



CHRISTOPHER STRATTON

Film and Television Multi Talent

OKAY SO WHO IS HE?

After a successful and varied career in New Zealand across television, film and theatre, I am excited to have returned from a 'mature gap year' in London and seeking opportunities that combine a varied skill base with a passion for history and storytelling.

With wide ranging experience across several departments, from production running, assisting and co-ordinating, contestant research, post production co-ordinating, broadcast promo delivery, costume work, production designing, art department and directing, I really have done it all - including losing Best Comedy at the 2020 New Zealand Television Awards.

The experience gained across these roles gives me a deep and thorough understanding of the logistics and admin of screen, theatre and events, as well as the creative processes necessary to make unique and engaging work.

AND WHAT HAS HE DONE?

A few recent highlights, followed by pages of 'the rest' for those interested in long form reads

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EXPERTISE

- Directing
- Production Admin
- Production Design
- Wardrobe Styling
- Editing
(Avid, Premiere Pro)
- IBMS Scheduling

June 2025
-Current

Freelance Screen Design

Since my return to NZ mid 2025, I have worked across advertising, screen and events. Quick highlights include ads for Rockgas (Spoon Studios), Stills campaigns for BNZ and SPARK (Colenso), The Princess Chelsea Midwinter Ball, Costume work for Taskmaster, An Australian sketch show (NDA), D.R.A.G (Silo Theatre), Stalked (Doco for Neon, Workparty).

I am currently designing a podcast studio for a major bank, and set designing for a documentary series for Ruckus.

Production Secretary

"Killers Caught on Camera", "Murder in Mind"
back2back productions ltd

I was the production secretary on these two true crime docuseries, focussing on the solving of violent crimes using digital forensics, and the psychology of people who kill. I was across shoot logistics in both the UK and USA, as well as research duties.

Production Designer and Wardrobe Stylist

"2 Cents 2 Much", Hexwork Productions

This online series for news and entertainment platform The Spinoff, gave me a chance to flex my design muscles with dual roles of set and wardrobe. I have included it here as it showcases my sensibility in terms of tv should be FUN to watch and to look at.

Director

"Life is Easy" TVNZ on demand.
I was one of two directors for this eight episode series centering around a body swap. Fully funded but on a very tight budget, we were also picked up by international streaming LGBTQ+ platform Revry.

Freelance Production Assistant Various

I worked as a freelance production assistant from 2013-2015 in varying media - Including factual content like the Smokefree Rockquest tv series and advertising with Commotion, Entertainment Television, Television promos with Mediaworks (The Bachelor, X Factor), The New Zealand Music Awards broadcast

EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Performing and Screen Arts** **2023**
Directing and Writing for Screen and Theatre
- Unitec New Zealand**
2008-2010

2019

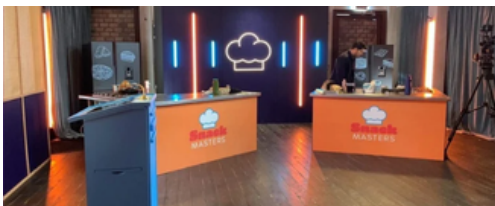
REFERENCES

- Available on request from
Nz Television and Film
Producers **2013**
-2015

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RECENT WORK HISTORY

I also have directing, costume design and art directing credits across several theatre pieces and music videos. The full long list of my career is detailed in further attached pages after these recent highlights.



2023 ○ Production Designer and Stylist

2 Cents 2 Much, Online Series, Hexwork Productions
Snackmasters S2, Reality Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures

Art Department

The Traitors, Reality Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures

Props and Styling

Cubicle Confessions, Online Series, TVNZ
The TRA Branding, Brand Collateral, Seachange Studio
Spark, "Hello Tomorrow" Stills Campaign, Loupe Agency
ODD Company, Stills and Social Campaign, Loupe Agency
Two Hearts x Yeastie Boys, "EuroVusion", Music Video/Advert

2022 ○ Production Designer

Pedigree Essential Support Dogs, TVC, FINCH
Educators S3, Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures
The Love Hour, Tv series pilot, South Pacific Pictures
National Treasures S2, TV Docuseries, PANGO
ASB Tennis Classic, TVC, FINCH
BNZ, Growing Family, TVC, FINCH
7 Days, Comedy Panel Show, TVC, Three

