

IMTA ALUM JILL WAGNER AND *AUTUMN DREAMS*

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Autumn Dreams premieres on the Hallmark Channel on
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"I get really nervous especially with the whole red carpet thing. The worst thing about it is just standing there and all these people are taking your picture and I am just thinking 'Why are you taking my picture?' I'm just Jill Wagner."

The Hallmark Channel, known for family-friendly programming and heart-warming movies, begins a new tradition this October with a "Fall Harvest" of seasonal programming, featuring four original premieres, one debuting each Saturday in October. Included in the programming are three new Hallmark movies and a two-hour sneak preview of the channel's popular series "*Good Witch*."



IMTA alum Jill Wagner stars in the first of the original movie premieres, *Autumn Dreams*, alongside Colin Egglesfield, Rachael Hayward, Ken Tremblett, Bill Dow and Matty Finocchio. In the film, a young and madly in love Annie (Wagner) and Ben (Egglesfield) run away from Annie's family farm and elope, but the marriage ends before it can begin when her parents have it immediately annulled. Years later they discover a paperwork glitch that means they're still husband and wife — a big problem since they're both about to marry other people! While the clock ticks away toward their respective weddings, sparks begin to fly as they're forced to re-unite to make their divorce legal.

Wagner, who was host of TV's popular "*Wipeout*" for many years, has had a recurring role on MTV's "*Teen Wolf*" since 2011. She recently filmed the TV movie *Christmas in the Smokies* that tells the story of one family's journey to save their historic berry farm against all odds during one fateful holiday season. It is expected to air this holiday season. She also completed filming of the short film *Athena Girls*.

When not on a film set, Wagner is very active in philanthropic activities that raise money for organizations such as the Human Rights Campaign, Race for the Cure and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Wagner hosts the annual Light the Night Walk/Full Moon Bazaar gala charity fundraiser for the LLS in Los Angeles. "I do the Light the Night walk for LLS every year to raise awareness and help find a cure for ALL blood cancers," Wagner said. "I do this in my cousin's honor as she beat Leukemia due to the amazing research that LLS has been able to accomplish with our donations." Wagner also developed "Jill's Closet for a Cure" (#jillsclosetforacure), an on-line auction to raise money for blood cancer research and awareness, in which Wagner auctions clothing items she has worn on TV and at Hollywood events, as well as clothing designed or personalized by "*Teen Wolf*" fellow cast mates such as Tyler Posey.

