



CAST BIOGRAPHIES

(alphabetical order)

KATRINA BROWNE

"Kapri"

Katrina Browne is well known in New Zealand for playing villains. Her work on such television series "Street Legal" and "Shortland Street" prepared her well to play the sassy rogue "Kapri" in "Power Rangers Ninja Storm."

Browne won the best actress award at the Drifting Cloud Short Film Festival for her performance in "Filmworthy." She also recently starred with Jack Wagner and Joanna Pakula in the television movie "Cupid's Prey." Among her domestic television credits, Browne includes the telefilm "Hearts of Men," the series "Xena: Warrior Princess," "Hercules The Legendary Journey" and a recurring role as "Queen Cyane" in the series "Young Hercules." Internationally, Browne has been seen in "The Legend of William Tell," "Ivanhoe the Dark Knight" and "The Tribe" for UK television.

In addition to acting, Browne sings, plays piano and violin and ballet dances. A talented athlete, she is a champion New Zealand lifeguard and plays netball, volleyball and touch rugby. She also does rhythmic gymnastics. Browne works as a volunteer with autistic and Aspergers syndrome children.

JASON CHAN

"Cam"

Acting is a second career for Jason Chan. The 2001 graduate of Australia's National Institute of Dramatic Arts decided to follow his acting dream after working for several years as a doctor.

He was recently seen as a host of "Playhouse Disney," a 20-episode children's series for Disney Channel Australia. Additional credits include the Australian feature "Short & Curly;" the short films "My Old Home" and "Daisy;" and the theatre production "Connie and Kevin and the Secret Life of Groceries."

Chan was born in Malaysia and moved to Perth, Australia, when he was five. He graduated from University having studied dance and acting in addition to medicine.

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KATRINA DEVINE
"Marah"

As a child, Katrina Devine wanted to be a Power Ranger. Nowadays she's just fine with playing the Power Rangers' evil nemesis, "Marah." Her role as the wild villain on the show is a stark contrast to her portrayal of "Minnie Crozier" on the television show "Shortland Street." Devine's performance on the popular New Zealand series spanned seven years and earned her a best supporting actress award at the New Zealand Television Awards in 1998.

Devine's most recent role was in the television series "Street Legal." She also guest starred in "Xena: Warrior Princess" and was in several American productions including the telefilm "Atomic Twister" and the short film "Death of a Theatre Manager."

Though she lives in New Zealand, Devine was born in Ireland. Her roots have influenced Devine's additional passions, which include Irish songs and Irish dancing. The latter has garnered the actress numerous awards, having competed in the activity since she was five years old.

GRANT MCFARLAND
"Sensei" / "Lothor"

New Zealand born Grant McFarland has been acting in film, television and theatre for 30-years. His first starring role came in the groundbreaking New Zealand television series "Pukemanu" in 1973. Since then, his career has been highlighted by roles in the Kevin Costner-produced film "Rapa Nui," directed by Kevin Reynolds, as well as the New Zealand feature films "Savage Island," "Jack Be Nimble" and "The Footstep Man."

McFarland's domestic television credits include guest starring roles in "Xena Warrior Princess," "Hercules," "The Legendary Journeys" and "Mysterious Island." He was also in the New Zealand series "Street Legal," "Plainclothes," "A Going Concern" and "Under Fire Mountain."

McFarland was in the original company of Auckland's renowned Mercury Theatre for 10 years and continues to perform in Mercury productions.

PUA MAGASIVA
"Shane" / "Red Ranger"

Pua Magasiva's love for acting was inspired by his older brother, Robbie Magasiva, a well-known actor in New Zealand. His brother's support coupled with a determined spirit to succeed as an entertainer has helped the Samoa-born actor land roles in several feature films including New Zealand's "Crime Story" and "Aidiko Insane" and the domestic independent feature "Eye of the Storm."

Magasiva was also in several international television projects including the UK's "Revelations - Unfinished Business," a Maori television drama entitled "Aroha - Haka & Siva," and a guest role on New Zealand's hit soap opera "Shortland Street."

