



Actor Biography

Johnson&Laird

Michael Whalley

Height 178 cm

Awards.

2018 Best Male Actor In A Supporting Role In A Mainstage Production - HIR - Sydney Theatre Company

2013 Gluggs Award for Best New Talent for performance in "Tarantula"

2008 Most Original Production - Chapman Tripp Theatre Awards Winner - Apollo 13: Mission Control

2007 Most Promising Male Newcomer - Chapman Tripp Theatre Awards -

Feature Film.

2017	The Pretend One	Hugo	
2014	Unbroken	Stanley Pillsbury	Dir. Angelina Jolie Prd. Universal Pictures
2014	Backtrack	Constable Samuels	Backtrack Productions Dir. Michael Petroni
2013	Psychoanalysis	Ryan	Dir. James Raue
2013	Slow West	The Kid (Support)	See Saw Films Dir. John Maclean Prd. Rachel Gardner
2009	Matariki	Jermaine (Lead)	Filmworks Ltd Dir. Michael Bennet Prd. Fiona Copland
2006	Out of the Blue	Darren Gibbs	Dir. Robert Sarkies Prd. Steven O'Meagher
2006	Out of the Blue	Darren Gibbs (Lead)	Southern Light Films Dir. Robert Sarkies Prd. Tim White&Steven O'Meagher

Feature continued...

2005	Eagle vs Shark	Hoon (Supporting Role)	Whenua Films Dir. Taika Waititi Prd. Ainsley Gardner
2005	Lord of the Rings	ORC	Dir. Dir: Peter Jackson
2001	Lord of the Rings	Orc	Newline Cinema &Wingnut Films Dir. Peter Jackson

Short Film.

2016	Jump	Jogger	Dir. Ryan O'kane
2016	Second best	Kev	Dir. Alyssa McClelland
2016	Grave Attempt	Brian	Dir. Ryan O'Kane Prd. Ryan O'Kane
2014	Crumble	Fraser	Goldhawk Productions Dir. Georgiana Taylor
2008	Birdwatcher	Matt (Lead)	Rubber Monkey Dir. Nathan Meister
2005	Bad Dates	Todd Burkleigh	Granite Films Dir. Grant La Hood
2002	The other side of the Moon	Ants	Dir. Andrea Bosshard

Television.

2026	Happiness 2	Jonathan Best (Supporting)	Greenstone TV Dir. Robyn Grace
2021	Real Life Fights	Liam	Dir. Jessica Grace Smith Prd. Jessica Grace Smith
2019	Halifax: Retribution	Mitch Marcovic	Dir. Mark Joffe Prd. Beyond Lonehand
2018	Wanted - Season 3	Lance Greiner	Matchbox Pictures/Netflix Dir. Various

Television continued...

2016	Jean - Tele Feature	Beverley (Major Support)	Lippy Pictures Dir. Robert Sarkies Prd. Paula Boock
2014	Love Child - Season 2	Arthur	Playmaker Media (AU)
2014	The Principal	Dave	Essential Media & Entertainment
2013	Wonderland	Homeless Tony	Freemantle Media
2013	Field Punishment No.1 (Tele Feature)	William Little (Major Support)	Lippy Productions Limited Dir. Peter Burger Prd. Donna Malane&Paula Boock
2012	Pirates of the Airwaves (Documentary Drama Film)	Doc O'Callahan (Lead)	Lippy Productions Dir. Charlie Haskell Prd. Donna Malane&Paula Boock
2010	Paradise Cafe - Season 2	Max - The Surfer (Support)	The Gibson Group
2009	Legend of the Seeker	Flynn (Reaccuring Guest)	Walt Disney Company
2008	NZTA Four Mates Campaign	Jason	Dir. Peter Burger
2007	Facelift	Police Recruit - Anti Smacking Squad Leader	Gibson Group
2007	Killian's Curse	Stan	TVNZ Dir. Thomas Robins
2007	Time Hackers	Mutthead	Gibson Group Dir. Thomas Robins
2006	Karaoke High	Tom Winston (Core Cast)	TVNZ
2003	The Tribe	Techno Commander	Cloud 9

Theatre.

Theatre continued...

