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Each year as the fall television season begins, it is gratifying to take a look at the IMTA alumni who extend their résumés with work on "television." With advances in technology, nowadays "television" or "TV" encompasses more than just the flat screen on the family room wall; it includes smartphones, tablets and PCs. "TV" can be viewed anywhere, anytime on any mobile device. And it is no longer only networks and cable channels producing programming and movies, but streaming services such as Netflix and Hulu have their own line-up of original shows and films. Amazon and YouTube offer original programming and serve as hosts for channels such as PixL and Reelz. YouTube and Vimeo serve as platforms for independent filmmakers and writers to release original series and movies. All of these outlets provide unlimited possibilities for IMTA alumni to appear on "the small screen."

Below are just a few of the IMTA alumni working on network, cable or web series, appearing on returning or new series in regular or recurring roles, announced guest-starring appearances, and lead or supporting roles in TV movies and mini-series. Our apologies for any names missing. IMTA is equally proud of all of the alumni working in the entertainment industry and we try to keep track of as many as we can. Please let us know of castings, guest appearances and other successes of IMTA alums.



IMTA alum Amy Acker stars in the new FOX series "The Gifted," premiering October 2. The action-adventure family drama from Marvel tells the story of a suburban couple whose ordinary lives are rocked by the sudden discovery that their children possess mutant powers. Forced to go on the run from a hostile

government, the family joins up with an underground network of mutants and must fight to survive. Acker also guest stars on the Alan Tudyk/Nathan Fillion comedy "Con Man" which is currently reairing on the SyFy channel.

LA04 Young Adult Actress of the Year JaNae Armogan guest stars on the Canadian crime drama "The Detail," which will begin airing on ION TV in early 2018. The series follows three female homicide detectives solve crimes while also dealing with their personal lives. Armogan will appear in the episode "It Takes a Village" as a fellow police officer. Armogan had a recurring role as a nurse in season three of Hallmark Channel's "Good Witch," which stars Catherine Bell and James Denton, and



was just renewed for a fourth season. She recently filmed the Canadian feature Code 8 with fellow alum Alex Mallari Jr. She came to IMTA with the Fulcher Agency.



Mell Bowser, the LA12 IMTA Young Adult Actor of the Year, co-stars in the Lifetime TV movie Faith Under Fire alongside Toni Braxton. The movie focuses on a teacher and her students fighting to save their school from a deranged killer intent on murdering the students. It is currently scheduled to debut February 15, 2018. Bowser recently filmed the pilot for the series "Indie" and appeared in episodes of "Animal Kingdom" and "Dear White People."

Josh Berresford will guest-star on the FOX network's "Gotham" in the series October 19 episode. "Gotham" tells the story behind Detective James Gordon's rise to prominence in Gotham City in the years before Batman's arrival. Berresford starred in the recently released short film *The Audit*, a political thriller centered on a major Boston bank in the city's financial district that is laundering money for a drug cartel. Berresford came to IMTA with Pro Model & Talent.



Alum Jessica Biel has just completed starring in the USA's limited series "The Sinner, rated the top



new cable series in total viewers and the all-important 18-49 demographic. Centered on a seemingly everyday woman who inexplicably murders a man in broad daylight, the TV adaptation ended with Cora (Biel) being transferred to a secure psychiatric facility after the true extent of her psychological trauma was revealed. Her case will be reviewed every two years with the possibility of release if she is found to no longer be a danger to herself or others. Next up for Biel is the feature *Shock and Awe* that follows

a group of journalists covering George Bush's planned invasion of Iraq in 2003 who are skeptical of the President's claim that Saddam Hussein has "weapons of mass destruction." The film debuts at the Zurich International Film Festival at the end of September.

Logan Browning stars in the Netflix comedy "Dear White People," based on Justin Simien's 2014 film of the same name (which co-starred alum Brittany Curran). Dear White People is set against the backdrop of a predominantly white Ivy League university where racial tensions bubble just below the surface. The satirical series, which returns for season two in 2018, follows a group of Winchester University's students of color as they navigate a diverse landscape of social injustice, cultural bias, political correctness (or lack thereof) and activism in the millennial age.



