



**HEIGHT:** 160cm  
**HAIR:** red  
**EYES:** blue



**BACKGROUND**

Darien is an experienced actress/singer who has performed in New Zealand, Australia, United Kingdom, USA, and Hawaii. She writes and directs and has performed in alternative Theatre, Comedy, Musical Theatre, Opera and her own solo shows.

**AWARDS & NOMINATIONS**

NZ Film Awards - Best Performance in a Digital Feature - Christmas Dir. Greg King

YEAR	PRODUCTION	ROLE	COMPANY/VENUE	DIRECTOR
<b>FILM</b>				
2008	A SONG OF GOOD	June Eskelson	Headstrong	Greg King
2004	DECEIT	Janel	Open Road Productions	John Sacret Young
2003	CHRISTMAS	Loma	Severe Features Limited	Greg King
1997	THE UGLY	Marge	Essential Films	Scott Reynolds
1994	HEAVENLY CREATURES	Miss Stewart	WingNut Films	Peter Jackson
1993	BREAD AND ROSES	Matron	Gaylene Preston Productions	Gaylene Preston
1984	SECOND TIME LUCKY	Slapper	Eadenrock Ltd	Michael Anderson
1983	THE LOST TRIBE	Slapper	Avatar Entertainment Group	John Laing
1972	GONE UP NORTH FOR A WHILE	Nurse	NZ National Film Unit	Paul Maunder
1959	LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD	Red Riding Hood		Ruth Dillon
<b>TELEVISION</b>				
2017	800 WORDS	Valerie	South Pacific Pictures	Various
2015	HILLARY	Remuera Woman	Great Southern Television	Danny Mulheron
2014	SHORTLAND STREET	Charlotte Sadler	South Pacific Pictures	Various
2008	BURYING BRIAN	Danya Williams	Eyeworks	Various
2003	SHORTLAND STREET	Babs Albright	South Pacific Pictures	Various
2002	MERCY PEAK	Caroline	South Pacific Pictures	Ian Mune
1994	MARLIN BAY	Darcy Mason	South Pacific Pictures	Chris Bailey
1994	EREBUS-THE AFTERMATH	Myra Davis		
1993	TYPHOONS PEOPLE	Felicity Gladstone	Gibson Group	Yvonne Mackay
1985-1986	POSSESSION	Louise Carpenter	Grundys Australia	Various
1983	KALEIDOSCOPE: WINGS OVER WATER	Solo	TVNZ	
1982	KAELDOSCOPE: DARIEN TAKLE SINGS BRECHT	Solo	TVNZ	
1981-1982	12 BAR RHYTHM N SHOES	Singer/Dancer	TVNZ	
	HUDSON AND HALLS	Guest Singer	TVNZ	
	STARS ON SUNDAY	Reader	TVNZ	
	GIVE US A CLUE	Guest Celebrity	TVNZ	
<b>SHORT FILM</b>				
2009	THE ROAD OUT OF TOWN	Constable June Weppet		
2008	EX LIBRIS	Librarian		Oliver Page
2007	SWEET AS	Mother		
2006	PURE	Mother		
2000	DONUTS FOR BREAKFAST	Mrs Spratt		Felicity Morgan-Rhind



1999	SCI FI BETTY	Tempest Storm		Gillian Ashurst
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## THEATRE

2017	HEN'S TEETH	Darien	Circa Theatre	
2016	YOU CAN ALWAYS HAND THEM BACK	Honey	Auckland Theatre Company	Janice Finn
2015	LYSISTRATA	Stratalis	Auckland Theatre Company	Michael Hurst
2014	THE PINK HAMMER	Louise	Centrepoint Theatre	Conrad Newport
2013	THE WOMEN	Mrs. Morehead/Maggie/Countess de Lage	The Court Theatre	Ross Gumbly
2012	A SHORTCUT TO HAPPINESS	Janet	Auckland Theatre Company	Alison Quigan
2012	THE BIRTHDAY PARTY	Meg	Potent Pause	Raymond Hawthorne
2011	FOUR FLAT WHITES IN ITALY	Alison	Circa Theatre	Ross Jolly
2011	MIDNIGHT IN MOSCOW	June	Court Theatre	Ross Gumbly
2010	MARY STUART	Jane Kennedy	Circa Theatre	Ross Jolly
2009	HAPPY COUPLING		Centrepoint Theatre	
2008	WHO WANTS TO BE 100?		Fortune Theatre	
	PIAF	Edith Piaf	Theatre corporate	Raymond Hawthorne
	EVITA	Eva Peron	NZ and Hawaii	
	LES MISERABLES	Fantine	Cameron McIntosh Productions Melbourne	
	HAMLET	Gertrude	Mercury Theatre Company	
	KING LEAR	Cordelia	Mercury Theatre Company	
	YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU	Reba	Mercury Theatre Company	
	TAMING OF THE SHREW	Bianca	Mercury Theatre Company	
	HENRY V	Kate	Mercury Theatre Company	
	CABARET	Sally Bowles	Mercury Theatre Company	
	WIZARD OF OZ	Dorothy Gale	Mercury Theatre Company	
	LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC	Petra	Mercury Theatre Company	
	KISS ME KATE	Lois	Mercury Theatre Company	
	TRAVESTIES	Gwendolen	Mercury Theatre Company	
	SOUND OF MUSIC	Maria	Mercury Theatre Company	
	FIDDLER ON THE ROON	Hode	Mercury Theatre Company	
	MEPHOSTOPHELES	Faustus	Mercury Theatre Company	
	JAQUES BREL IS ALIVE AND WILL AND LIVING IN PARIS	Singer	Mercury Theatre Company	
	DARIEN TAKLE SINGS BRECHT	Solo show	Dairen Takle	
	INTO THE WOODS	The Witch	Watershed Theatre	
	DAUGHTERS OF HEAVEN		Court Theatre	Elric Hooper
	GYSPY		Court Theatre	Elric Hooper

## TRAINING

Diploma on Fine Arts - Elam Art School, Auckland University  
 Performing Arts degree - Toi Whakaari  
 Celta Diploma and Tesol - Unitec

## RELEVANT SKILLS

Full drivers liscense, basic waterski, swimming, yoga. Basic dance (modern).  
 Highly skilled singer - mezzo soprano (E below mid C - top C) Musical theatre, French.  
 Voice artist, writer & director. Most accents when required.