Props and Styling

Cherry on Top, Puzzle, Ensemble Magazine
Xero Accounting, Online Adverts, Xero
Two Hearts, Uk Tour, Live Musical Comedy Act
The Citizens Handbook S2, Online Series, Kevin & Co

2021 ○ Production Designer

Mean Mums S3, Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures
Break Bread, Filmic adaptation of Theatre Work, Silo Theatre
The Pact, Tv Series, Koha Productions

2020 ○ Set Decorator

The Panthers Tv Series, Tavake Limited + TVNZ

Production Designer

Mean Mums S2, Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures
Educators S2, Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures

2019 ○ Director

Life is Easy, Online Tv Series, Us People Productions x TVNZ

Set Decorator

Head High S1, Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures

2018 ○ Costume Design and Styling

The Wolves, Theatre Work, Silo Theatre
Two Hearts, UK Tour, Live Musical Comedy,

○ **Studio Co-Ordinator & Contestant Researcher**
Family Feud, Tv Series, Mediaworks

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FULL WORK HISTORY

The long list, for the full scope and context of a varied career. Some people think a cv should be two pages or less - but think of the font size to fit this all in!

2023

Production Designer, Snack Masters Season 2
Reality TV Series, South Pacific Pictures

Art Director, Spark "Hello Tomorrow"
Stills campaign, Loupe Agency X Frances Carter, Colenso

Art Director, Signature Homes 40th birthday
TVC, Spoon Studios

Production Designer, Fifa Women's World Cup, TAB coverage,
Set redesign, TAB

Props and Styling, The Research Agency
Online Campaign Images, Seachange,

Art Director, ODD Company (Flavoured Vodka)
Social Campaign, Loupe Agency X Lula Cucchiara

Set Styling and Props, Cubicle Confessions
Online Talk Show, TVNZ

Props and Styling, Two Hearts "Eurovision"
Advertisement, Two Hearts x Yeastie Boys

Production Designer, Janaye Henry Chat Show
Online Talk Show, Hexwork Pictures/The Spinoff

Styling, Two Hearts Publicity Shoot
Publicity Images, Two Hearts Productions

Art Department, The Traitors Nz
Reality TV Series, South Pacific Pictures for THREE

2022

Production Designer, ASB Summer Classic Returns
TVC, The Finch Company

Art Director, Xero Summer Online Adverts
Xero, Lauren Billingham

Finale Episode Event Designer, Chris and Eli's Porn Revolution
Online Series, Hexwork Pictures/The Spinoff

Production Designer, National Treasures (2)
Pango Productions

Costume Design, Two Hearts Uk Tour
Live Comedy/Music Show, Uk Tour incl. Edinburgh Fringe

Production Designer, The Love Hour (Pilot Episodes)
Talkshow Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures + Discovery

Production Designer, Educators (3)
Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures + TVNZ

Styling, "Cherry on Top"
Puzzle and Editorial, Ensemble Magazine

Production Designer, Pedigree Essential Support Dogs
TVC, The Finch Company

Production Designer, The Citizens' Handbook 2 (sketches)
Web series, Kevin and Co + RNZ

Production Designer, BNZ Business TVC
TVC, The Finch Company

Production Designer, 7 Days Promo
TVC, THREE + Discovery

2021

Production Designer, Break Bread
Film, Silo Theatre

Production Designer, Mean Mums (3)
Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures + THREE

Art Director, 26:29
Tv Episode, Tusitala Media + TVNZ

Costume Design, Two Hearts "We're Pregnant..."
Live Comedy/Music Show, NZ Comedy Festival

Set Decorator Buyer, One of Us Is Lying
Tv Series, NBC + One Nz Tv Ltd

Art Department, Xero Accounting Content
Online Advertising, Xero + Work Party

Production Designer, The Pact
Tv Series, Koha Productions + TVNZ

2020

Set Decorator, The Panthers
Tv Series, Tavake Limited + TVNZ

Costume Design, Two Hearts Tour
Live Comedy/Music Show, Taranaki Arts Festival

Costume Designer, Randa "Toughen Up"
Music Video, Samantha Dutton

Production Designer, Last At Eleven
TVNZ On Demand Series, South Pacific Pictures

