



Michael Downey

Actor/Director/Playwright/Text Coach

Founding Co-Artistic Director, Speech of Fire*

Former Stage Director, Seoul Shakespeare Company* (SSC) (2015-2019)

Location: Seoul, South Korea

Nationality: New Zealand

DIGITAL PERFORMANCE (ACTING)

Julius Caesar

1st Plebeian / Titinius

The Show Must Go Online (TSMGO)

THEATRE (ACTING)

The Orderly

Peter

Seoul Shakespeare Company & Speech of Fire

King Lear

King Lear

Seoul Shakespeare Company

Julius Caesar

Octavius

Prague Shakespeare Company, Estates Theatre (dir. Guy Roberts)

Love and Despair

Various

Seoul Shakespeare Company

Titus Andronicus

Titus

Seoul Shakespeare Company

The Soldier's Tale

Narrator

Bucheon Cultural Foundation

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Peter Quince

Seoul Shakespeare Company

Betrayal

Jerry

Probationary Theatre

Richard III

Clarence

National Theatre of Korea

The Tempest

Prospero

Seoul Shakespeare Company

Macbeth

Macbeth

Seoul Shakespeare Company

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Puck

Auckland War Memorial Museum

Daddy's Dollar

Man

Smackbang Theatre

The Bomb

Johnny

The Rebel Alliance

A Night of French Mayhem

La Grange / Peter

The Rebel Alliance

The Orderly

Peter

The Rebel Alliance

URBIS 24 Hour Theatre Project

Cypher

URBIS 24 Hour Theatre

Much Ado About Nothing

Leonato

Auckland Summer Shakespeare

The X Folios

General Cast

Conartists

This Is It!

Core Cast – Chorus

Inside Out Theatre

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Theseus

Theatre Stampede Ltd

Coriolanus

Chorus

Auckland Summer Shakespeare

Oedipus the King

Creon

Free Theatre Inc

Agamemnon

Chorus

UNITEC School of Performing and Screen Arts

DIRECTING

Garage

Seoul Shakespeare Company & Speech of Fire

Trumpus Rex

Seoul Players' 10 Minute Play Festival

The Merchant of Venice

Seoul Shakespeare Company

The Winter's Tale

Seoul Shakespeare Company

Much Ado About Nothing

Seoul Shakespeare Company

FILM & TELEVISION (ACTING)

Power Rangers: Operation Overdrive

Baron Von Gerstein

Ranger Productions Ltd

Shortland Street

Barry Brown

South Pacific Pictures

Interrogation

Athol Nombach

South Pacific Pictures

Street Legal

Gordon Sellars - Guest Role

Screenworks

Xena - Series VI Ep 1, - Heart of Darkness

Young Villager Guy

Renaissance Pictures

EDUCATION/TRAINING

M.A. Drama Studies - University of Auckland, 2005

UNITEC School of Performing and Screen Arts, 1996

B.A. English Literature - University of Canterbury, 1995

Prague Shakespeare Company Summer Shakespeare Intensive 2018 (Voice: Jim Johnson, Carolyn Johnson, Linda Gates; Original Pronunciation /

Ensemble Work: Ben Crystal; Audition / Acting Shakespeare: Guy Roberts; First Folio: Laura Cole; Original Practices / Rhetoric: Sarah Enloe;

Character Development: Suzanne Dean; Clown: Rupesh Tillu; Actors and Scholars lecture: Eric Rasmussen; et al.)

PLAYWRIGHTING CREDITS:

The Orderly, (The Rebel Alliance); *Aroha*, (Smackbang Theatre); *Flower Day*, (Urban Vineyard); *Trumpus Rex* (Seoul Players)

RADIO WRITING CREDITS: *The Orderly* (Radio New Zealand)

OTHER SKILLS: Imitations, Clowning, Comedy, Mime, Stage Fighting, Stand Up Comedian, Theatre Sports

ACCENTS: New Zealand, British, Australian

TEACHING AND COACHING

"Rehearsing Monologues and Scenes," Speech of Fire & SSC 2019

"Acting Shakespeare's Text," SSC 2018, Speech of Fire & SSC 2019

"Preparing to Perform: Strategies for Approaching Shakespeare's Text" SSC 2016

"Shakesperiments" workshops, SSC 2014-2018

Text Coach: *King Lear* (SSC 2019), *The Merchant of Venice* (SSC 2018), *The Winter's Tale* (SSC 2017), *Much Ado About Nothing* (SSC 2016)

*STA Member Organization