

IMTA ALUMS COMING TO YOUR SMALL SCREEN IN THE 2016-17 SEASON



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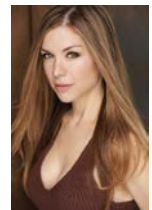
Each year as the fall television season begins, we like to take a look at the list of IMTA alumni who are making their mark on the entertainment business with roles on television. However, these days “television” or “TV” encompasses more than just the flat screen on the family room wall; it includes smartphones, tablets and PCs. Watching “TV” is no longer confined to home, but can be viewed anywhere, anytime on any mobile device. It is not just the networks and cable channels that produce scripted and reality programming and movies, but streaming services such as Netflix and Hulu have their own line-up of 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 will make her first return to the screen following the ending of “*Person of Interest*”—where she has spent the past several years as the enigmatic character Root—as a guest star on the second episode of the CBS re-boot of “*MacGyver*” (starring Lucas Till and George Eads), playing a CIA operative who has been kidnapped by a notorious arms dealer. Acker will also reappear as a guest star on the Alan Tudyk/Nathan Fillion comedy “*Con Man*” on Vimeo when the series returns for season 2 after the first of the year. She recently filmed the independent feature comedy *When Jack Went Glamping*, alongside David Arquette, June Squibb and Adan Canto, that is now in post-production.

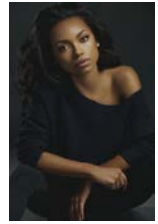
Alum Whitney Anderson co-stars in the PixL Channel family movie *Advance & Retreat* together with C. Thomas Howell, Riley Voelkel, Bailey Anne Borders and Brandon W. Jones. The movie, which is in post-production, follows an ambitious executive who reconnects with an old flame at a corporate retreat. Anderson has a recurring role on the Steve Sabo/J. Anthony McCarthy web series “*The Wise Guys*,” and has appeared on prime-time series such as “*Bones*,” “*Dexter*” and “*Rizzoli & Isles*.” She recently starred in the short comedy *Boulevard of Unspoken Dreams* and co-stars in the yet to be released independent thriller *Negative*, alongside Sebastian Roché, Katia Winter and Josh Randall.



Mell Bowser, the LA12 IMTA Young Adult Actor of the Year, is one of the stars of the Indiegogo-funded original web series “*Bellman Chronicles: Hollywood*,” a workplace comedy that follows bell staff at a boutique Hollywood hotel as their efforts to overcome the absurdity and oddity of their daily lives are intertwined with that of some

disturbed Hollywood elite and other eccentric highbrow clientele. Bowser has a recurring role on the OWN series *"The Have and the Have Nots"* and will return in his role of Thug in the Tyler Perry drama when season 4 begins in January. In 2017 he is scheduled to film the feature thriller *A Family's Fury* with Tom Sizemore.

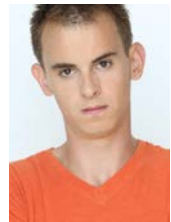
Logan Browning, last seen in *"Powers"* on Sony's PlayStation Network and VH1's *"Hit the Floor,"* will star in the Netflix 2017 comedy *"Dear White People,"* based on Justin Simien's 2014 film of the same name (which co-starred alum Brittany Curran). Browning, who came to IMTA from Atlanta, will play Samantha White, the biracial student at Winchester whose *"Dear White People"* radio show and *"Ebony and Ivy"* book put her in high demand for a spokesperson position at a number of black student groups. The trouble is, Sam is still figuring out how to speak for herself.



Australian-born alum Sibylla Deen has been co-starring as Nusrat Al Fayed on the FX series *"Tyrant,"* currently in season 3. The drama follows the story of an unassuming American family that's drawn into the inner workings of a turbulent Middle Eastern nation. No announcement has been made as to whether or not *"Tyrant"* will return for another season, but the Emmy-nominated, critically acclaimed show is expected to be renewed. Deen recently filmed the romance thriller *Lies We Tell*, in which a trusted driver must deal with his dead boss's Muslim mistress, her dark past pulling him into a life-and-death showdown with her notorious gangster cousin/ex-husband. She stars alongside Harvey Keitel, Gabriel Byrne, Jan Uddin and Emily Ateak. Scheduled for a 2017 release is *Desolate*, which stars Deen alongside Callan Mulvey, Juston Street, Tyson Ritter and James Russo. It follows a family of farmers living in a dystopian future during a severe drought that is troubled by a menacing stranger who won't let anything stand in the way.