Event Designer, Baby Done Film Premiere
Piki Films

Mentor Support, Wardrobe, Inked
Webseries, Inked Pictures

Costume Designer, Every Brilliant Thing
Theatre Work, Silo Theatre

Admin Support, Wardrobe/Make-Up, Creamerie
Tv Series, Kevin and Co + TVNZ

Production Designer, Mean Mums (2)
Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures + THREE

Set Decorator, Mothers of the Revolution
Documentary (dramatic recreations), GFC Films

Art Director, Educators (2)
Tv Series, South Pacific Pictures + TVNZ

2019

Director, Life is Easy
Online Series, Us People Prod + TVNZ, Internationally + Revry

Set Decorator, Head High
TV Series, South Pacific Pictures + THREE

Stylist, My Heart Goes Thadak Thadak
Theatre Publicity Campaign, Silo Theatre

Costume and Stage Design, Two Hearts - The Comeback Tour
Live Comedy/Music Show, Edinburgh Fringe Festival

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2019 cont.

Costume Designer, The Wolves
Theatre Work, Silo Theatre

Props Master, Here and Now Festival
Theatre Work, Auckland Theatre Company

Costume and Stage Design, Two Hearts - The Winery Tour
Live Comedy/Music Show, The NZ International Comedy Festival

Casual Stylist Assist, Baby Done
Feature Film, Baby Piki/Piki Films.

Costume Designer, Actressexual
Theatre Work, Sam Brooks.

Props work, THREE Brand Promo
Mediaworks Creative Dept.

2018

Stylist, Hans Pucket, "Comfort"
Music Video, Callum Devlin & The Bub Club

Editor, The Beths, "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas"
Music Video, Carpark Records + The Bub Club

Co-Director, The Beths, "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas"
Music Video, Carpark Records + The Bub Club

Costume Designer, Jacinda
Theatre work, The Actors Program, Auckland.

Casual Locations Assist, Power Rangers
Power Rangers Productions Ltd, Auckland.

Production Co-Ordinator, Funny Girls Special
Tv Series, Local Production, Mediaworks

Stylist Assist, Toyota Corolla "Timeless",
TVC, GoodOil

Stylist Assist, Golden Boy
Tv Pilot, Local Production, Mediaworks

Stage Manager/First A.D, Class Act
Tv Series, Pango Productions +TVNZ

Performer, ASB Own That Home Campaign
TVC, Rabbit Content

Costume and Stage Design, Two Hearts: Restart The Hearts
Live Comedy Music Show, Q Theatre, Nz Intl. Comedy Festival

Director, The Beths, "Future Me Hates Me"
Music Video, Carpark Records + Monster Valley

Event Design, The Breaker Upperers Nz Premiere
Film Premiere, 818 PR

Performer, Go Healthy
TVC, Y&R

Costume and Props Design, Two Hearts Melbourne World Tour
Live Comedy Music Show, Melbourne Comedy Festival

2017

Design and Installations, Silo 2018 Season Launch
PR Packs and Theatre Installations, Silo Theatre.

Costume and Stage Design, Two Hearts Auckland World Tour
Reworked Season, Live Comedy Music Show, Q Theatre

Art Director and Stylist, Hivemind
Tv Pilot, Local Production, Mediaworks

Director, Orcon Mobile & Slingshot Mobile Sim Card Tutorials
Internet Advert, Monster Valley

Content Assistant, Monster Valley
Digital Creative Agency, work incl. Fonterra, Stylefit,
Countdown Supermarkets internal comms content.

Costume and Stage Design, Two Hearts Auckland World Tour
Live Comedy Music Show, Q Theatre, Nz Comedy Festival

Casual Production Assistant, Various Projects
Tv Series, Ruckus Media

Wardrobe Assistant, The Breaker Upperers
Feature Film, Piki Films, Designer, Jane Bucknell

Stylist Assist, Quaker Chewy
TVC, Curious Films

Studio Co-Ordinator & Contestant Researcher, Family Feud
Tv Series, Local Production, Mediaworks

Art Director, The Bachelor Season 3 Promo
TVC, Mediaworks Creative Dept.

