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Diversity, Authenticity and Visibility

Biography

Courtney Watts is an internationally recognised expert on Neurodiversity as a published academic on Critical Disability Studies. They won the Lawrie Bartak Prize for best research poster at the 2022 Australasian Society for Autism Researchers (ASfAR) Conference and are currently the only Autistic teacher with the NSW Department of Education to offer Neurodivergence professional development.

They are a fantasy author, with the first two books of The Ventura Series published in 2020/2021. Courtney also designed and wrote a picture book series "The Neurodivergents" under the pseudonym I.M.Orkwerd.

They have been singing since high school, have had the opportunity to be involved with productions such as "Paper Dolls" and "Fall Guy" as an extra, and has a growing presence on the standup comedy scene, having won their regional heat and securing a place in the state finals of Melbourne International Comedy Festival's RAW Comedy Competition in March 2024.

D.O.B: 26/04/1992

Age Range: 22-36

Vocal Range: Alto, Mezzo-Soprano (E2 – E5)

Height: 157cm (5'2")

Hair: Long Grey Straight

Body Type: Average

Ethnicity: Caucasian

Experience

LIVE

2024 "RAW Standup Comedy" Competition, Melbourne International Comedy Festival, Newcastle & Sydney, NSW (Comedian) Dir: Steve Bennett

2023 "Open Mic" Performance, Newcastle Comedy Club, Newcastle, NSW (Standup Comedian) Dir: James Connors

2009 "Presentation Day" Ceremony, Toronto CAPA, Lake Macquarie, NSW (Lead – Vocalist) Dir: Liz Allanson

2008 "Hunter Health Mindplay" Competition, University of Newcastle, Newcastle, NSW (Actor/Dancer/Playwright/Co-director) Dir: Samara Gibson

2007 "Community – 'Idol'" Competition, Lake Macquarie Arts, Lake Macquarie, NSW (Singer) Dir: Robbie Urquart

2004-2006 "Glendale Production" Variety performance, Glendale Technology, Newcastle, NSW (Lead – Vocalist) Dir: Richard Phan

CORPORATE

2023 "NEX Sensory Design" Workshops, Hames Sharley, Melbourne, VIC (Panelist) Dir: Sonja Duric

2023 "NSW ADHD Conference" Presentation, My Spirited Child, Sydney, NSW (Speaker) Dir: Rebecca Challoner

2023 “International Day of Disability” Round Table, NSW Dept of Ed, Newcastle, NSW (Panelist) Dir: D&I Team

2022 “INAS” Neurodiversity Conference, EQ Solutions, New York, NYC (Speaker) Dir: Dawn-Marie Solais

FILM

2024 “Ultraviolence” Horror feature film, Sydney, NSW (Camilla Rhodes) Dir: Mitchell Treharne

2024 “Enter Haze” Short film, Sydney, NSW (Clyde’s Mother) Dir: Luke Harris

2023 “Dopaminizing” Short film, 615 Productions, Sydney, NSW (Brand Ambassador #1) Dir: Jyot Bhalla

2023 “Fall Guy” Action romance comedy feature film, Universal Pictures, Sydney, NSW (Featured role) Dir: David Leitch

2022 “Companion (Saleha)” Romance drama feature film, Picture Works Australia, Parramatta, NSW (Woman in Restaurant) Dir: Raghuvir Joshi

TELEVISION

2023 “Paper Dolls” Musical drama TV series, Helium Pictures, Sydney, NSW (Reformatory Patron) Dir: Ralph Senensky

COMMERCIAL

2023 “NRMA” Commercial, Bear Meets Eagle on Fire, Newcastle, NSW (Featured role) Dir: Steve Rogers

MUSIC

2007 “Life’s Too Long” Song, Gareth Hudson Music, Newcastle, NSW (Lead – Vocalist) Dir: Gareth Hudson

VOICEOVER

2023 “Disability Recognition Month” Podcast, NSW Dept of Ed, Newcastle, NSW (Host) Dir: D&I Team

Education

2024 Television Pilot Story Structure, Studio 32, Anna Marton Henry, Los Angeles, CA

2024 Songwriting Masterclass, St Vincent, Newcastle, NSW

2024 Modelling Basics Masterclass, Naomi Campbell, Newcastle, NSW

2024 Creative Content Writing Masterclass, Issa Rae, Newcastle, NSW

2024 Comedy Improvisation, Newcastle Comedy Club, Liam Callen, Newcastle, NSW

2024 Chubbuck Masterclass, TrueSCREEN Acting Studio, Anthony Brandon Wong, Newcastle, NSW

2024 Comedy Masterclasses, Amy Poehler, Kevin Hart & Steve Martin, Newcastle, NSW

2024 Music for Film Masterclass, Danny Elfman, Newcastle, NSW

2024 Singing & Performance Masterclasses, Christina Aguilera & Usher, Newcastle, NSW

2023 Business Strategy & Leadership Masterclass, Bob Iger, Newcastle, NSW

2023 Directing Masterclasses, Ron Howard, James Cameron, Jodie Foster, Martin Scorsese, Werner Herzog, Ava DuVernay & David Lynch, Newcastle, NSW

2023 Voice Acting Masterclass, Nancy Cartwright, Newcastle, NSW

2023 Acting Masterclasses, Samuel L Jackson, Natalie Portman & Helen Mirren, Newcastle, NSW

2023 Instinctive Actor Training, To Be or Not to Act, Jo Kelly, Los Angeles, CA

2023 Industry Training, Acting & Modelling, NEXT Star Productions, Newcastle, NSW

2016 Graduate Diploma in Education, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, VIC

2014 Diploma of Management, Careers Australia, Lake Macquarie, NSW

2014 Bachelor in Criminology & Forensic Science, Swinburne University of Technology, Melbourne, VIC

2009 HSC Music, Drama & Advanced English (Creative Writing), Toronto High, Lake Macquarie, NSW

2008-present Vocal Training, CAPA Vocal, Liz Allanson & Sam Wong, Lake Macquarie, NSW

Skills

- Languages: English (fluent)
- Accents: Australian, American (Standard, New Jersey, Southern), British (Oxford, English, RP, Geordie), Irish, Scottish, Russian, German
- Film, TV & Theatre: Acting (Chubbuck, method, Meisner), hosting/presenting (public speaking), comedy (improvisation, standup), voiceover (character, impressions/impersonations), modelling, production design, writing, producing, teleprompting
- Vocal Range: Alto, Mezzo-Soprano (E2 – E5)
- Vocal Styles: Rock, pop, country, musical theatre, lounge, alternative, blues, general
- Athletic: Recreational (bowling, jump rope, laser tag, paintball), equestrian (horseback riding), water sports (swimming – freestyle/general, snorkelling, paddleboarding), outdoors (rappelling, rock climbing, wilderness survival, archery, fishing), others (dog training), table sports (pool), gym (aerobics, jogging, Pilates)
- Hobbies: Carpentry
- Jobs: Comedian, Medical, Stenographer
- Licences' Held: Driver's licence, NSW Teaching Accreditation, Working with Children's Check, NDIS Worker Check, NDIS Provider Number, National Police Check