LA08 alum Brendon Eggertson has co-starred on series such as *"Shameless"* and *"The Mentalist,"* but his recent work has allowed him to pursue his passion for stunt work on independent films such as *Broken Angel*, *Viral* and *Maximum Ride*. Eggertson is currently doing stunt work on AMC's series *"Fear the Walking Dead,"* now in its second season. He will also be working stunts on the upcoming independent drama *Homesick*.



Alum Sean Faris stars in the PixL family TV movie *The Jones Unplugged* with Mischa Barton, BJ Mitchell, Markie Post and David Ogden Stiers. The movie is in post-production with no air date yet announced. Faris most recently appeared alongside Shanae Grimes-Beech and John Schneider in the 2016 Hallmark Channel movie *Sandra Brown's White Hot* as attorney Beck Merchant helping a beautiful young interior designer bring her brother's killer to justice. Faris stars in the upcoming feature *Female Fight Club*, directed by Miguel Ferrer, also starring Amy Johnston, Courtney Palm, Rey Goyos and Dolph Lundgren.



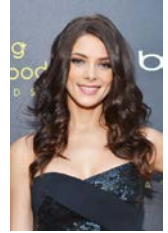
Jerry Ferrara, recently engaged to fellow IMTA alum Breanne Racano, appears in the recurring role of Joe Proctor on the Starz series *"Power."* The drama stars Omari Hardwick as James "Ghost" St. Patrick, a wealthy New York night club owner who has it all, catering for the city's elite and dreaming big, while living a double life as a drug kingpin. Ferrara, who came to IMTA with Tomorrow Talent in New York, has a supporting role in Clint Eastwood's upcoming *Sully*, the story of Chesley Sullenberger, who became a hero after gliding his plane along the water in the Hudson River, saving all of the airplane flight's 155 crew and passengers. *Sully* also features fellow IMTA and Tomorrow Talent alum Jeremy Luke.



Lyndsy Fonseca, most recently seen in a recurring role on “*Marvel’s Agent Carter*,” stars in the comedy “*RePlay*,” a TV series currently streaming on Verizon’s go90. In it, she plays Allison Lee, an aspiring DJ who throws a warehouse party to celebrate her birthday, attracting the attention of some club promoters. When the party falls apart, Allison wishes for a do-over and she gets one...and another...and another as she continues to wake up and relive the day over and over again until she can get it right. As she aims to achieve her perfect day, Allison must face the hard reality that sometimes you can't have it all. Fonseca is currently filming the sci-fi feature *Curvature* with Linda Hamilton, Glen Morshower and Noah Bean.



Alum Ashley Greene co-stars on the Audience Network’s crime drama “*Rogue*” that begins its 4th and final season in the spring of 2017. Also starring Cole Hauser, Thandie Newton, Sarah Jeffrey and Richard Schiff, the series follows a morally and emotionally-conflicted undercover detective who is tormented by the possibility that her own actions contributed to her son’s mysterious death. Greene recently appeared in the thriller *Urge* opposite Pierce Brosnan, and she will next be seen in the drama *In Dubious Battle* alongside James Franco, Selena Gomez, Robert Duvall, Vincent D’Onofrio and Josh Hutcherson. Franco directed and stars as an activist who gets caught up in the labor movement for farm workers in California during the 1930s.



Burt Grinstead, the NY10 Male Actor and Fitness Model of the Year, starred in the comedy web series “*Burt Paxton: Private Detective*” as the title character. He also co-starred in “*Dropping the Soap*” with Jane Lynch, Paul Whitten and Kate Mines. He stars in the TV movie *Written By* with Lu Louis and Arielle Wyatt, a comedy in which a writing couple’s first studio film is a box office success, but they are not given the credit they deserve, so they must decide to hold out for a big break, or take the less illustrious path of becoming ghost writers. In addition, Grinstead has a lead role in the upcoming Roger Corman action flick *Death Race 2050*, a reboot of the original *Death Race 2000*. The film from Universal 1440 Entertainment also stars Malcolm McDowell, Manu Bennett and Marci Miller, and will be available exclusively on Blu-ray, DVD, and Digital HD later this year.



IMTA LA14’s Child Actor and Most Sought Male Talent Elias Harger will return for the second season of the Netflix hit “*Fuller House*.” 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 a rare move that showed confidence in the series, Netflix ordered a second season just a few days after the first season premiered. 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.



