

## **GEMMA BIRD MATHESON**

From South African and Pacific Islander heritage, Gemma Bird Matheson started her career training at the NIDA Young Actors Studio, Harvest Rain Theatre Company's Artistic Excellence Program and the Lewis Baumander Acting Studio in Canada.

Gemma made her television debut as Cate Young in Winners and Losers for Channel Seven, and then went on to appear as Dr Elizabeth Lowdell in Childhoods End for the SyFy Channel, Carla Watson in Neighbours for Fremantle Media/Channel Eleven and Jane Austen in Bertram Poppingstock for ABC3. Gemma also appeared in Web Series' Double Date Night and The Fall of Eve, as well as feature film The Drownsman. On Stage, Gemma appeared in Zone Four for the VCA in 2016.

In 2017, Gemma appeared as Veronica in Trip for Biscuits for ABCMe, as Mia in Why are you like this? For ABC, Fresh Blood and completed the Summer Intensive Program at Atlantic Theatre Company, while continuing her training at Brave Studios. Gemma was also the winner of The Actor's Process \$5000 scholarship competition; and most recently, was a finalist in the 2018 Australians In Films' Heath Ledger Scholarship.

Gemma was also the co-creator and star of the online comedy series The Housemate, which was commissioned by the ABC and Screen Australia and is currently screening on ABC Iview.

Gemma can be seen in ABC's AACTA Nominated comedy TV-Series, Content; and Dark Film's webseries, Deadhouse Dark.