

Acting for Stage & Screen – Meet your Teachers

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Matthew French (Film Acting)

You may have caught Matthew in several commercials airing around Australia, as well in feature films including 'Elvis', 'The Portable Door', and recently on the series, 'Young Rock', based on the life of Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson.

Matthew writes, produces and performs his own original theatre works, including his one-man plays, 'Grigori the Helper', STARK', and 'Removable Objects: A Series of Vignettes'. Matthew has a Bachelor of Acting and Performance and extensive additional training and industry experience in both stage and screen acting.



Conor Ensor (Stage Acting)

Conor's performing career has taken him to screens and stages across Australia, the UK and further internationally. Conor's theatre credits include Cinderella's Prince in Into the Wood, Tybalt in Romeo and Juliet and Tick in Priscilla Queen of The Desert. His talents also reach into the realms of juggling, calisthenics and scuba diving!

Conor holds a Masters of Musical Theatre from the Royal Central School of Speech and Drama in London, along with a Bachelor of Education/Bachelor of Arts from the University of Queensland.



Kat Coomber (Assistant Teacher)

Kat is currently studying a Bachelor of Arts (Drama)/Bachelor of Education. Kat has 8 years of singing and acting training and her theatre credits include Mrs Bucket in "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" and Minna in "The Thirteenth Thief". Kat recently worked as the script supervisor on the short film 'All of us at River's End' that has been nominated for Best Australian Short 2025 at Flickerfest, Australia's leading competitive International Short Film Festival.

Kat has experience behind the camera as Producer, Assistant Producer, Assistant Director, Script Supervisor and in front of the Camera acting in multiple other short films.



Niamh Smith (Assistant Teacher)

Niamh has a Certificate III in Education Support, with previous experience working as a teacher aide. Niamh started training in musical theatre, singing and acting, and performing in community theatre, in 2020. Niamh's lead credits include Trina in 'Falsettos' and Puss in Boots in 'What's New Pussycat?' as well as performing in the ensembles of 'The Wizard of Oz!', 'Cats', 'The Boy from Oz', 'Rock of Ages' and 'Our House'.

Niamh Smith is also an environment enthusiast and aspiring Biologist who is currently a full-time student studying a Bachelor of Science majoring in Wildlife and Marine Biology at Griffith University.