Alum Chelsea Harris co-stars in the 2017 PixL romantic comedy *Once Upon a Date* alongside Katrina Bowden, Francia Raisa, James Callas and Dean Geyer. The story follows a struggling family-owned theatre at risk of being forced out of business by a greedy real estate developer. A young man undertakes the task of convincing the owner to sell the theatre to him by auditioning for the role of Prince Charming in the theatre’s upcoming production, “*Once Upon a Date*.” Harris appeared this past summer in two episodes of ABC Family’s “*Baby Daddy*.” She previously had a recurring role on the CBS series “*Stalker*,” and has guest-starred on numerous prime-time shows, including “*Modern Family*,” “*NCIS*” and “*Grey’s Anatomy*.”



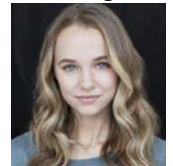
Garrett Hedlund will star in the 2017 Steven Soderbergh TV movie *Mosaic* on HBO opposite Sharon Stone, Paul Reubens and Beau Bridges. While the plot is being kept under wraps, the project is described as a show with an interactive element where the audience can determine the outcome of the story. Hedlund will next be seen in Ang Lee's *Billy Flynn's Long Halftime Walk*, which hits theatres on Veterans Day, November 11, alongside Kristen Stewart, Vin Diesel and Steve Martin. In the war drama, 19-year-old Billy Flynn is brought home for a victory tour after a harrowing Iraq battle. Through flashbacks the film shows what really happened to his squad and contrasts the realities of war with America's perceptions. Hedlund recently completed filming the 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.



Alum Katie Holmes will reprise her role of Jackie Kennedy on the mini-series *The Kennedys After Camelot*, scheduled for airing in the spring of 2017. The series portrays the life of the former First Lady in the aftermath of the assassination of her husband, President John Fitzgerald Kennedy. Holmes had a recurring role as Paige Finney last season on Showtime's critically acclaimed "*Ray Donovan*." She recently completed filming *A Happening of Monumental Proportions* with Allison Janney, Anders Holm and Common. Directed by Judy Greer, the 2017 comedy looks at one day in the life of a group of students in an LA school who suddenly find themselves caught up in a plot of sex, lies and dead bodies. Holmes also filmed *Coup D'Etat* with Michael Caine, Odeya Rush, Seth Green and Jason Biggs, in which she plays the mother of a rebellious girl who writes a dictator in another country for a homework assignment. When the dictator gets overthrown by his country, he ends up on the girl's door step in America.



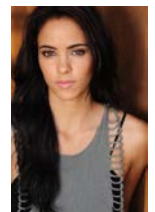
Madison Iseman, IMTA LA13's Junior Miss Actor and Most Sought Female Talent, stars alongside Billy Ray Cyrus on CMT's "*Still the King*." The series, which will kick off its second season in the spring of 2017, also stars Joey Lauren Adams, Jon Sewell and Travis Nicholson. Iseman recently completed the TV movie *I Know Where Lizzie Is*, currently in post-production. She also filmed *Liza, Liza, Skies Are Grey*, scheduled for a February 2017 release. It is described as a coming-of-age California motorcycle road trip set in the 60's, combining elements of "Romeo & Juliet" and "The Odyssey".



Alum Brad James, NY07's Male Actor of the Year 1st Runner Up, returns as Todd in late September in the second half of season five in OWN network's comedy/drama series "*For Better or Worse*." He also will appear in the BET network's 2017 3-night TV mini-series *New Edition: The Movie* that chronicles the ups and downs of legendary music group New Edition. James stars in the comedy/drama movie *The Other Side*, currently in post-production, and the upcoming holiday movie *For the Love of Christmas*.



LA13 Fitness Model of the Year Vivian Jovanni currently appears as Ciara Brady on the long-running daytime drama "*Days of Our Lives*," a role for which she received a pre-nomination nod for Daytime Emmy Supporting Actress. The actress, who came to IMTA with Neal Hamil Centre in Houston, recently filmed *The Madness Within* alongside Katie Cleary, Edin Gali and Tess Kartel.



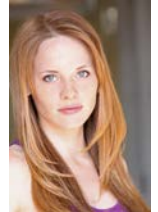
Ashton Kutcher's Netflix series "*The Ranch*" returns for a second season in early 2017. Kutcher plays the son of a Colorado rancher who returns home from a semi-pro football career to run the family business. Danny Masterson, Debra Winger and Sam Elliott also star. Currently in post-production is the feature *The Long Home*,

directed by and starring James Franco, along with Kutcher, Josh Hutcherson, Josh Hartnett, Giancarlo Esposito and Courtney Love. The 2017 feature follows a young contractor who is hired to build a honky-tonk in Tennessee by the man who killed his father.