Production Assistant, The Project Launch Promo
TVC, Mediaworks Creative Dept.

Stylist Assist, Optum
TVC, GoodOil

2016

Set Design, Silent Night, Yvette Parsons
Theatre Work, Q Theatre

Stylist Assist, Lyrica
TVC, Cowley Films

Freelance On Air Promotions Co-Ordinator
Three, Three Life & Bravo, Mediaworks

Event Design, Budweiser x Monster Valley Halloween Party
Event, Monster Valley

Props and Costume Styling, New Zealand Music Awards Ad
TVC, Mediaworks Creative Dept.

Costume Designer, Oreste
Semi Staged Opera, Auckland Opera Studio, Mercury Theatre

Freelance Production Assistant, Jono and Ben
Tv Series, Local Production, Mediaworks

Costume Designer, Shoulda, Woulda, Coulda
Theatre Work, Auckland Theatre Company's 'Next Big Thing',
Basement Theatre.

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2016 cont.

Set and Costume Design, Everything Anyone Ever Wanted Contemporary Dance, Q Theatre, Black Sheep Productions

Continuity/Directors Assist, Funny Girls, Season Two Tv Series, Local Production, Mediaworks

Writer/Performer/Designer, Little Child of Miracle Theatre Work, Basement Theatre

Costume Designer, The Tempest Theatre Work, Auckland University Summer Shakespeare

On Air Promotions Co-Ordinator, Mediaworks Promos Department

2015

On Air Promotions Co-Ordinator, Mediaworks Creative Dept

Production Assistant, Best Bits Pilot Tv Pilot, The Downlow Concept

Production Assistant, Bachelor Season 1 Launch TVC, Mediaworks Creative Dept.

2014

Production Assistant, Paul Henry Show Launch TVC, Mediaworks Creative Dept.

Art Director, BigPipe Internet Adverts, Specpro Media

Production Assistant, The Vodafone Nz Music Awards Live Broadcast, Local Production, Mediaworks

Production Assistant, The X-Factor Season 2 Promo TVC, Mediaworks Creative Dept.

Production Assistant, Various Projects TV series, Music Videos, TVC, Commotion Ltd

Director, Wet Wings "Your Hands" Music Video, Lil Chief Records

Performer, New World "Little Shop" TVC, Assembly Ltd.

Art Director, Common Ground Web Series, Curative

Art Director, Edge Tv Idents TVC, Mediaworks Creative Dept.

Art Director, The Sami Sisters "Jumpstart" Music Video, The Sami Sisters

Retail Assistant, Dvd Department, JB Hi Fi Hi Fi and Entertainment Store

2013

Performer, Burger King 'In My Day' TVC, Flying Fish

Art Director, Anna Coddington "Make You Mine" Music Video, Filth Collective

2013 cont.

Art Director, Cure Kids Red Nose Day, All Blacks Pranks Tv Special, Musket Media

Production Assistant, Jono and Ben TV Series, Local Production, Mediaworks

Director & Writer, "Talk, A Portmanteau" Independent Feature Film with Wallace Arts Trust

2012

Art Assist, Supercity (2) Tv Series, Super Fumes Tv Ltd.

Art Director, Amity Affliction "Chasing Ghosts" Music Video, Fish 'n Clips

Retail Assistant, Dvd Department, JB Hi Fi Hi Fi and Entertainment Store

2011

Art Director, Victoria Girling-Butcher "The Taxidermist" Music Video, Fish 'n Clips

Retail Assistant, Dvd Department, JB Hi Fi Hi Fi and Entertainment Store

Retail Assistant, Video Ezy Movie Rental Store

2010

Art Assist, Supercity (1) Tv Series, Super Fumes Tv Ltd.

Events Assistant, Sky City Conventions Hospitality

2008 - 2009

Sales Assistant, Kmart St Lukes Superstore Retail

2004 -2007

Librarian, Mosgiel Public Library Library

Whew, we made it. Thanks for reading all of that, and I look forward to hearing from you soon. If you have any questions about the specifics of this work history, or want to know about a particular job in more detail, please do reach out - it's almost as overwhelming to read as a list as it has been to live it! Let's chat!

