2014	The Cake	Lead	Broadcasting School, Christchurch, NZ
2014	St Lyricals	Lead	Upshot, Christchurch, NZ

WEB SERIES

2017	Circle	Mother	Whilm Films, Dir. Jonathan Briden, Christchurch, NZ
2015	I Can't I Have Rehearsal - Web Series Pilot	Dancer/Actor/Singer	Strang Entertainment, Christchurch, NZ

SIMULATIONS

2015 - current	Medical Simulations	Role Play Actor	Totara Productions, Christchurch, NZ
2014 - current	Medical Simulations	Role Play Actor	Outstanding Performance, Christchurch, NZ

STAND UP COMEDY

2025	Cancer and Cartwheels		Toured internationally - Australia
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2025	#Coping (in development)	New Zealand
2023 - 2024	The Cool Mum	Australia and UK/Edinburgh Fringe Festival
2023	Solo Comedy Show - Cancer and Cartwheels	Christchurch, NZ
2020 - 2022	Solo Comedy Show - The Cool Mum	Christchurch, NZ

Training & Education

2017	Tuneup Masterclass	Cameron Rhodes
2017	Screen Acting Workshop	Peter Feeney
2017	Comedy	Danny Mulheron
2017	Standup Comedy Workshop	Meegwai
2017	Improv for Actors	Bobbi Block
2017	Improvisation	Dave Razowsky
2016 - 2017	Workshops and Productions	NZ Improv Festival
2016	Voice on Screen	Cameron Rhodes
2016	Masterclass	Stu Turner, Catch Casting, Auckland, NZ
2016	Actor in Process	Sara Wiseman
2016	Improvisation for Actors	Dave Razowsky and Bobbi Block
2015	Art of Acting	Jennifer Ward
2015	Screen Acting Masterclass	Miranda Harcourt
2015	Masterclass	Sima Urale
2014	Screen Acting	Miranda Harcourt
2014	Audition Technique	Barefoot Casting Company
2014	Voice and Performing	Jane Oakshott
2013	Acting for Film Tuition	Totara Productions-Ron Rodgers
2005-Now	Improvisation Workshops	The Court Theatre-Keith Johnstone and Court Jesters

1994-2004	Improvisation Workshops	Impro Australia-Lyn Pierse and Others
1993	Acting for Film Course	Wellington Polytech-Peter Jackson and Others

Awards

2020	Best Solo Show	Nelson Fringe
2020	Audience Favourite Show	Nelson Fringe
2020	Breakthrough Comedian Nominee	NZ Comedy Guild

Skills

Competitive Horse Riding, Skiing, Swimming, Dance, Yoga, Certified Scuba Diver

Medical Doctor

Some French and Spanish



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