Alum Sam Lant currently has a recurring role as Colton on the YouTube series “*Astrid Clover*,” a comedy that follows a vlogger and her clueless friends. The NY06 Pre-Teen Actor of the Year, who has appeared on series such as “*Last Man Standing*,” “*Modern Family*” and “*Wizards of Waverly Place*,” also has a featured role in the web series “*Late Bloomers: The Chloe & Sage Chronicles*” that is scheduled to begin airing in December. Lant will be seen in a lead role in the independent feature *Broken Angels* about two teens, both dealing with a harsh home life, who find solace in friendship. Fellow alum Brendon Eggertson also has a small role in the film. And Lant also recently filmed the comedy *Mr. Invincible* alongside fellow alum Alyson Stoner, Jordan Ray Fox, Emilia Zoryan and Bill Engvall.

Katie LeClerc currently stars on ABC Family’s hit “*Switched at Birth*,” which returns for its fifth and final season on January 24, 2017. The show’s return will come after a lengthy hiatus — the last new installment aired on Oct. 26, 2015. The 10-episode farewell season will feature the drama’s milestone 100th episode and conclude with a special 90-minute series finale. During “*Switched at Birth*’s” hiatus, LeClerc filmed the independent drama *Stars Are Already Dead* with Lea Thompson and Ben Beaune. She is also an associate producer of the film, which is in post-production. In addition, LeClerc filmed the romantic comedy TV movie *Holiday Breakup* with Manon Mathews and Shawn Roe.



Alum DeVore Ledridge, who came to IMTA with Images Model & Talent Agency in Lexington, KY, currently stars as Amelia Duckworth on Disney’s “*Bizaardvark*,” now in its first 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, a finalist for the LA13 Young Miss Model of the Year, previously appeared on the series “*Clique Wars*.”

Eva Longoria will appear on the BBC Two series “*Decline and Fall*,” a three-part comedy satire adapted from Evelyn Waugh’s novel. She will play the Honorable Mrs. Margot Beste-Chetwynde, the mother of a student at an obscure public school in Wales, who becomes the object of affection of a young teacher at the school. The cast also includes David Suchet, Jack Whitehall and Douglas Hodge. The series is tentatively scheduled to air later this fall. It was also recently announced that Longoria will direct an episode during season three of the CW’s popular “*Jane the Virgin*,” while “*Devious Maids*,” the Lifetime channel hit executive produced by Longoria, is expected to be renewed for a fifth season. Longoria stars in the feature *Lowriders* that was recently screened at the Los Angeles Film Festival. The film, which also stars Melissa Benoist and Tony Revelori, takes a look at the lives of enthusiasts of the re-emerging low-riding culture in Southern California's Latino communities. Distributors are aiming for an early 2017 release.



Wayne Lopez, NY00 Male Talent of the Year from Tomorrow Talent in New York, has appeared in over 50 different TV series, including “*Parenthood*” (which starred alum Miles Heizer), “*Grey’s Anatomy*,” “*Brooklyn Nine-Nine*” and “*NCIS: Los Angeles*.” Lopez currently is in the recurring role of Juan Carlos Ortega on USA Network’s “*Queen of the South*.” He has appeared in the feature films *GI Joe: The Rise of Cobra* and *The Soloist*.

Another Tomorrow Talent alum who also attended the 2000 New York IMTA — and won Male Model of the Year — was Kyle Lowder, who starred for many years as Brady Black on the daytime drama “*Days of Our Lives*,” followed by over 400 episodes as Rick Forrester on “*The Bold and the Beautiful*.” Lowder is currently filming the TV mini-series *Ladies of the Lake* based on the novel by Ken Corday. The series centers around murders surrounding the rich and powerful women of the Avalon gated community and stars Martha Madison, Lilly Melgar, Marie Wilson and Jessica Morris. Lowder, who is also an executive producer of the series, is in the role of Detective Shawn Daniels.



NY14 alum Kaelyn Martinez is currently filming the new Nickelodeon series “*Sunny Day*.” The animated preschool series follows Sunny, the best hairstylist in her town and a natural leader who believes that every problem can be solved with determination and a little creativity. Martinez, who came to IMTA with Gage Talent in Knoxville, is signed with MMG – Model Management Group.