2026	Savior	Joe (Lead)	Griffin Theatre Dir. Kenneth Moraleda
2025	The Removalists	Kenny	Melbourne Theatre Company Dir. Anne-Louise Sarks Prd. Melbourne Theatre Company
2025	1984	Winston	Dir. Michael Fitcher Prd. Shake and Stir Theatre Company
2023	A Very Jewish Christmas Carol	Ben (Lead)	Melbourne Theatre Company Dir. Sarah Giles
2020	Harry Potter & the Cursed Child	Ron Weasley (Lead)	Dir. John Tiffany Prd. Michael Cassel Group
2019	Astral Plane	Sam	Dir. Charlie Garber Prd. 25A/Belvoir Downstairs
2017	HIR	Isaac Connor	Belvoir St Theatre Dir. Anthea Williams
2017	Muriel's Wedding	Perry Heslop	Dir. Simon Phillips
2016	You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown	Charlie	Hayes Theatre Dir. Shaun Rennie
2016	Tiny Remarkable Bramble	Doug	King's Cross Theatre Dir. Cathy Hunt
2016	There will be a Climax		Nida Dir. Alex Berlage
2015	Cock	John	Red Line Productions / Mardi Gras Festival
2015	The Front	Keith	Adelaide Cabaret Festival Dir. Andy Packer
2015	Edward II	Gaveston	Sport for Jove Theatre Dir. Terry Kerabelos
2015	Blue Angel	The Academic / Saxon Seafarer John	Big hART Dir. Scott Rankin

Theatre continued...

2014	Hipbone Sticking Out	Performer	Dir. Big hART/Yala Project Prd. Scott Rankin
2013	Songs of the Fallen	Performer	Critical Stages Dir. Michael Seiders Presents
2013	The Importance of Being Earnest	John Worthing	Burley Theatre
2012	An Officer and a Gentleman	Craig/ Sid Worley Cover (Lead)	GFO Australia Dir. Simon Phillips
2012	Tarantula	Terry	Tredwood Productions Dir. Nasstasja Djalog
2011	The Threepenny Opera	Ensemble	A Malthouse Theatre & Victorian Opera Co-Production-Presented by Sydney Theatre Company Dir. Michael Kantor
2011	Skin Tight	Tom	45 Downstairs Theatre & presented by SAYSIX Theatre and The Groundswell Division Dir. Justin Martin
2010	Romeo & Juliet	Romeo (Lead)	Auckland Theatre Company Limited Dir. Willem Wassenaar Prd. Colin McColl
2009	She Stoops to Conquer	Tony Lumpkin (Lead)	Auckland Theatre Company Dir. Michael Hurst
2009	Te Karakia	Matt (Lead)	Taki Rua Theatre Company Dir. David O'Donnel
2008	The Man that Lovelock Couldn't Beat	Jack Lovelock (Lead)	Circa Theatre Dir. Conrad Newport
2008	Apollo 13 : Mission Control	Michael Whallen (Lead)	Hackman Dir. Kip Chapman
2007	The Cape	Mo (Lead)	Circa Theatre Dir. Conrad Newport

Theatre continued...

2007	I'm Not Rappaport	Gilley	Downstage Theatre Dir. Steven Ray
2007	Jack & the Beanstalk	Jack (Lead)	Circa Theatre Dir. Susan Wilson
2007	High School Musical	Troy Bolton (Lead)	Wellington Musical Theatre
2006	The Glass Menagerie	Tom Wingfield (Lead)	Circa Theatre Dir. Willem Wassennar
2006	The Goat or Who is Sylvia	Billy	Downstage Theatre Dir. Catherine Downes
2005	Wednesday to Come	Cliff	Downstage Theatre Dir. Geraldine Brophy
2005	Jack Manning - Face to Face	Luka (Lead)	New Zealand Drama School Productions Dir. KC Kelly
2004	Great Expectations	Herbert Pocket	New Zealand Drama School Productions Dir. Miranda Harcourt&Tom McCrory
2004	Pericles	Pander/Pirate	New Zealand Drama School Productions Dir. Peter Hambleton
2004	Westside Story	Riff	Dir. Alan Marsden
2003	Midsummer Nights Dream	Lysander	Dir. Carmel McGlone

Voice.

2007	Chute Thru	Narrator	Childrens Novel Prd. Radio New Zealand
2006	Terror at Tinakori Road	Billy	Prd. Radio New Zealand
2006	Conflict of Interest	Various	Dir. Hone Kouka Prd. Radio New Zealand

Voice continued...

2006	Children's Stories	Narrator	Prd. Radio New Zealand
2005	Various Children 's Stories for CD ROM	Narrator	Learnig Media Ltd

Training.

Bachelor of Performing Arts, NZ: 2003 - 2005, Toi Whakaari: New Zealand Drama School
Diploma in Acting for Theatre, Film&Television: 2001 - 2002, Wellington Performing Arts Centre

Skills.

Accents - Australian, New Zealand, British, American Languages - Te Reo

Visual/Voice Commercial Credits.

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