### JESSICA HIESER BMus/BTeach

MEAA, Showcast, Casting Networks, IMDb, APRA/AMCOS Actor, Voice, Musician, Writer, Composer, Teacher

Jessica received a full scholarship into the Victorian College of the Arts Secondary School (VCASS) for prodigious children at age 11. Training included music, acting and theatre. Jessica has an extensive history in creative performance, and a diverse range of abilities.

"STAG (sic) presents two plays from the Jack Manning Trilogy,
... Special mention must be made of the outstanding performances by ...

Jessica Hieser for her calm, intelligent portrayal of Manning in both performances."

Review by Cheryl Threadgold, Melbourne Observer, Nov 11, 2017

#### Education

- 2019 Howard Fine studios, Masterclass participant, 4 day Intensive
- 2019 TAFTA studios, Casting workshop, David Newman McSweeney casting
- 2019 BRAVE studios, Advanced US accent, 6 week course
- 2019 TAFTA, Carmen Duncan US Scholarship workshop seminar
- 2019 Screen Actors Australia, Casting workshop w/ Jane Norris
- 2019 Film & TV International, 8 week course w/ Kate Atkinson, David Cameron
- 2019 Private US accent training w/ Matt Furlani
- 2018 BRAVE studios, Casting workshop w/ Thea McLeod casting
- 2018 TAFTA, US accent w/ Matt Furlani
- 2018 Equity foundation, Conversation w/ Joshua Bitton US Actor/Teacher
- 2018 MEAA, Equity Self-Test project US accent
- 2018 Equity foundation, Interactive Audition Seminar w/ Les Chantery
- 2017 TAFTA, Casting workshop w/ Thea McLeod, McLeod casting
- 2017 TAFTA, Casting workshop w/ Stevie Ray, McGregor casting
- 2017 Film & TV International, Casting for screen w/ Damian Walsh-Howling, Craig McMahon
- 2016 Screen Actors Studio, Casting workshop w/ Rosie Traynor
- 2016 Howard Fine Studios, Casting workshop w/ Alison Telford
- 2016 Film & TV International, Casting for screen w/ Richard Cawthorne, 8 week course
- 2016 Film & TV International, Casting for screen w/ Damien Bodie, 8 week course
- 2015-2016 Film and TV International, full time course
- 2015 NIDA, Actors Studio Melbourne, 1 year course
- 2015 NIDA, Screen Acting techniques, 5 day intensive
- 2014 NIDA, Acting techniques II, 8 week course
- 2014 VCA, Acting to Camera 3, 8 week course
- 2013 VCA, Acting to Camera, 8 week course
- 2000-2005 University of Melbourne, Double Bachelor of Music and Teaching
- VCE Year 10-12 VCASS Drama, Theatre Studies, 3 professional theatre productions

**Acting Roles: Theatre** 

### 2020

Resolve (Jessica Hieser)

Role: June, support; writer; producer; director

**Cracked Actors Theatre** 

## 2019

The Shutdown (Shane Neville Fox)

Role: Inspector Hammersmith, support; editor; co-director; co-writer

Library at the Dock

## 2017

Face to Face and Charitable Intent (David Williamson; 2 plays from the Jack Manning trilogy)

Role: Jack Manning, lead

STAG theatre

#### Year 12

Blood Wedding (Frederico Lorca)

Role: Stepmother

VCASS production; Malthouse theatre

## Year 11

A Midsummer Night's Dream (Shakespeare)

Role: Main Fairy

VCASS production; Holy Trinity Anglican Church

Acting roles: Film & TV

## 2019

Ronnie's new home – Unscene film competition (grand finalist)

Role: Mother, lead

Infinite Vision videography

Find me a Dream home – 9Life TV episode

Role: Home buyer, lead iCandy productions

Santa school – grad short film Role: Headmistress, lead RMIT grad production

Love, from Joey – short film Role: Miss Jenny, support

SAE production

## 2018

Sunny Boys – grad short film

Role: Paulie

VCA FTV production

*12 Tearful women* – short film

Role: Pamela, lead VCE media production

Funny Girl – short film Role: Elizabeth, support La Trobe Film TV

## 2017

The eternal darkness manifest – grad short film

Role: Judy, support VCA FTV production

Where the heart is – grad short film

Role: Mother

VCA FTV production

Looking for Space – hons. grad short film

Role: Janus, lead; The Voice, V/O; Music arranger/performer (classical excerpts)

Deakin University production

The final string – short film

Role: Sally, lead

**Deakin University production** 

The Missing Link – short film Role: Busker (sax + juggling) W.D Steven productions

Home – short film Role: Julia, lead

**Deakin University production** 

Medibank Private - in-house VR campaign

Role: Doctor Medibank Private

Science Fiction (The Belligerents) – Music Video

Role: Travel agent

Steve Jablonski; Yolantha Morrigan

Film 102 – web series Reprising the support role of 'Sandra' Adult Supervision productions

### 2016

Bogan Bachelor – Channel 31 Role: Shazza, lead; 2 episodes ASJ publishing

#### 2015

Into the Night – short film

Role: High Mage, key role

**RMIT** production

Film 101 – Web Series

Role: Sandra, recurring role, 3 episodes

Positive Dynamite productions

## 2014

Friendship Zone - short film

Role: Mrs Harraway, support to lead

FCF films

Take a Seat – community TVC

Role: Interpreter for hearing impaired, co-lead

SAE production

## Cameo screen experience

2013: Video testimonial for Acupuncture practitioner

2009: 1700, Music performance and interview, Channel 31

2004: Deal or No Deal, Channel 7

2000: Noise TV, Sax performance, Channel 31

1998: Wheel of Fortune, Carry over champion, Channel 7

## Modelling

25+ years of publicity as a professional musician, and as a professional actor.

# **Employment**

2014-current: Actor, writer

2016-current: Acting coach, director

1998-current: Music Performer, Singer Songwriter, Musician, Arranger, Composer, Music Events

organiser, Music teacher, Performance coaching 1994-current: Qualified tutor, most subjects

1996-2007: Casual work as a Disability Support worker/Integration Aide

Attributes Authentic, dedicated, flexible, easy to work with, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, creative, expert at improv, adaptive, strong leadership and organisational skills; skills; engaged on screen and stage presence; fit and healthy; energetic; practical nature; encouraging and positive attitude. Skills Multi-instrumentalist (most instruments), all styles; Music arranger/composer; strong vocalist (3+ octaves); writer (screenplays/books/theatre); excellent sports skills (cricket/football); excellent pool and billiards player; basic combat and firearms skills; Juggler (combined juggling, juggling whilst playing saxophone); excellent driver; magic performance skills.