

Born and raised in Perth, Australia, James Bingham's passion for the arts was discovered as a child. While accompanying his sister to an audition for the "Sound of Music;" 8-year-old James decided to audition for the production as suggested by his mother. He ended up being cast as 'Kurt Von Trapp' in the musical. The casting precipitated his enrollment at Ali Roberts Studio to study his newfound craft and James was instantly hooked. Bingham began to take Stage and Screen classes which refined his natural abilities and instincts and Voice and Accent classes that have helped him master Standard American and British RP accents. After "Sound of Music" concluded its run, James took the stage again in "The Wind and The Willows," playing four different characters in the musical production.

Bingham has gained valuable experience playing the lead in various short films including 2018's award-winning "Busting Out the Bells." James played 'Jason' in the short about two grandchildren who begin to understand they are losing their grandfather to Alzheimer's Disease. This same year James was awarded the casting directors award, Most Promising Actor at a Screen showcase, and played the supporting role of 'Reece' in the drama short "Sentence." Filmed in an active juvenile prison," James' research for this role included talking to detainees, an experience that opened his eyes and allowed him to dive deeper into his character's depth.

James' big break came in 2019 when he was cast as 'Drew,' the young, skilled basketball player who will do anything for his team, in the soon-to-be released Apple TV+ series "Swagger." Catching the attention of creator and showrunner Reggie Rock Bythewood in the worldwide casting search via his self-tape, James flew to Los Angeles for a chemistry read and booked the coveted role of 'Drew.' Filming began shortly thereafter in Richmond, Virginia, an experience James will always remember, as it was his first legitimate set experience and his first time living in the US. . Premiering October 29 on Apple TV+, the series inspired by NBA superstar Kevin Durant's experiences explores the world of youth basketball, and the players, their families and coaches who walk the fine line between dreams and ambition, and opportunism and corruption. Bingham is honored to be a part of this project and to have worked with such a talented cast and crew.

When he is not filming or perfecting his craft, James enjoys living the life of a high schooler in Western Australia including hanging with his mates, playing Australian Rules football and spending time with family. Acting is not his only passion though, as James has a zest for music and enjoys playing guitar and drums. The 17-year-old is also a talented singer/songwriter who writes his own original music and is currently a member of two school bands in his native Australia. After he completes high school, the skilled

actor wants to move to Los Angeles and aspires to inspire and impact audiences like legendary actor Heath Ledger.