Wes McGee is currently filming a recurring role as Sgt. Derkin on “*Shots Fired*,” an FX mid-season series set to air in January. “*Shots Fired*” revolves around the fallout in a small North Carolina town from two police shootings, one by a white cop and one by a black cop. Sanaa Lathan stars as a special prosecutor appointed by the Justice Department to investigate both cases. The series also stars Helen Hunt, Richard Dreyfuss, Stephen Moyer, Stephen James, Aisha Hands and Tristan Wilds. McGee has appeared on numerous series such as “*2 Broke Girls*,” “*Devious Maids*” and “*NCIS*.” He stars and is a producer on the upcoming independent drama *Last Goodbye* that completed filming in June. He also starred in the 2015 horror flick *Excess Flesh* and was featured in Steven Spielberg’s *Bridge of Spies*.



Kate Orsini recently filmed the PixL TV movie *A Moving Romance* that is in post-production. The Tomorrow Talent alum has appeared in recurring roles on “*Nashville*,” “*The Bold and the Beautiful*” and “*General Hospital*,” and guest starred on numerous series including “*Criminal Minds*,” “*Bones*,” “*90210*” and “*Monk*.” Orsini is currently filming the independent *King Saud*, a Hollywood murder mystery involving high end prostitution and Middle Eastern terrorism.

Fans of alum Adrienne Palicki have their fingers crossed that agent Bobbi Morse will return to “*Marvel’s Agents of Shield*” in the upcoming season. Palicki and fellow actor Nick Blood, who played Lance Hunter, had been written out of the series in an episode near the end of last season in order to star in “*Marvel’s Most Wanted*,” a spin-off that was ultimately not picked up. Blood hinted in a recent interview that the writers and producers of “*Agents of Shield*” were keeping their options open for the popular characters, saying “I think they were quite conscious of that. When they wrote that episode, they didn’t want to kill us off; they wanted to leave that door open.” However, Palicki definitely will appear in the new Seth MacFarlane live-action sci-fi comedy/drama “*Orville*” in the 2017-18 season. The show, which was been ordered straight to series, will take 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.” Palicki will star opposite MacFarlane, who is portraying the Captain of the *Orville*, and Scott Grimes.



Aaron Paul’s Hulu series “*The Path*” will return for a second season in early 2017. 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. His latest project is “*Blackmail*,” a one-hour drama script that has just been sold to NBC through Universal Television. The potential



series will follow a young married couple who after suffering a life-changing accident, decide to get back at the man responsible by threatening to reveal his infidelity to his fiancée. But when things turn out to be more sinister than the couple originally thought, a dark game of cat-and-mouse sets them on the path to knowing what it means to be a real-life power couple. Paul's 2014 action flick *Need for Speed* has its network television premiere September 10.

Alum Zach Roerig returns as Matt Donovan for the eighth and final season of the CW hit "*The Vampire Diaries*" on October 21. He recently filmed the Lea Thompson independent comedy *The Year of Spectacular Men*, currently in post-production, and will next be seen in the horror flick *Rings* that hits theatres October 28. Like many other alums, Roerig established himself with roles on daytime drama, including "*The Guiding Light*," "*As the World Turns*" and "*One Life to Live*." He also has appeared on other prime time series such as "*Law & Order*" and "*Reba*," and had a recurring role on "*Friday Night Lights*."



Graham Rogers continues as Caleb Haas in ABC's "*Quantico*" when the hit series returns September 25. The show follows the lives of young FBI recruits training at the Quantico base in Virginia where one of them is suspected of being a sleeper terrorist. Rogers, who came to IMTA with Main Line Models in Media, PA — and was a finalist for the NY09 Male Model of the Year — recently filmed the sport drama *Life at These Speeds*, in which he stars as a teenager whose friends die in an accident, so he uses running as a means of remembering them. Running, however, brings him notoriety and he ends up caught between keeping the past alive and making new memories in the present.



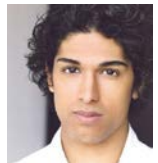
Brandon Routh returns as Ray Palmer/The Atom in "*D.C.'s Legends of Tomorrow*" when the series returns for season two on October 13. The hit series focuses on time-traveling rogue Rip Hunter, who has to recruit a rag-tag team of heroes and villains to help prevent an apocalypse that could impact not only Earth, but all of time. Routh currently stars in the 3-D Chinese sci-fi adventure film *Lost in the Pacific* that sees a luxury airline flight get into difficulties over the ocean. The predominately English-language film, that also stars Chinese actress Zhang Yuqi, has been showing in Asian markets but has not yet received a US release date.



