

## **GRADY SWITHENBANK BIO**

Born and raised in country Western Australia, Grady fell in love with theatre when he was cast in WA Opera's production of *La' Boheme*. With vocal lessons in Musical Theatre throughout highschool, Grady was accepted into WAAPA's 2014 Certificate II program in Musical Theatre. In 2015 Grady was accepted into The Queensland Conservatorium of Music's Musical Theatre program. Grady graduated with a Bachelor in Musical Theatre in 2017.

Some of his credits include *Daddy Brubeck* in *Sweet Charity*, *Fleetwood* in *The Life* and *Tony* in *West Side Story*, working with Australian choreographer Christopher Horsey. Since graduating, Grady spent 2018 touring around the Australian East Coast with *Brainstorm Productions*, which saw him performing plays, raising awareness about Mental Health and Bullying to Primary and High School students.

With a big passion for screen, Grady is always developing his craft working with acting teachers such as Anthony Wong, Les Chanterly, Damian Walshe-Howling, Christopher Sommers and Brad McMurray. In 2019 Grady was cast as the lead in the Independent Feature Film *Punchin' Darts*, which played to a sold out audience at the WA Made Film Festival.

2020 has seen Grady making his Hayes Theatre debut, as the role of *Michael* in *The Bridges of Madison County*.