

Re : Hannah Vanderheide/ Actress

From : Colin Budds

Firstly I term Hannah an actress as I find the politically correct generic term, actor, when applied to women gives rise to discussion about branding rather than the profession.

I've been a successful Film & Television Director locally and Internationally for 35 years. In recent times I've mentored and launched the careers of Phoebe Tonkin, Lucy Fry, Georgina Haig, Claire Holt and not so recently cast a 12 year old Asher Keddie in a featured role in mini-series. There have been many more including their male counterparts.

I have auditioned and directed thousands of hopefuls and established actors over the years but it's those with that indefinable quality that demand our attention, stand out in the crowd. That X factor. There's craft, choices, range, look, etc but there's something else, they just pop. They have it.

Hannah has it. I'm not saying it's writ large across her forehead yet but over 8 weeks of advanced workshops I can see it. Her work across all genres demands our attention and involves our senses. Hannah is ready to shine.

Break a leg Hannah

Cheers

Colin Budds

**Mel Mackintosh**

*"I have auditioned Hannah several times where she is always a stand out performer amongst her peers. She is a really natural engaging actor who has an excellent understanding of both dramatic and comedic performance. She's incredibly driven and professional and I would have no hesitation in casting her."*