Magasiva attended St. Patrick's College in Wellington, where he was known for his natural entertainment ability. In addition to acting, he is a talented dancer, singer and athlete.

SALLY MARTIN
"Tori" / "Blue Ranger"

For as long as she can remember, Sally Martin has been an actress. However, the 17-year-old began her career as a director of living room theatre. From an early age she began making up plays and persuaded her friends to act them out in her family's home. She has since graduated from her parent's house to theatre houses and has already built an impressive portfolio of work in film and television in addition to the stage.

Martin was most recently seen as "Charity Foster" in the domestic telefilm "Murder in Greenwich, the Martha Moxley Story." She has also played guest roles in the hit UK series "The Tribe" and in "Disney's Atlantis High." Her additional television credits include the UK's "Revelations - The Initial Journey" and New Zealand's "The Strip."

Martin attended Chilton St. James College in Wellington, where she performed in numerous festivals and productions including the national Sheila Winn Shakespeare Festival, the New Zealand College Theatresports competition and a variety of school plays.

Martin was born in New Zealand and professionally trained with the National Youth Drama.

GLENN MCMILLAN
"Dustin" / "Yellow Ranger"

18-year-old Glenn McMillan has been acting for ten years. He appeared in his first professional production, a play entitled "Six Characters In Search of an Author," at age 11 with the State Theatre Company of South Australia. Among his credits are the feature film "Sally Marshall is not an Alien" and the television drama "Chuck Finn"

McMillan attended Pembroke College in Adelaide, Australia, where he appeared in "Into the Woods" and "Mahabharata." He recently took a hiatus from his university studies to star in "Power Rangers Ninja Storm." Landing the part of the Yellow Ranger is a nostalgic dream come true for McMillan. Like his character, he is a motocross enthusiast and has a great deal of experience riding. As a boy he would watch the show with friends, whom he says are envious of his latest role.

Though McMillan has lived most of his life in Australia, he was born in Brazil and considers himself Brazilian. In addition to acting and playing a range of sports, he is also a musician who is passionate about jazz and plays the saxophone and bass.

ADAM TUOMINEN
"Hunter" / "Crimson Thunder"

As a child, Adam Tuominen recalls playing "Power Rangers" at home with his twin brother. Now, he gets to play one on television, as "Hunter"/ "Crimson Thunder," the darker half of the Thunder Ranger duo.

Tuominen was recently seen on the popular Australian television series "Always Greener" and on the crime drama "Young Lions." Prior to joining "Power Rangers: Ninja Storm," he completed a television pilot entitled "Temptation" with well-known Australian actor Colin Friels.

Originally from Adelaide, South Australia, Tuominen studied drama at St Peter's Collegiate, where he starred in productions including "Twelfth Night" and "Waiting For Godot." In addition to acting, he studied directing at Adelaide's Flinders Drama Centre.

Having spent his college years playing Australian Rules football and five years training in martial arts, Tuominen is well prepared for his physically demanding role as a Thunder Ranger.

Tuominen is a 2001 graduate of the National Institute of Dramatic Arts in Sydney.

JORGITO VARGAS
"Blake" / "Navy Ranger"

Jorgito Vargas Jr. is best known for his portrayal of "Auggie" on the television series "Higher Ground." He also co-starred as "Dim" in the NBC series "SK8."

Vargas' prolific film and television career includes roles in the feature "Excess Baggage" with Alicia Silverstone and Benecio Del Toro and in the television series "Dark Angel," "The Odyssey," "Millenium," "Viper," "Poltergeist" and "Stargate."

With a career spanning back to his childhood, Vargas was also featured in popular series of the eighties including "MacGyver," "21 Jump Street" and "Booker." In addition to acting, Vargas is skilled in martial arts, skateboarding, skiing and soccer.

When not shooting "Power Ranger Ninja Storm," Vargas resides in Vancouver, Canada.