

Amelia Kelly





# Biography

Amelia Kelly is a Perth, Australia-based actor who made her television debut in the ABC/Matchbox series, **The Heights** playing the series regular role of "Frankie", alongside a stellar cast incl; Roz Hammond, Dan Paris and Saskia Hapele.

Amelia played the role of "Cami" in the award-winning US web series, **What We See** (2020); the lead role, "Katie" in the award winning US web series pilot **Trunk Travelers**; and plays the role of "Hayley" in the Australian short feature **Hitting The Road**.

At the young age of 6, she was cast in her first short film, **Beyond My Imagination**. In **Busting Out The Bells**, she plays opposite James Bingham (Swagger - AppleTV+) as his younger sister, "Kate". Amelia plays the lead, "Alex", in the short film, **Treasure Maps**, and **Tinned Spaghetti**.

Amelia signed with US representation Buchwald Talent Agency at age 9. Since age 4, Amelia has trained weekly at the Ali Roberts Studio both for Screen Acting and Voice & Accent.

Call-backs: **Sulphur Springs, Paper Girls, ITCH** and **H is for Happiness**.

Accents: US Accents including STD US, New York & Southern; Australian and various UK accents

Skills: Singing, violin, piano, drawing, Dancing: ballroom, ballet, contemporary and Latin





# THE HEIGHTS

ABC begins production on new series *The Heights* in Western Australia

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# ABC welcomes you home to Arcadia Heights this February

**'Slice of life' drama series The Heights starts on ABC on 22 February, 830pm AEDT or binge the entire series on ABC iview**

ABC iview

ABC's *The Heights* will transport viewers into the inner-city neighbourhood of Arcadia Heights next month when it launches on ABC on Friday, 22 February at 8.30pm (AEDT). Because just one episode will leave audiences wanting for more, viewers can enjoy double episodes every Friday or binge as many episodes as they like, with all 30 episodes available on ABC iview following the launch broadcast.

From the producers of *The Slap* and *Barracuda*, *The Heights* is a charming and entertaining serial drama exploring the relationships between the residents of the Arcadia social housing tower and the people who live in the rapidly gentrifying community that surrounds it. It's a program that the whole family can enjoy together and one that will make audiences laugh, think and emotionally engage with.



*The Heights* is a series driven by inclusivity both on and off screen and tackles a wide range of social issues faced by everyday Australians of all ages, from all walks of life, reflecting the melting pot of modern urban Australia.

Shot in Western Australia, *The Heights* provided a huge boost to the local television industry, employing nearly 100 local crew and casting 93 speaking and extras roles, including several first-time actors, writers and directors.

*The Heights* is produced by Matchbox Pictures and For Pete's Sake Productions for ABC and developed and produced with the assistance of ABC in association with Screenwest, Lotterywest and NBCUniversal. International sales will be handled by NBCUniversal Distribution.

## FILMINK

### Australian TV Series THE HEIGHTS is back for a second Season!



In great news coming out today the very popular series on ABC *The Heights* has been commissioned for a second series! Filmed locally in Perth, Western Australia it's great to see the series continuing we need more productions filmed here and it also shows the rest of Australia that we have great crews and locations! See the full press release below.

Announced today as a finalist in Drama Series Production of the Year category at the 19th Screen Producers Australia Awards, *The Heights*, season one, was a hit with critics and fans. The Guardian called it "a warm, complex and credible Australian soap opera,[1]" and an engaged and loyal viewer base unashamedly shared their praise on social media at #theheightstv.

Season two will continue to showcase the life-affirming, family-friendly storytelling audiences have come to expect. As the show continues its balance of heart, humour and truth, we'll see favourite characters continue to pull together to triumph over whatever life throws at them.

Sally Riley, Head of Drama, Comedy and Indigenous for the ABC, said: "We're thrilled to be working with Matchbox Pictures and For Pete's Sake Productions to bring a second series to ABC audiences. Season One was warmly embraced by critics and audiences for reflecting real, complex and diverse Australian stories. We look forward to seeing what's in store for the characters during these 30 new episodes."