Alum Tanner Buchanan stars as Leo Kirkman, the President's teenage son, on the ABC hit



"Designated Survivor," which returns for its second season on September 27. The series follows a low-level Cabinet member who becomes President of the United States after a catastrophic attack kills everyone above him in the line of succession. Buchanan has had recurring roles on Nickelodeon's "Game Shakers," ABC Family's "The Fosters" and Disney's "Girl Meets World." Buchanan, who came to IMTA with Starbound, also appears in the Mark Ruffalo-directed Anything that premiered this summer at the Los Angeles International Film Festival.

Brooke Burns co-stars as Maggie in the Gourmet Detective mystery movie series which are in repeat broadcasts on the Hallmark Channel. She assists a culinary whiz who uses his mastery of food, drink and cooking to solve crimes of the culinary world. Burns also appears as the host of "*The Chase*" on the Game Show Network. The five seasons of the popular show re-air regularly.



Junior Miss Actress of the Year (LA02) Kallie Flynn Childress has been a Vocal and Production Assistant on NBC's "*The Voice*" for the past two years. She returns as a Vocal Assistant



for the hit show's 13th season on September 25th. Childress began her career as the star of the feature *Sleepover* alongside fellow IMTA alums Sean Faris and Mika Boorem. Her most recent acting role was in 2016's *Falling* with Paul Sorvino, Josh Helmon and Jennifer Allcott.

Alum Brock Ciarlelli returns as Brad Bottig when the final season of ABC's "The Middle" debuts October 3rd. Ciarlelli has won the Young Artist Award for Best Performance in a TV Series by a Recurring Young Actor a record four times for playing Sue Heck's flamboyant best friend and ex-boyfriend. He can also be seen in the YouTube web series "The Valet," which looks into the life of the employees of the

Royal Lion Valet, where their workday consists of absurd antics, inappropriate behavior and ego clashes.



Brittany Curran will be a cast regular for season three of SyFy's "*The Magician's*" when the hit series returns in 2018. She first appeared in the recurring role of Fen Appleman in season two that ended in April. Curran most recently appeared in recurring roles on NBC's "*Chicago Fire*" and ABC Family's "*Twisted*." She also starred in the horror feature *Captured*.

Australian-born alum Sibylla Deen starred for three season as Nusrat Al Fayeed on the FX series

"Tyrant." She is currently guest-starring in the role of Lucia on TNT's "The Last Ship," now in its fourth season. In the popular drama, the crew of a naval destroyer is forced to confront the reality of a new existence when a pandemic kills off most of the earth's population. The NY09 Female Actor of the Year will next be seen alongside Harvey Keitel, Gabriel Byrne, Jan Uddin and Emily Atack in the feature Lies We Tell, currently scheduled for a February 2, 2018 release. The film follows a



trusted driver who must deal with his dead boss's Muslim mistress as her dark past pulls him into a life-and-death showdown with her notorious gangster cousin and ex-husband.

Anna Diop will star in the upcoming Greg Berlanti written and directed live action series "*Titans*," that will stream exclusively on a DC-branded direct-to-consumer digital service beginning in 2018.



The Titans are a team of young superheroes led by Nightwing (formerly Batman's first Robin) formed to combat evil and other perils. Diop will play Koriand'r/Starfire alongside Benton Thwaites as Dick Grayson/Nightwing, Teagan Croft as Raven, Minka Kelly as Dawn Granger/Dove and Alan Ritchson

as Hank Hall/Hawk. Diop most recently co-starred on "24: Legacy" and OWN's "Greenleaf."

NY97 Male Model of the Year Josh Duhamel is currently filming "Unsolved" for the USA Network. The scripted true-crime anthology series' first season is devoted to "The Murders of

Tupac and The Notorious B.I.G." The series, slated to debut in 2018, follows an investigation by LAPD detective Greg Kading (Duhamel), and the real-life Kading serves as an executive producer on the series after writing the book "Murder Rap: The Untold Story of the Biggie Smalls & Tupac Shakur Murder Investigations." Duhamel is also filming his directing debut, *The Buddy Games*, in which he also



stars alongside Kevin Dillon, Dax Shepard, Olivia Munn, James Roday and Dan Bakkedahl. The comedy follows a group of friends who reunite to play The Buddy Games, a wild assortment of absurd physical and mental challenges. He will also appear in the 2018 feature *Simon vs. The Homo Sapiens Agenda* with fellow alum Miles Heizer.

