# **Olivia Mercedes Durst**



Growing up in a bohemian corner of Bondi, Sydney, Olivia was surrounded by creatives from an early age. She immersed herself in community theatre and acting classes in Melbourne and Hobart, before travelling abroad for two years. Recently, she spent time in New York attending private coaching and expanding her knowledge of the theatre. Since beginning her formal training at Federation University in 2017, Olivia has been privileged to perform four powerhouse female roles in Kim Durban's *The Northern Lass*, Kirsten von Bibra's *A Woman of No Importance*, Beng Oh's *Our Country's Good* and Alice Darling's *The Chapel Perilous*. With a Bachelor of Journalism, and a love of dramaturgy, Olivia looks forward to working alongside Australia's increasingly versatile artists.

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**Age range:** 25-32 **Height:** 5"9"'/ 179cm

Hair colour: dark blonde Dress size: 8

**Eye colour:** green **Accents:** standard American, English RP

Complexion: olive Vocal type: alto-mezzo

#### **FORMAL TRAINING**

Bachelor of Arts (Acting) Federation University Arts Academy Graduating class of 2017

Acting Voice Dance

Ross Hall Julianne Eveleigh John Reed

Kim Durban Margaret Mills Teresa Colantuono

### **CREDITS**

#### **THEATRE**

The Northern Lass	Lead	Kim Durban	Federation University	y Arts Academy	2019
A Woman of no Importance	Lead	Kirsten von Bibra	Federation University	/ Arts Academy	2019
Our Country's Good	Lead	Beng Oh	Federation University	y Arts Academy	2018
The Chapel Perilous	Lead	Alison Darling	Federation Universit	y Arts Academy	2018
Jane Eyre	Lead	Ingrid Ganley	Hobart Repertory Th	eatre Society	2015
FILM					
'She Feels Like Home' music film clip	Lead	An Architect Photograp	hed My Undies	2017	
Dunno	Supporting	Taz Slicer		2016	
Paper Planes	Principal	Student Film (NYFA)		2014	
COMMERCIAL					
Speak Up Stay Chatty	Lead	Creative Grit		2016	

# **OTHER TRAINING**

Private vocal coaching	The Voice Academy, Hobart	2016
Private coaching and classes	Lynette Sheldon Actors Studio, New York	2015
Screen Acting Techniques 2	NIDA, Melbourne	2014
Acting Techniques 2	NIDA, Melbourne	2014
Actors' Career Course	Cooper Screen Academy, Hobart	2013
Bachelor of Journalism	Monash University	2012