



fine with that audition, too, so I didn't know which part might come my way. I was pleased to eventually find out it was Camulus."

Bacic makes his *Stargate* debut in the Season Eight opener *New Order* when a triumvirate of Goa'uld System Lords request a meeting with the authorities at the SGC. "My character and his 'associates', Amaterasu [Kira Clavell] and Yu [Vince Crestejo], want to make a trade," says the actor. "They're being bullied by one of their own kind, but naturally won't come right out and say that. Instead, they play a good old-fashioned poker game of wits with Daniel Jackson and Dr Weir [Torri Higginson]. Camulus tries to keep his hand close to his chest so as not to reveal too much. Basically, he wants to convince Daniel and Dr Weir that they're getting the deal of a lifetime and they should take it. Naturally, the two are suspicious.

"Those scenes were a lot of fun to do," he continues. "I had

worked with Kira Clavell before and I enjoyed doing so again. The gentleman who played Yu was a riot. His character is supposed to be bit senile and he kept nodding off, so his First Prime usually wound up taking care of things for him. I thought we made a nifty trio," chuckles Bacic. "It was also a pleasure working with both Michael Shanks and Torri Higginson. As for Andy Mikita, he's an awesome director. He pretty much let me do my own thing and was always open to any suggestions I might have had."

At the end of *New Order*, Camulus decides the climate on Earth is much safer for him and requests asylum. He begins to have second thoughts, though, when he has to deal with General O'Neill in the next episode, *Zero Hour*. "Camulus claims that Humankind needs him more than he needs them but, in fact, it's the other way around," says Bacic. "He tries his hand at outwitting O'Neill and,

Above: The stropky Goa'uld System Lords, Amaterasu (Kira Clavell), Camulus (Steve Bacic) and Yu (Vince Crestejo)

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unfortunately, things don't turn out quite the way he anticipates. You'll have to watch the episode to see what I mean by that."

Besides *Stargate* and the aforementioned TV movie *The Colt*, Bacic also recently completed shooting *The Teacher*, an independent feature film that he wrote as well as executive produced and starred in. Currently, the actor and the rest of the *Andromeda* cast and crew are hard at work filming that show's fifth season. He promises fans will notice a difference in Telemachus Rhade this time around.

"My character is trying a different tactic, almost anti-Nietzschean if you will," says Bacic. "Rather than being pragmatic and analysing a situation, he'll sometimes act purely on his emotions and worry later about the consequences. Also, Telemachus is less of an order-taker and much more his own person. He has one or two issues to deal with and I'm looking forward to discovering what they are," he enthuses.