Alum Jerry Ferrara stars as Joe Proctor in "Power," currently in its fourth season on Starz. "Power"



follows the story of James "Ghost" St. Patrick, a wealthy New York night club owner who has it all, catering for the city's elite and dreaming big, lives a double life as a drug kingpin. The popular series has been renewed for a fifth season to air in 2018. Ferrara recently completed a 4-episode arc on USA's "*The Shooter*." Ferrara, who came to IMTA with Tomorrow Talent, took time out of his busy schedule to marry fellow IMTA alum Breanne Racano this past July.

Lyndsy Fonseca stars in the virtual reality project "Agent Emerson" alongside Tony Dennison. "Agent Emerson" serves as the pilot for the original content VR series "Identity Experience." The story centers on a CIA operative who awakens to find himself part of an experimental government program where subjects are under complete remote control by "The General." He must fight to retake charge of his own actions and escape the high-security facility with the aid of Fonseca's



character, Alex Emerson. Fonseca recently filmed the pilot for SyFy's "The Haunted," in which four siblings reunite following their parents' deaths and try to overcome their fractured relationships while facing the literal ghosts from their past. "The Haunted" is not currently on SyFy's schedule.



Isabella Gomez stars as Elena Alvarez on the Netflix reboot of "One Day at a Time." The re-imagining of the Norman Lear classic centers on the Cuban-American Alvarez family and also stars Rita Moreno, Justina Machado, Marcel Ruiz and Todd Grinnell.. The series' second season will debut in early 2018. Gomez, who came to IMTA with Casting Call, previously appeared on "Modern Family" and had a recurring role on the El Rey Network's drama series "Matador."

Alum Christopher Gorham will star in the upcoming Netflix series "Insatiable," in which a disgraced, dissatisfied civil lawyer-turned-beauty pageant coach takes on a vengeful, bullied teenager as his client and has no idea what he's about to unleash upon the world. The cast also includes Dallas Roberts, Debby Ryan and Alyssa Milano. Netflix picked up "Insatiable" for 13 episodes after the CW passed on the pilot. It is expected to air in early 2018. Gorham recently starred in the indy feature A Boy Called Po, and made his directing debut with We Love You, Sally Carmichael!



IMTA LA14's Child Actor and Most Sought Male Talent Elias Harger will return for the third



season of the Netflix hit "Fuller House" when it debuts September 22. As a continuation of the original "Full House" series, D.J. Fuller is a mother of three boys and is a recent widow. D.J.'s sister Stephanie, her best friend Kimmy and Kimmy's teenage daughter all move in to help raise D.J.'s sons…making the house a lot fuller. In addition to Harger, who came to IMTA with Fogg Management in Denver, the series stars Candace Cameron Bure, Jodie Sweetin, Andrea Barber and Michael

Campion.

Hana Hayes is scheduled to appear in the new Hulu Sci-Fi comedy "Future Man" when it debuts in

November. The series follows Josh Futturman (Josh Hutcherson), a janitor by day and a gamer by night, who is recruited by mysterious visitors to travel through time to prevent the extinction of humanity. Hayes, who came to IMTA with Models Melange, will appear in the feature Insidious: The Last Key, currently scheduled for release January 5, 2018. She will play the young version of parapsychologist Dr. Elise Rainier, who faces her most fearsome and personal haunting yet—in her own family home.



Garrett Hedlund will star in the Steven Soderbergh project *Mosaic* for HBO opposite Sharon Stone, Paul Reubens and Beau Bridges. While the plot is being kept under wraps, the project is described



as a show with an interactive element on an app where the audience can determine the outcome of the story. Soderbergh said the app will be released in November with the series airing in January. Hedlund will also appear in the Netflix drama *Mudbound* with Carey Milligan, Jason Mitchell and Jason Clarke, in which two men return home from World War II to work on a farm in rural Mississippi but struggle with racism and adjusting to life after war. *Mudbound* is scheduled for release November 17.

