



# DONNA BOTH A

**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

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

## FEATURE FILM



<b>2019</b>	Northspur	Role: Locton Gang Member	North Park Productions - Director: Aaron Falvey
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## TELEVISION

<b>2016</b>	All Bi Myself [web series]	Role: Sonya	Director: Aimee Bentall
<b>2014 - 2015</b>	Shortland Street	Role: Featured Nurse	South Pacific Pictures - Director: Various

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## SHORT FILM

<b>2024</b>	A Quiet Cinema	Role: Girlfriend	Moose Ninja Studios - Director: Neil Benson
<b>2024</b>	Gangster Nicknames	Role: Subtext Susie	Director: Justin Eade
<b>2024</b>	Guard the Gate	Role: Annie Oakley [co-lead]	Moose Ninja Studios - Directors: Dave Kwant & Douglas Brooks Producer & Writer: Neil Benson
<b>2024</b>	Manager, please!	Role: Kaylee	Director: Justin Eade
<b>2024</b>	One Up	Role: Moze	Moose Ninja Studios - Director: Neil Benson
<b>2024</b>	The Good Man	Role:	48 Hour Short Film Competition - Director: Benjamin Stiles
<b>2023</b>	Shuffled	Role: Grace [supporting]	Director: Matt Stevens Writer: Chris Lippiatt
<b>2023</b>	The Brush Off	Role: Sam [co-lead]	Vision Co - Writer & Director: Dave Kwant
<b>2023</b>	War of the Woods	Role: Lara [co-lead]	Director: Douglas Brooks Writer: Naomi Strain
<b>2022</b>	One For All	Role: Molly	Director: Naomi Strain
<b>2022</b>	The Temple	Role: Tessa [co-lead]	Director: Joachim Lang
<b>2022</b>	Uncle Bill	Role: Neighbour	Director: Joachim Lang
<b>2021</b>	Amity	Role: Adira	Director: Naomi Strain
<b>2021</b>	Blood Barn	Role: Wife	48 Hour Film Festival - Director: Doug Brooks
<b>2021</b>	James Blonde	Role: Imelda	Director: Jonathan Lopardo
<b>2021</b>	The Cure	Role: Isla	Director: Naomi Strain
<b>2021</b>	Tinsel Over Twizel	Role: Mona	Director: Pamela Guha
<b>2020</b>	Epoch Ellipse	Role: Zelda	Director: Justin Eade, Jonathan Lopardo
<b>2020</b>	Gone	Role: Sam	Director: Naomi Strain, Cameron Ross
<b>2020</b>	Stason Jatham	Role: Carrie	Director: Justin Eade
<b>2018</b>	Ace of Spades	Role: Sheila	Director: Matt Johnstone



<b>2017</b>	After T&L	Role: Bianca	48 Hour Film Festival - Director: Amie Bentall
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## THEATRE

<b>2024</b>	Vinegar Tom	Role: Goody Haskins	Nelson Repertory Theatre Inc - Director: Anton Bentley Theatre Royal Nelson - Writer: Caryl Churchill
<b>2023</b>	CHONA = Complete History if Nelson Abridged	Role: Female Nelsonian [lead]	Nelson Professional Theatre Company - Director: Mark Hadlow Writer: Gregory Cooper
<b>2023</b>	Love Me Tinder	Role: Harriet [lead]	Philomena Donlon - Director: Gwen Daly Dover

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## TRAINING

<b>2023</b>	Acting Workshop	Tutor: Alice O'Donoghue	
<b>2022 - 2024</b>	Acting Coaching	Tutor: Elena Stejko	Actors Studio
<b>2020</b>	The Radical Actor	Tutor: Jon Hunter	
<b>2019 - 2020</b>	Actors Lab	Tutor: Peter Feeney	
<b>2015 - 2020</b>	One on One Singing Lessons	Tutor: Sarah Radford	
<b>2015</b>	Screen Acting	Tutor: Paulo Rotondo	
<b>2014</b>	Comprehensive Acting	Tutor: Jennifer Ward-Lealand	
<b>2014</b>	Stage Combat	Tutor: Alexander Holloway	
<b>2010 - 2015</b>	One on One Singing Lessons	Tutor: Marvin Smith	

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## VOICE

<b>2023</b>	Law Zero	Role: Central Computer	Director: John Herd
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## SKILLS

<b>Accents</b>	American - Standard, English
<b>Other</b>	Stage Fighting
<b>Singing</b>	Alto, Bass
<b>Sports</b>	Horse Riding

