

# Sarah Bicknell

## 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director



- 2022      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**It's All About You** – About You Films Ltd (Feature Film)  
Producer: Jo Hiles, Director: Mike Smith
- 2022      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Sport NZ** – Scoundrel (TVC)  
Producers: Pamela Harvey-White, Tony Whyman, Director: Louis Sutherland
- 2022      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Nova – Four Gregs** – CPD Films (TVC)  
Producer: Bridget Bolton-Riley, Director: Chris Dudman
- 2022      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Webtoon Canvas** – The Sweetshop (TVC)  
Producer: Andy Mauger, Director: Dylan Pharazyn
- 2022      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Kinder Surprise** – Scoundrel (TVC)  
Producer: Kristian Eek, Director: Louis Sutherland
- 2021      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Health Span Elite / All Blacks** – Eighty One (TVC)  
Producer: Paul Stent, Director: Louis Sutherland
- 2021      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Waka Kotahi – Mixed Meds** – Revolver (TVC)  
Producer: Mark Foster, Director: Peter Baker
- 2021      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**JUST Egg** – Wrestler (TVC)  
Producer: Deirdre Crowley, Director: Gareth Williams
- 2021      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Niantic – Real World Gaming** – Wrestler (TVC)  
Producer: Jasmine St. John, Director: Gareth Williams
- 2021      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Wellington Paranormal S4** - NZ Documentary Board (TV series)  
Producer: Paul Yates, Line Producer: Michelle Turner, Director: Jemaine Clement
- 2021      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Waka Kotahi - Smoke Free Cars** - Scoundrel (TVC)  
Producer: Breigh Sutherland, Director: Louis Sutherland
- 2021      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Allbirds Breeze** – Wrestler (TVC)  
Producer: Jasmine St. John, Director: Anita Fontaine
- 2021      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Huddle Insurance** – Robin Murphy Productions (TVC)  
Producer: Robin Murphy, Director: Peter Baker
- 2021      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Corazon – Zoom Classroom shoot / VFX Extras shoot** – A24 (TV series)  
Line Producer: Pam Hislop, Director: Joseph Gordon Levitt
- 2020      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Cigna Funeral Insurance** - 99 (TVC)  
Producer: Sara Alison, Director: Rachel Weaver
- 2020      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Interislander – Great Journeys Lead to Great Stories** – Clockwork Films (TVC)  
Producer: Peter Mayo, Director: Matt Eastwood

2020 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Hari with the Māori Sidesteps** - (TV skit/sitcom show)  
Producers: Brandon Te Moananui and Jamie McGaskill, Director: Tama Kawha

2020 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Super Gold** - Clemenger BBDO (TVC)  
Producers: Josh Rollo, Jen Gasson, Director: Brooke Benton

2019 **Floor Manager/AFM**  
**What Now** - Whitebait Media (Live kids TV show)  
Production Manager: Jill Bailey, Various Directors

2019 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Colonial Combat Series 2** - Awa Films (Web Series)  
Producers: Julian Arahanga, Becs Arahanga, Director: Julian Arahanga

2018 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Survivors** (Short Film)  
Producer/Director: Steve Barr

2018 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Turn of the Screw** – Galvanized Films (Feature Film)  
Producers: Emma Beale, Nicola Pepperkorn, Director: Alex Galvin

2018 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Maunga** – (Short Film)  
Producers: Marc Tyron, Michelle Turner, Directors: David Strong, Wanda Lepionka

2018 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Flip** – Anson Hunter Ltd (Short Film)  
Producer: Tom Boniface-Webb, Director: Jessica Grace Smith

2018 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director Tutor**  
**EOT and EOY Films** – NZ Film School (Short Films)  
Guest Tutor, 1st AD and 1<sup>st</sup> AD Mentor.

2017 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Colonial Combat** – Awa Films (Webseries)  
Producer/Director: Julian Arahanga, Production Managers: Ness Patea, Ruth Korver

2017 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Pot Luck** – Robin Murphy Productions (Webseries)  
Producer: Robin Murphy, Production Manager: Michelle Turner, Director: Ness Simons

2017 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Choice Not Chance** – Thick as Thieves (TVC)  
Producer: Nik Beachman, Production Manager: Nicky Simes, Director: Michelle Savill

2014 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Wharewaka Shoot** - Tourism NZ Business Events (live action promo shoot)  
Producers: Nikki Walker, Nicky Symes, Director: Chris Sasarich

2014 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Rugby Meets Awesome** - Y & R (promos for Rugby Sevens for Crowd Goes Wild)  
Agency Producer: Scott Henderson, Director: James McOnie

2014 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**War News** - Gibson Group (Studio shoot only - TV series)  
Producer: Gary Scott, Director: Mike Smith

2009-2013 **Mother Extraordinaire**  
**Oliver & Kate Bicknell** – Children Production  
Producers: Sarah and William Bicknell

2008 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**Digit** – Room 11 Productions (Short Film)  
Producer: Sandra Clark, Director: Claire Ashton

2007 **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
**NZ Army Recruitment** – Sticky Pictures (3 x 45 Second TVCs)  
Producer: Warren Green, Director: Mark Albiston

- 2007            **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
                   **Halo Shorts** – HT Ltd (Computer Game TVC's)  
                   Producer: Carolynne Cunningham, Director: Neill Blomkamp
- 2007            **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
                   **The Lovely Bones – Previs Shoot** – Wingnut Creative  
                   Producer: Carolynne Cunningham, Director: Peter Jackson
- 2007            **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
                   **Bad Trip** - Streetlight Pictures (15 min Short Film)  
                   Producer: Mhairead Conner, Director: Louis Sutherland
- 2006/2007      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
                   **My Story** - Gibson Group (40 x 2 minute Dramas for Mobiles)  
                   Producer: Dave Gibson, Line Producer: Chris Tyson, Director: Peter Salmon
- 2006            **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
                   **Run** – Fast Feet Films (Short film)  
                   Producer: Robin Murphy, Director: Mark Albiston
- 2006            **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
                   **The Hothouse** – Gibson Group (TV drama series)  
                   Producer: Dave Gibson, Line Producer: Chris Tyson, Director: Danny Mulheron
- 2005            **Scheduling 1st Assistant Director**  
                   **Insider's Guide to Love** – Gibson Group (Multi-unit Location Shoot TV drama series)  
                   , Producer: Dave Gibson, Line Producer:Chris Tyson

**UK EXPERIENCE**

- 2003            **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
                   **Family Affairs** – Thames Talkback Television (UK) (Multi-unit TV soap Opera)
- 2002/2003      **1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Director**  
                   **EastEnders** – BBC Television (UK) (Multi-unit TV Soap Opera)
- 2002            **Scheduling 1<sup>st</sup> AD**  
                   **EastEnders** – BBC Television (UK) (Multi-unit TV Soap Opera)
- 2001/2002      **Scheduler**  
                   **Family Affairs** – Thames Talkback Television (UK) (Multi-unit TV soap Opera)
- 1996-2002      **2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> AD**  
                   **Various BBC/Independent** including 1yr AD traineeship with Yorkshire TV