NY04 Pre-Teen Male Actor and Pre-Teen Male Model of the Year Miles Heizer will return in his role of Alex Standall on "13 Reasons Why" when the controversial Netflix hit debuts season two in 2018. The series follows teenager Clay Jensen in his quest to uncover the story behind his classmate and crush, Hannah, and her decision to end her life. Heizer will next be seen on the big screen in Simon vs. The Homo Sapiens Agenda alongside fellow alum Josh Duhamel. The plot follows a young gay



teen (Nick Robinson) who takes a novel approach to coming out to his classmates. Heizer came to IMTA with Images Model & Talent Agency.

Madison Iseman, IMTA LA13's Junior Miss Actor and Most Sought Female Talent, stars alongside



Billy Ray Cyrus on CMT's "Still the King." The series, which just ended its second season, also stars Joey Lauren Adams, Jon Sewell and Travis Nicholson. As of this week, CMT has not yet announced whether or not the popular show will have a third season. Iseman appears in the big screen remake Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle, out this Christmas.

Ashton Kutcher's Netflix series "The Ranch" is currently in between parts of its second season. Kutcher plays the son of a Colorado rancher who returns home from a semi-pro football career to run the family business. Danny Masterson, Debra Winger and Sam Elliott also star. Kutcher is an Executive Producer of the series and has also written one of the episodes. The series is expected to be renewed for a third season.



NY06 Actor of the Year Michael Patrick Lane stars in an episode of Amazon's "Lore," an anthology series that uncovers the real-life events that spawned our darkest nightmares. In the



episode "Unboxed," Robert Gene Otto is a child without friends. That is, until he receives a doll as a gift. He names the doll after himself, Robert. They become fast friends and soon the boy believes the doll is real. But to everyone else...Robert the Doll is a curse. Lane also appears in the DC Comics fan-produced web series "Nightwing: Escalation" that follows the adventures of Nightwing defending Gotham City in Batman's absence. The series is prepping for its third season in

2018. Lane is currently scheduled to appear in the new Fox medical drama "The Resident" with Melina Kanakaredes and Bruce Greenwood, which is now filming.

Alum Katie LeClerc, who starred for five seasons on the ABC Family's hit "Switched at Birth," stars in Sony's TV movie Party Boat with Jay Mohr, Brett Davern, Sung Kang and Demetrius Bridges. The movie focuses on Max, who is throwing a 25th birthday party for his best friend Kiley. When Max finds out Kiley's boyfriend Greg plans to propose, he embarks on an adventure to win Kiley's heart and throw his greatest party ever. Party Boat is available on Playstation and has just been released on Sony's free streaming network Crackle.





Alum DeVore Ledridge, a finalist for the LA13 Young Miss Model of the Year, currently stars as Amelia Duckworth on Disney's "Bizaardvark," now in its second season. The show centers around two 13 year-old up-and-coming musicians, Paige and Frankie, who write and perform comedic songs about their everyday lives. Ledridge, who came to IMTA with Images Model & Talent Agency, previously appeared on the series "Clique Wars."

Jeremy Luke will have a recurring role on the NBC hit drama "This Is Us," playing Darryl, one of Jack's (Milo Ventimiglia) best friends growing up. Darryl is reportedly "a sweet blue collar kid who

idolizes Jack." Luke can currently be seen in the Netflix series Small Shots, starring alongside Joseph Russo as New York actors on a quest to audition for a Martin Scorsese movie. Ironically, in the series they don't book the Scorsese film. The irony is that both are now filming Martin Scorsese's The Irishman, joining an ensemble that includes Robert De Niro, Al Pacino, Joe Pesci, Harvey Keitel, and Jack Huston. Luke and Russo will be playing the Andretta Brothers, mob associates of the Genovese crime family and alleged hitmen. Luke came to IMTA with Tomorrow Talent.



Alex Mallari Jr., who starred for three seasons as Four on SyFy's "Dark Matter," has been filming "Insomnia" for Starz!, an 8-episode hour-long dramatic action series that also stars Shaun Sipos,



Dylan Everett and Pasha Lychnikoff. It focuses on a game forcing strangers to play with their lives at stake. Twenty contestants must kill or be killed, with all contestants having been injected with a poison—if they fall asleep, they die. Mallari, who came to IMAT with The Fulcher Agency, recently filmed the Canadian Sci-Fi feature *Code* 8 that stars Robbie and Stephen Amell. The story follows a desperate young man possessing special powers clashes with a militarized police force after committing a

petty crime. Fellow alum JaNae Armogan also appears in the film.

