

TOM ROYCE-HAMPTON

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Biography

Tom Royce-Hampton is an actor, musician, director, motion capture performer. He is a graduate of the Victorian College of the Arts Music and Theatre Schools, and Actors Centre Australia. In 2007 he joined Taikoz, Australia's leading taiko ensemble, and performed with artists and companies as diverse as John Bell and Bell Shakespeare, Eitetsu Hayashi, Eitetsu Fuun no Kai and Kodo, as well as concerto performances with Sydney Symphony Orchestra, Western Australia Symphony Orchestra, Queensland Symphony Orchestra and Dresden Sinfonika. Tom has travelled extensively to Japan to study with traditional masters of many various styles of Wadaiko (Japanese drumming), dance, and theatre and performed and presented with the ensemble nationally and internationally for over a decade.

Tom's theatre credits include *Pericles* for Bell Shakespeare, *Moby Dick* and *Antigone* for Sport for Jove. His directing credits include; *Chi Udaka* for Taikoz, *ABYSS*, *The Mechanical* (Assistant Director), and *La Musica* for VCA, and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *Hamlet* for Bell Shakespeare (Assistant Fight and Movement Director). His film credits include *Souls of Totality*, (Official Selection for Tribeca Film Festival 2018, Palm Springs, Edinburgh, Santa Barbara, Cinequest, and Atlanta Film Festivals), *Tomorrow Mourning* and *Blue Skin*.

In 2019, Tom returned to the Victorian College of the Arts to undertake a Masters of Directing, where his studies centered around the development of a vocabulary and process for the embodiment of physical storytelling and the integration of emerging technologies in the realm of live performance. His thesis work, the live-streamed stage play *ABYSS* is slated to become a feature film in 2022.

Film/TV (Acting)

2018 James **Tomorrow Mourning** Encounter Collective | Dir. Jack Crumlin
2016 Pierre **Hit List** Beyond Productions | Dir. John Mavety
2016 Darren **Blue Skin** Jeremy Ghali Productions | Dir. Jordan Thwaites
2015 Joesph Rukaj **Your Number's Up** Beyond Productions | Dir. John Mavety

Theatre (Acting)

2018 Ishmael **Moby Dick** Sport for Jove | Dir. Adam Cook
2016 Soldier/Chorus **Antigone** Sport for Jove | Dir. Damien Ryan/Terry Karabelas
2016 Sam **Contrite Spirit** Edgeware Forum | Dir. Michael Yore
2009 Musician/Chorus **Pericles** Bell Shakespeare Company | Dir. John Bell

Musician (Selected credits)

2016 **Chi Udaka India Tour** Taikoz | Dir. Thomas Royce-Hampton
2014 **Chi Udaka Sydney Festival** Taikoz | Dir. Ian Cleworth
2014 **Future Directions** Taikoz | Dir. Kaoru Watanabe
2014 **Taikoz USA Tour** Taikoz | Dir. Ian Cleworth
2013 **Woodford Folk Festival** Taikoz | Dir. Ian Cleworth
2012 **Crimson Sky** Taikoz | Dir. Ian Cleworth
2012 **KODO and Taikoz in Concert** Taikoz/KODO | Dir. Ian Cleworth/Eiichi Sato
2011 **Blessings of the Earth Sydney/Taiwan** Taikoz | Dir. Ian Cleworth
2010 **Blessings of the Earth Australia Tour** Taikoz | Dir. Ian Cleworth
2010 **Taikoz with the West Australia Symphony Orchestra** Taikoz/WASO | Dir. Ian Cleworth
2010 **Pulse:Heart:Beat** Taikoz/Synergy | Dir. Ian Cleworth/Timothy Constable
2009 **KODO and Taikoz in Concert** Taikoz/KODO | Dir. Ian Cleworth/Motofumi Yamaguchi

Sound Design

2018 **Moby Dick** Sport for Jove | Dir. Adam Cook
2016 **Antigone** Sport for Jove | Dir. Damien Ryan/Terry Karabelas

Director - Theatre (Selected credits)

2021 **Hamlet** (Assistant Fight and Movement Director) Bell Shakespeare
2021 **A Midsummer Night's Dream** (Assistant Fight and Movement Director) Bell Shakespeare
2020 **ABYSS** *Lachlan Ervin* VCA Master of Directing Graduate Season
2020 **Machinal** *Sophie Treadwell* (Assistant Director) VCA Theatre School | Dir. Daniela Farinacci
2019 **Hearth** *Fleur Murphy* VCA Master of Writing graduate season
2018 **The View Upstairs** *Max Vernon* (Assistant Director) Sugary Rum Productions | Dir. Shaun Rennie
2017 **Van Zokenhiem Show Trailer** *Eli Ekrem Phoenix* The Sound Element
2016 **Chi Udaka Australia and India Tour** *Annandavali, Ian Cleworth and Riley Lee* Taikoz
2013 **Origin of O** *Tom Royce Hampton and Mike Chin* Taikoz
2013 **TaikoDeck:REDUX** *Tom Royce Hampton* Taikoz
2011 **TaikoDeck** *Tom Royce Hampton* Taikoz
2010 **Taikoz Duo** *Tom Royce Hampton and Anton Lock* Taikoz

Director - Film

2020 **What Makes a Memory** *Tom Royce-Hampton* Onstone (short film)

Director - Commercial

2021 **Behind the Stone** *Tom Royce-Hampton* Onstone

Motion Capture

2019 **Untitled Pilot** Silversun Pictures
2018 **Call of Duty 4: Black Ops** Plastic Wax

Writer

2018 **Tomorrow Mourning** Encounter Collective | Dir. Jack Crumlin

Production

2018 Producer **Tomorrow Mourning** Encounter Collective
2017 Key Grip **Souls of Totality** 4WT Media
2017 Technical staff **Sterling Fringe Festival** Bamboozled Productions

Educator

2009-18 Teacher and Workshop Leader **Moorambilla** Baradine, Australia
2007-16 Teacher and Workshop Leader **Taikoz School** Sydney, Australia