Best known for her role as Carol O'Driscoll from TV3s WESTSIDE, for which she was nominated for Best Supporting Actress at the NZTV Awards 2022. Sophie Hambleton has appeared on NZ's stages and screens since graduating from Toi Whakaari: NZ Drama School in 2007. Most recently she played NZ Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern in Transmission and Transmission Beta for which she received a nomination at the Wellington Theatre Awards 2024 for Outstanding Performance. She received the Chapman Tripp Award for Best Actress in 2010 for her role in KATYDID. She has toured the country as Janet Frame in Gifted and is one of only three actresses to have performed the solo show Fleabag by Pheobe Waller-Bridge. She also received critical acclaim as Nora in the A Dolls House adaptation by Emily Perkins and for her role in Burn Her by Sam Brooks. Sophie's screen credits include Second Hand Wedding, Consent: The Louise Nichols Story and How to Murder Your Wife, PIKE and two seasons of Good Grief for TVNZ and AMC Netowrk in the US. She is soon to be seen on NZ and UK Screens in Warrens Vortex and the critically acclaimed series After The Party.