



Curriculum Vitae

Vanessa Wells

Actor / Improvisor / Presenter / Voice Artist

HEIGHT

172cm / 5ft 8in

BIRTHDATE

3 August 1970 (53 this year)

EYE COLOUR

Brown

HAIR COLOUR

Dark Brown

NATURAL ACCENT

New Zealand

ETHNICITY

European

LOCATIONS

Auckland / Christchurch

Experience

THEATRE

2016	The Streaker	Linda	The Court Theatre, Dir. Mark Hadlow, Christchurch, NZ
2008	The Graduate	Mrs Robinson	Canterbury University, Dir. Emma Cusdin and Hamish Parkinson, Christchurch, NZ
2007	The Full Monty	Pam Lewkowski	Showbiz, Christchurch, Dir. John Hudson
2005 - 2017	Scared Scriptless	Improviser	The Court Jesters - The Court Theatre, Christchurch

COMMERCIALS

2013	Jetstar	Featured	MAP productions, NZ and Australia
2011	Toyota	Wife	Saatchi and Saatchi
2010	Sony/Disney DVDs	Hero Mother	Orly Productions, Christchurch
2010	Baby First	Presenter	Ruffell Productions, Christchurch
2010	Verkerks	Featured	Ruffell Productions, Christchurch, Dir. Louise Leitch
2009	New Zealand Pork Board	Lead Presenter	Shuriken, Christchurch, Dir. Richard Bell
2009	Macquarie Bank	Featured	Film Construction, Australia, Dir. Perry Bradley
2007	New World	Featured	Shuriken, Christchurch, Dir. Richard Bell
2006	Harcourts	Featured	Shuriken, Christchurch, Dir. Richard Bell

FEATURE FILM

2017	Kiwi Christmas	Cathy	Dir. Tony Simpson, Christchurch, NZ
2017	Human Traces	Margo (voice)	Overactive Imaginations Films, Dir. Nic Gorman
2015	Ghost Shark 2: Urban Jaws	Sexy Alcoholic	Dir. Mad Fox Films, Andrew Todd and Johnny Hall
2006	Wait Up Harriet	Stacie	Limelight Motion Picture Company, Christchurch, Dir. Hanna Eichler and Angus Benfield
2006	Husband	Wife	Canterbury University, Dir. Ed Lust

SHORT FILM

2015	The Silent Man	Harper Harrison	TBALC, Dir. Ben Allan
2015	Kin	Catherine	Canterbury University Film School, Dir. Seung-woo Hong, Christchurch, NZ
2013	Azanti	Lead	Zebra Crossing, Dir. Richard Lord, Christchurch, NZ
2012	Fukushu	Hero	Zebra Crossing, Dir. Richard Lord, Christchurch, NZ

2009	Home Front	Mother	Picture The Difference Productions, Christchurch, Dir. Louise Leitch
2009	A Sense of Place	Wine Taster	Porter Pictures, Dir. Alex Porter, Christchurch, NZ
2007	Sleeping Mat	Shelley	Littlewood Productions, Christchurch, Dir. Stephen Cleary
2004	Sleep When You're Dead	Sonya	New Zealand Broadcasting School, Dir. Amanda Boone
2004	Compulsion	Wife	New Zealand Broadcasting School, Dir. Jason Berry

VOICE

2017	NZ Ministry for Primary Industries	Lead Voice - NBV	Stun Media, Dir. Greg Ellis, NZ
2017	NZ Ministry of Justice	Lead Voice - NBV	Stun Media, Dir. Greg Ellis
2016	Simply Furniture	TVC	CTV, Christchurch, NZ
2016	Auckland International Airport	Announcer	Simpleway, NZ
2015 - 2016	NZ on a Plate - Series 5 & 6	Narrator	Destination Media, Dir. Jacqui Shrimpton/Tony Benny, NZ
2013	Avis/Budget Rent-A-Car	IVRS voice	247 Inc, USA
2013	New World Supermarkets (South Island)	In-Store voice	TV5
2012 - 2014	Contracted Commercial Voice		The Radio Network
2011 - 2014	Kitchen Studio	TVC voice	Whitebait Productions, Christchurch, NZ
2009 - 2017	Other Voice Work	Various corporate, e-learning, medical, IVR systems, animation and non-broadcast work.	Home Studio with full editing suite

PRESENTING

2014 - 15	Covered	Presenter	CTV, Christchurch, NZ
2014	Loose Lips	Host	CTV, Christchurch, NZ
2013	RedSeed E-Learning	Presenter	RedSeed Ltd, Dir. Anya Anderson, Christchurch, NZ
2012	City Life	Presenter	CTV, Christchurch, New Zealand
2009	Nine Lessons and Carols	Presenter	TVNZ, Dir. Robert Hagen
2009	Red Seed Sales Training	Presenter	The Plant, Dir. Anya Anderson
2007 - 2008	Good Living	Lead Presenter	Canterbury Television

TELEVISION

2013	Hope and Wire	Nurse Sophie	Gaylene Preston Productions, Dir. Gaylene Preston, Christchurch, NZ
2012	What Now - The Wobblies	Marriage Celebrant	Whitebait Studios, Dir. Robin Shingleton, Christchurch, NZ
2009	Science Girl - USA TV pilot	Headmistress	Apollyon Productions, Dir. Kim Georgine
2009	Kaitangata Twitch	Toni	Kaitangata Twitch Productions, Dir. Yvonne McKay
2006	What Now	Wendy Whiteboard	Whitebait Productions, Christchurch, Dir. Jason Gunn
2004	Oswald Gold	Maia the Aromatherapist	EH Productions, Dir. Patrick Gillies

Training & Education

2017	Masterclasses	Danny Mulheron, Cameron Rhodes, Jennifer Ward-Lealand
2017	Introduction to Perdekamp Emotional Method	Sarah Victoria and Jon Hunter - Open Acting Academy
2017	Actors to Directors	Lara Macgregor
2013	Voice	Estill Programme - Jon Hunter
2012	Advanced Screen Acting	Miranda Harcourt
2009	Screen Acting	Miranda Harcourt

2009	Voice for the Actor	Kirstie O'Sullivan
2008	Voice Technique Workshop	Linda Cartwright
2008	US Accent Workshop	Chris Stewart
2008	Improvisation	Patti Stiles - Impro Melbourne

Awards

2013	National Finalist "Azanti" (Team - Zebra Crossing)	48hour Film Competition
2012	Best Actress and Christchurch Finalist "Fukushu" (Team - Zebra Crossing)	48hour Film Competition
2011	Christchurch Finalist "A Series of Unlikely Events" (Team - Zebra Crossing)	48hour Film Competition

Other

Nominated for "Best Actress" award in a 48hour film in 2007, 2011 and 2013

WIFT NZ (Women in Film and Television) Board Member since 2015

Skills

Cycling - road and mountain bike

Running - road and trail

Kayaking - flat water and whitewater (grade 2)

Rowing

Snow skiing

Tennis

Yoga

Horse riding

Swimming

Sailing

Full and clean drivers licence



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