

Arion Janus Polkinghorne

Stunt Performer | Stunt Rigger | Art Department Carpenter

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Height: 185cm | Weight: 90kg | Chest: 112cm | Waist: 86cm | Shoe: US13 | Hair: Red



Professional Summary

Experienced stunt rigger, performer, water safety, and On-Set carpenter with credits on major Film and TV productions in New Zealand & Australia. Member of the New Zealand Stunt Guild. Specialist in advanced **water stunt work supported by AIDA 2 freediving & NZRA swift water rescue certifications**. Over two decades of international outdoor guiding, and instruction in rafting, climbing, sailing, & advanced rescue and first aid, complementing on-set stunts and rigging safety. Skilled in fight performance, fluid movement and acrobatics through **25 years** as a **Capoeira Instructor** with group Capoeira Brasil.

Selected Film & TV Credits

- **Street Fighter (2025)** – Carpenter Set Builder – Sydney, AUS
- **Megan 2.0 (2025)** – Stunt Performer – Auckland, NZ
- **Wrecking Crew (2024)** – Stunt Water Safety / Rigger – Auckland, NZ
- **Spartacus (2024)** – On Set Carpenter – Auckland, NZ
- **Deep Water (2023)** – Stunt Performer / Rigger – Auckland, NZ
- **Chief of War (Apple TV, 2022–23)** – On Set Carpenter – Auckland, NZ
- **Rings of Power (Amazon, 2020–21)** – On Set Carpenter, Stunt Performer – Auckland, NZ
- **Inked (TVC, 2020)** – Safety Officer – Auckland, NZ

Key Skills

- **Martial Arts:** 25 years of Capoeira (instructor), fight for camera, choreographed combat
- **Water:** AIDA 2 freediving certified, water stunts, high dives, surfing & SUP surf, swift water rafting & kayaking, sailing
- **Stunts:** Harness work, High falls, horse riding & falls, weaponry (sword, staff, bow, nunchaku)
- **Rigging & Safety:** Rope rigging, anchor systems, rescue coordination
- **Vehicles:** Manual & 4x4, street motorcycles, stunt driving (Tracktime Academy Stage 1)
- **Art Dept. Carpentry:** On-set set building, woodworking, carving

Training & Certifications

- Member – **New Zealand Stunt Guild**
- **NZRA Senior 4/5 Raft Guide & Rescue Instructor**
- **AIDA 2 Freediving Certification**
- Fight for Camera – Rodney Cook, Mark Trotter, Dayna Grant
- Horse Stunts – Rory McTavish, Dayna Grant
- Tracktime Driving Academy – Stage 1
- **PHEC Pre-Hospital Emergency Care**, Outdoor First Aid
- Full NZ & US Driver's Licenses (incl. motorcycles, EWP, class 1,2,6,P,F)