Cast returning for *The Heights* Season Two include: Shari Sebbens (*The Sapphires*, *Thor: Ragnarok*), Roz Hammond (*Muriel's Wedding*, *The Dish*, *Shaun Micallef's Mad As Hell* and *Thank God You're Here*), Fiona Press (*Home and Away*, *San Andreas*), Dan Paris (*Neighbours*), Calen Tassone (*Red Dog: True Blue*, *Black Comedy*), Saskia Hampele (*Neighbours*, *A Few Less Men*), Phoenix Raei (*Wentworth Prison*, *Romper Stomper*, *Australia Day*), Yazeed Daher (*The Hunting*, *Safe Harbour*, *Anzac Girls*) with newcomers from Season one – Bridie McKim, Mitchell Bourke, Koa Nuen, Cara McCarthy, Briallen Clarke and Carina Hoang, Amelia Kelly and Orlando Borg.



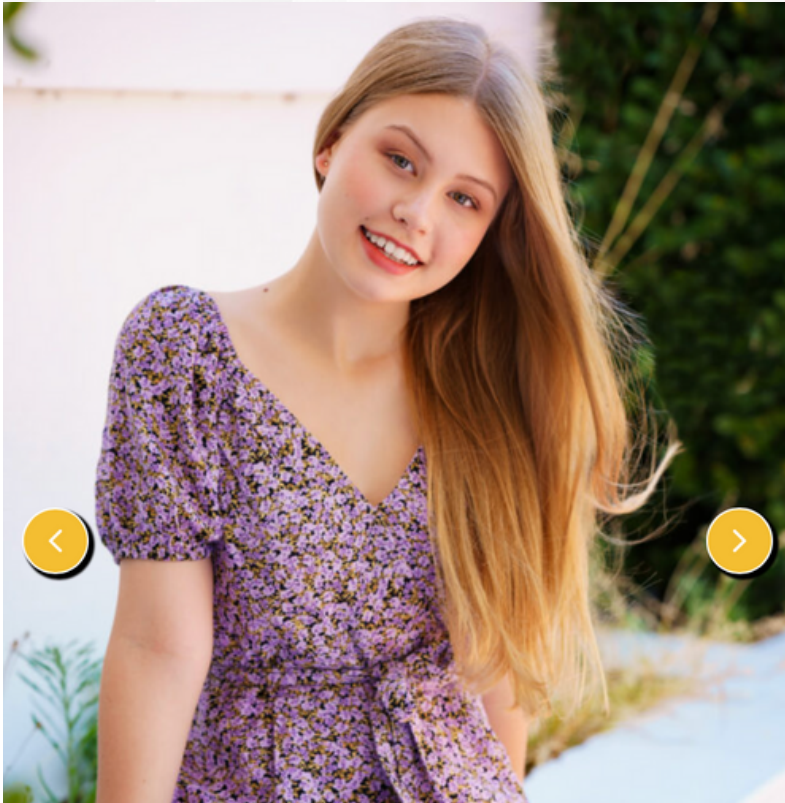






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## Q+A | Amelia's Acting Journey



One of the many success stories to come out of the Ali Roberts Studio is that of student Amelia Kelly. Amelia started classes when she was just 6 years old, under Ali's guidance, she developed the skills and confidence she needed to pursue acting as a career. Today, Amelia is a successful actor best known for her performances in the TV series *The Heights* (ABC). Amelia credits much of her success to the training she received at the Ali Roberts Studio. "Ali was not only my drama teacher, but she was also my mentor," she said. "She helped me to build the foundations of my craft and gave me the confidence to pursue my dreams."

### **How long have you been acting?**

Ten years. I started training when I was four and booked my first commercial when I was 6.

### **How often do you attend classes?**

Every week I have acting and accent classes which are lots of fun with my acting friends!

### **What projects have you worked on?**

I played Frankie in *The Heights* (ABC) filmed in Perth and worked on short films, web series, voiceovers and commercials.

### **What is it like working on-set experience?**

I love being on set! You work so closely with a wide variety of crew and cast working hard to make something really beautiful, to the point you often become a second family.

### **How do you cope when you don't book a role?**

I'm not going to lie but it's tough. I've had call backs in LA for *Secrets of Sulphur Springs* (Disney) and *Paper Girls* (Amazon). You have to accept that you weren't right for that role, move on and prepare for the next opportunity.

### **What is something you have learned/gained through acting?**

Resilience. As an actor, you get your fair share of rejection. It helps you not just in the industry but in everyday life to build a thicker skin. To push through and take the rejection and turn it into something that makes you stronger is extremely valuable in my point of view.

