



## Steven John Ward

Actor | Voice Over Artist

Steven is a South African actor who is best known for his role as Dracule Mihawk in the Netflix live action adaptation of *One Piece* – the best-selling manga series in history.

Having completed a Bachelor in Live Performance from AFDA, as well as training with several local and international coaches, Steven has appeared in several theatre and film productions including, *Barefoot in the Park*, *The Hitch Hikers Guide to the Galaxy*, *The Day We Didn't Meet*, and SAFTA award-winning film, *From a House on Willow Street*.

Making his television debut in the 2010 *Amstel Class Act* competition, placing 7th in South Africa, Steven has appeared in numerous commercials and is a regular on television screens worldwide, having played characters in South African telenovelas like *Legacy*; and international roles in *Strike Back* and Syfy's, *Vagrant Queen*. Steven's dexterity as an actor saw him cast in South Africa's first commissioned Netflix Series, *Queen Sono*, portraying the role of a Russian mafia gangster, posing as a British philanthropist. In 2024, we saw Steven starring alongside Charlotte Hope in the drama *Catch Me A Killer*, available in South Africa on Showmax, The USA on Prime and the UK on Britbox.

The multi-talented Steven is highly sought after in the voice over booth, having worked with numerous commercial clients in South Africa. Steven's voice brings a rich nuance to any script and he easy to direct in studio.

Behind the scenes, Steven worked as a Casting Associate/Director for +10 years giving him invaluable knowledge of what goes into the process of casting an actor for a project and thus helping him hone his own skills for all his on-camera endeavours.

## Performance Resume

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### TRAINING:

**Acting Coaching:** Bonnie-Lee Bouman, Clive Martin, Anita Schenauer, Justin Struijdom, Michael Woolson

**PYT** (Pretoria Youth Theatre) – Theatre Acting

**LADA** (Lourie Academy of Dramatic Arts) – Theatre Acting (Method) & Directing

**AFDA** (South African School of Motion Picture Medium and Live Performance) – Screen Acting

### THEATRE:

GEORGE & THE GIANT SWEET FACTORY

SNOW WHITE

ALADDIN

RED RIDING HOOD

JACK & THE BEAN STALK

CINDERELLA

BEAUTY & THE BEAST

BACK TO THE EIGHTIES (Musical)

ALL STARS (Musical)

BAREFOOT IN THE PARK

THE HITCH HIKERS GUIDE TO THE GALAXY

Role: Lead

Role: Dwarf

Role: Jafar

Role: Wolf

Role: Giant

Role: Step Mother

Role: Beast/Prince

Role: Lead

Role: Lead

Role: Paul Bratter

Role: Arthur

Pretoria Youth Theatre

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Lourie Academy of Dramatic Arts

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### TELEVISION:

2022 CATCH ME A KILLER

2022 ONE PIECE

2021 LEGACY

2020 INCONCEIVABLE

2019 VAGRANT QUEEN (S1)

2019 QUEEN SONO (S1)

2010 AMSTEL CLASS ACT

2009 CARTOON NETWORK DANCE CLUB

2017 LAND OF THE FREE

2016 NO MAN LEFT BEHIND

2013 TEMPI PUSHAS

2013 STRIKE BACK S3

Role: Mark

Role: Mihawk

Role: Max

Role: Nick Ribeiro

Role: Chaz

Role: Elton Davenport

Role: Contestant

Role: Co-Host

Role: Guest Star

Role: Seth Howard

Role: Guest Star

Role: Supporting

Local Motion Pictures

Film Afika

Mnet

Mnet

SciFi Channel

Netflix

SABC

Cartoon Network

History Channel

NatGeo

SABC 1

HBO

### FILM:

2023 A DINNER TO DIE FOR

2020 THE DAY WE DIDN'T MEET

2019 TRIGGERED

2016 FROM A HOUSE ON WILLOW STREET

2015 DEATH AND LIFE OF YOUNG WINTER

2014 REVOLT

2014 THE ACT

2013 RIFT

2013 ANGEL OF THE SKIES

2012 YOUNG WINTER

2011 THE WHITE

2011 LANTURN

2010 HALF OTHER

Role: Lead

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Role: Lead

Role: Lead

Role: Lead

Role: Supporting

Role: Lead

Role: Lead

Role: Supporting

Role: Lead

Role: Lead

Role: Lead

Role: Lead

Kingdom Kome

Nagvlug Films

The First Order

Darkside/The First Order

Voltage Pictures

# OSM

OWEN S. MANAGEMENT



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### COMMERCIALS:

Commercials CV to be sent upon request.

### SKILLS:

MUSIC: Singing (Bass/Baritone), Piano, Guitar, Bass, Drums, Ukulele, Banjo (beginner),

SPORTS: Skateboarding, Swimming (competitive), Deep Sea Diving (NAWI Advanced), Dancing (Street/break dancing), Horse Riding

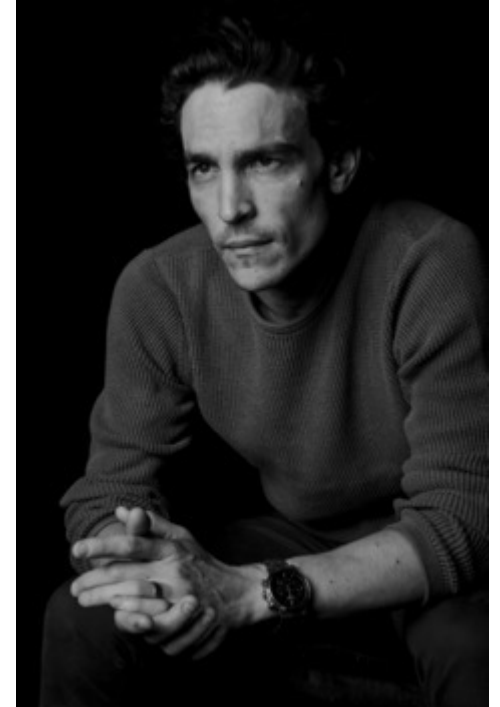
STUNTS: Weapons Training, Sword fighting, Wirework and Stunt experience

ACCENTS: Standard American, Southern, Mid-Atlantic, Australian, South African (various dialects), Bostonian, British: Neutral, Cockney, BBC (Received Pronunciation).

IMPERSONATIONS: Kermit the Frog, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Don LaFontaine (Movie Trailer Voice), Captain Jack Sparrow

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