NY07 Male Actor and Male Fitness Model of the Year Dustin McKamie is a Visual Effects artist and Digital Compositor on AMC's "The Walking Dead," "Fear the Walking Dead" and HBO's "Game of Thrones." McKamie has also worked as a digital artist on many other series such as "Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.," "Black Sails," "Grace and Frankie," "The Real O'Neals," "Brooklyn Nine-Nine" and "Superstore," among many others. He appeared in front of the camera on "ER," "Cold Case" and "Up All Night." McKamie had a starring role in the 2015 comedy feature Skid.



Adrianne Palicki currently stars in the new Seth MacFarlane live-action Sci-Fi comedy/drama



"Orville" on FOX. The show takes place in the 24th century and "chronicles the exploits of the Orville, a 'not-so-top-of-the-line' ship in Earth's interstellar Fleet." MacFarlane is the Captain of the Orville and Palicki is his First Officer...and ex-wife. The series also stars Penny Johnson Jerald, Scott Grimes, Peter Macon, Halston Sage, J. Lee, Mark Jackson and Chad L. Coleman. Palicki, who came to IMTA with Starbound, most recently starred on "Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D."

Season three of Aaron Paul's Hulu series "*The Path* began filming in June and will air in early 2018. The series follows a man who converts to a controversial religious group then, suffers a crisis

of faith. Paul also continues to voice the character of Todd on the animated Netflix series "Bojack Horseman," a project on which he also serves as an executive producer, now in its fourth season. He recently filmed the thriller Welcome Home with Emily Ratajkowski, in which a couple spend a weekend at a vacation rental home in the Italian countryside in an attempt to repair their relationship, but soon become victims of the homeowner's sinister plans. It will be released in 2018.



Graham Rogers is expected to return as Caleb Haas in the second half of season five on ABC's "Quantico." His character appeared at the end of season four with a storyline hinting of his return.



Rogers currently is playing Smitty, Susan Sarandon's (Samantha Winslow) son on Showtime's "Ray Donovan." Ray Donovan, a professional "fixer" for the rich and famous in LA, can make anyone's problems disappear except those created by his own family. Rogers, who came to IMTA with Main Line Models, also appears on the Netflix series "Atypical" that follows Sam, an 18-year-old on the autism

spectrum, who decides it's time to find a girlfriend, a journey that sets Sam's mom on her own life-changing path as her son seeks more independence. Rogers plays Sam's friend Evan on the show, which has been renewed for a second season.

Brandon Routh returns as Ray Palmer/The Atom in "D.C.'s Legends of Tomorrow" when the series returns for season three on October 10. The hit series focuses on time-traveling rogue Rip Hunter, who has to recruit a rag-tag team of heroes and villains to help prevent an apocalypse that could impact not only Earth, but all of time.

Alum Nikki Schiefelbein continues as a producer and writer for alum Ashton Kutcher's Netflix series "The Ranch." Schiefelbein was also a producer and writer for Amazon TV's Golden Globe-



winning "Mozart in the Jungle," the Will Arnett Netflix series "Flaked," and previously wrote and/or produced series such as "The Client List" and "One Tree Hill."

Alum Sarah Shahi is starring in NBC's "Reverie" in which she plays a former detective

specializing in human behavior who is brought in when the launch of an advanced virtual reality program has dangerous and unintended

consequences. The cast also includes Dennis Haysbert, Jessica Lu, Sendhil Ramamurthy, and Kathryn Morris. Not on the fall schedule, it is expected to be a mid-season replacement in early 2018. Shahi also recently filmed the feature *Hangman* with Al Pacino, Karl Urban and Brittany Snow, in which a homicide



detective teams up with a criminal profiler to catch a serial killer whose crimes are inspired by the children's game Hangman.



Kunal Sharma, who had a recurring role as Sid in last season's "*Prison Break: Sequel*," a re-boot of the hit series that starred Wentworth Miller and Dominic Purcell, will guest star on "*Hawaii 5.0*." He will appear as Koa Rey in the September 29 episode titled "A'ole e 'olelo mai ana ke ahi ua ana ia." Sharma has guest starred on numerous series, including "*Arrested Development*," "*Pretty Little Liars*" and "*Men of a Certain Age*."