### **What advice you could give to an aspiring actor?**

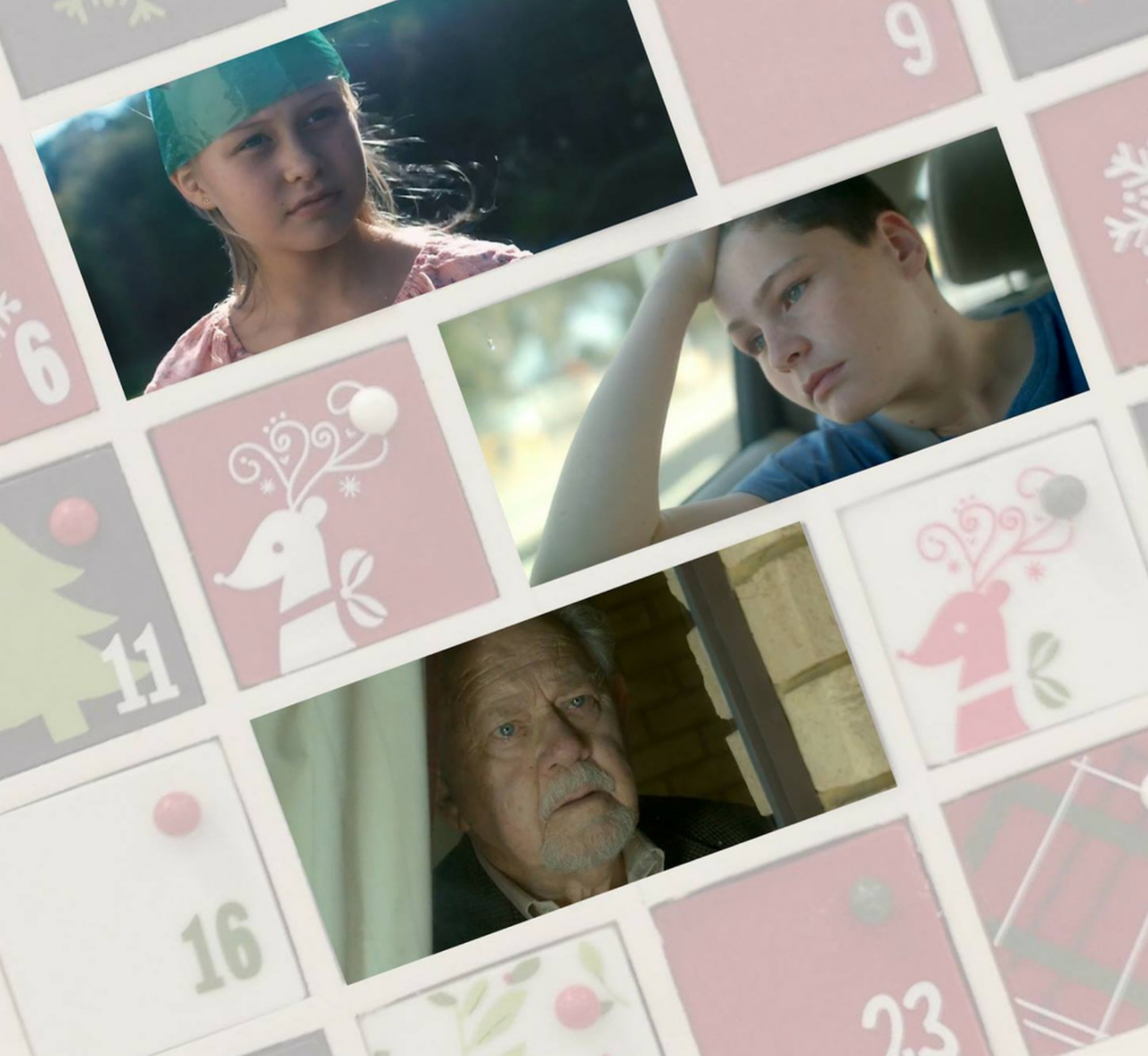
Give acting classes a go. You'll develop your confidence and make new friends.





What We See





# busting out the bells

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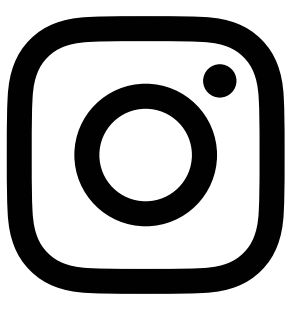








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