



WOMEN IN FILM & TELEVISION  
NEW ZEALAND

# Awards 2022

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## WIFT NZ 2022 AWARDS FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

WIFT NZ is delighted to announce the finalists for ten award categories, as selected by the judging panel of Jill Macnab (Chair), Anna Canton, Vicky Pope, Kath Graham, Kath Thomas, Samantha Jukes, Morgan Leigh Stewart and Sally Campbell, with input from Blake Ihimaera, Teremoana Rapley and the various category sponsors.

The winners will be announced at an awards ceremony on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July, covid-willing, at the ASB Waterfront Theatre, Auckland.

Finalists are announced for the following ten categories:

### **South Pacific Pictures Award for Achievement in Film**

Ainsley Gardiner and Briar Grace-Smith for *Cousins*  
Vicky Pope for *Savage*  
Chelsea Winstanley for *Jojo Rabbit*

### **Imagezone Entrepreneurship Award**

Aliesha Staples – Staples VR  
Maru Nihoniho – Metia Interactive  
Sharlene George – The Sweetshop

### **Images & Sound Award for Success in Television**

Jessica Hobbs for *The Crown*  
Janine Morrell-Gunn for her body of work first broadcast between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2021  
Rose Matafeo for *Horndog* and *Starstruck*

### **Professional Lighting Services Award for Unsung Heroine of the NZ Screen Industry**

Dianne Moffatt  
Paula Jones  
Viv Wigby-Ngātai



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**SAE Award for Outstanding Newcomer**

Cian Elyse White  
Grace Palmer  
Grae Meek

**Fulcrum Media Finance Woman to Watch Award**

Morgan Waru  
Shoshana McCallum  
Sophie Dowson

**Queenstown Camera Company Craft Award**

Kelly Chen  
Melissa Ririnui  
Sophie Lloyd

**The Weta Group Creative Technology Award**

Alana Cotton  
Cushla Dillon  
Krystal Paraone

**Te Māngai Pāho Te Reo Māori Champion Award**

Oriini Kaipara  
Reikura Kahi  
Te O Kahurangi Karen Waaka

**Tautai Award for Moana Excellence in the Screen Industry**

Kerry Warkia  
Lisa Taouma  
Ngaire Fuata  
Sima Urale

The Tautai Award for Moana Excellence in the Screen Industry is new this year and has been created to recognise the significant contribution of the many Moana Pasifika women working in the screen industry in Aotearoa New Zealand.

The judges determined that there should be only one finalist and winner to be announced at the Awards ceremony for the following category:

**Great Southern Film & Television Award for Outstanding Contribution to the NZ Screen Industry**

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