Emmy-winner Freddie Smith continues on "Days of Our Lives" as Sonny Kiriakis. He departed the series in 2015 following his Emmy win, returned for a guest stint in the months following his departure, and returned on contract to the show in August of 2016. Prior to joining "Days of Our Lives," Smith had a recurring role on "90210." He co-wrote and directed the 2013 web series "Addicted,"



Riley Smith is set for a major recurring role opposite Lucy Hale in the CW's upcoming dramedy "Life Sentence" When Stella finds out her terminal cancer is cured, she must learn to live with all



the choices she made when deciding to live like she was dying. Smith, who starred as Frank Sullivan on the CW's "Frequency" last season, also is known for his work on HBO's True Detective and the last season of True Blood. After playing Markus King on Nashville, Riley released his self-titled debut country EP in July. His first single "I'm On Fire," is currently charting on top Country

Music sites, and the debut music video is in rotation on CMT and CMT.com

Alum Brenda Song is currently filming the Freeform Christmas movie *Angry Angel* in Toronto with Jason Biggs, Ricky Mabe, Andrew Bachelor and Andy Favreau. The New York City-set film

follows a young woman turned angel, Allison Pyke, who is stuck on Earth and can't seem to ring the right bells in order to pass through those pearly gates into heaven. When the love of her life shows up in New York City, it complicates Pyke's journey as well as frustrates her angel mentor. The not-so-merry situation also turns into an unexpected love triangle with her friend with sometimes benefits. Song was also signed for the CBS pilot "Real Life" alongside Kristen Johnson and Rebecca Rittenhouse. "Real Life" is currently in pre-production. Song starred in last season's "Pure Genius" which was not renewed.



Najarra Townsend co-stars in the first Middle Eastern-produced Sci-Fi TV series, "Medinah," that



premiered at this summer's Comic-Con seeking U.S. distribution. Partly set in a near-future Qatar, the series begins after a rocket, designed to disperse thousands of metric tons of sulfur dioxide into Earth's stratosphere to offset the greenhouse effect that has caused the global warming crisis, inexplicably fails and crashes. In the subsequent aftermath, the international cast of survivors face monsters, nightmares, parallel realities and their own personal demons. In addition to Townsend, "Medinah's" diverse cast includes Academy Award nominee Eric Roberts, sci-fi icon Natasha

Henstridge, Rick Ravanello, Tamoh Penikett and Eyad Hourani.

NY00 Child Actress of the Year Sofia Vassilieva guest stars October 30 on the CW's "Supergirl," the adventures of Superman's cousin in her own superhero career. Vassilieva has previously guest-starred on series such as "Training Day," "Criminal Minds: Beyond Borders," "Notorious" and "Lucifer." She recently filmed the thriller Bad Stepmother with Kristy Swanson. She also filmed the drama Brighton Beach, in which a young doctor faces off against a local crime boss, both operating between the blurry lines of the law in the multi-billion dollar industry of Medicare fraud.



Jill Wagner is currently in season three hosting INSP channel's "Handcrafted America," on which she travels the country seeking out artisans who make products in the traditional way...with their



own two hands. She has just reprised her role as Kate Argent on MTV's "Teen Wolf' for the series' final episodes. She will appear in 2018 in the action flick Braven with Jason Momoa, in which a logger defends his family from a group of dangerous drug runners. Wagner came to IMTA with Barbizon of Raleigh and won LA01 Female Model of the Year.

Alum Elijah Wood returns in the BBC America sci-fi comedy "Dirk Gently," the second season premiering October 14. Based on Douglas Adams' "Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective Agency" novels, the series centers on the titular holistic detective (Barnett) who investigates cases involving the supernatural. Wood plays the character Todd, Dirk Gentley's reluctant sidekick. Wood appears as himself in the upcoming documentary 78/52. The film takes an unprecedented look at the



iconic shower scene in Alfred Hitchcock's Psycho, the "man behind the curtain", and the screen murder that profoundly changed the course of world cinema. 78/52 will be in limited internet release On October 13.