Alum Nikki Schiefelbein continues as a producer and writer for alum Ashton Kutcher's Netflix series "*The Ranch*." Schiefelbein, who came to IMTA with The Rock Agency in Madison, WI is also a producer and writer for Amazon TV's Golden Globe-winning "*Mozart in the Jungle*" that returns for season three in December. She is a writer for the Will Arnett Netflix series "*Flaked*" that will return for a second season in 2017, and previously wrote and/or produced series such as "*The Client List*" and "*One Tree Hill*."



Kunal Sharma has a recurring role as Sid in the upcoming "*Prison Break: Sequel*," a re-boot of the hit series that stars Wentworth Miller and Dominic Purcell. The new series takes place seven years after the original when Lincoln (Purcell) discovers that Michael (Miller) is alive and being held in a prison in Yemen, so he develops a plan to get him out. Sid is described as "artsy, wired – and in prison. Hiss offense, despite what his docket says, is solely being gay." Sharma has guest starred on numerous series, including "*Arrested Development*," "*Pretty Little Liars*" and "*Men of a Certain Age*." Most recently, he co-starred in the award-winning feature *Miss India America* that was released earlier this year.



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 this past July. Prior to joining “*Days of Our Lives*,” Smith had a recurring role on “*90210*.” He co-starred, wrote, directed and produced the 2015 horror feature *Hiker* about a group of college students on a hike who are kidnapped and must fight for their lives.

Alum Riley Smith stars in the new CW series “*Frequency*,” an adaptation of the 2000 movie of the same name. A police detective in 2016 discovers that she is able to speak via a ham radio with her estranged father, Frank Sullivan, a detective who died in 1996. The two must work together to change the history of tragic events that are yet to come for him, but have already occurred for her, while also working to heal their complicated relationship. Devin Kelley, Daniel Bonjour and Lenny Jacobson also star. The series debuts October 5. Smith most recently had a recurring role on “*Nashville*” as Markus Keen. In addition, he filmed a pilot for Fox based on “*Urban Cowboy*,” the 1980 feature that starred John Travolta and Debra Winger, but the series was not picked up.



Brenda Song stars in the new CBS drama “*Pure Genius*” with Dermot Mulroney, Odette Annabelle, Reshma Shetty, Ward Horton, Aaron Jennings and Augustus Prew. Premiering October 27, “*Pure Genius*” tells the story of a cutting-edge Silicon Valley hospital that treats the most rare and insurmountable medical cases. On the show, which was originally titled “*Bunker Hill*,” a tech titan enlists a veteran surgeon with a controversial past to oversee this fresh approach to medicine. Song began her career as a star on Disney’s “*The Suite Life of Zach & Cody*” and “*Suite Life on Deck*.” She guest-starred on CBS’ “*Life in Pieces*” earlier this year, had recurring roles on “*Scandal*” and “*New Girl*,” and starred as Veronica in the FX series “*Dads*” in the 2013-14 season.



Tanner Stine, who came to IMTA with The Peak Agency in Des Moines, currently is in the recurring role of Oyster on Nickelodeon’s “*The Thundermans*.” The series, now in season three and renewed for season four in 2017, follows teenage twins, Max and Phoebe, and their family who have superpowers. Stine, who was the IMTA LA13 Junior Model and Junior Talent of the Year — as well as the Most Sought Male Talent 1st Runner Up — also has a recurring role on Kickstarter’s “*Adopted: The Series*,” that just began streaming its second season. The series is a dramedy about a couple that try to adopt a 16-month old baby, but get a 16-year old teenager instead.



Olivia Stuck currently stars as Dawn Buckets on Disney XD’s animated/live action series “*Kirby Buckets*.” On the show, which is now in season two and has been renewed for a third season, young Kirby Buckets dreams of becoming a famous animator like his idol Mac MacCallister. Kirby sees his drawings take shape as he and his best friends, Fish and Eli, go on outrageous and unpredictable adventures. Stuck, who came to IMTA with Starbound Talent in Toledo, has previously appeared on series such as “*Girl Meets World*,” “*CSI: NY*” and “*Good Luck Charlie*.” She also had a lead role in the 2015 feature *The Outfield*.



Alum Jeremy Sumpter recently filmed the PixL family movie *Sisters of the Groom*, together with Malese Jow, Savannah Davis and Annie Tedesco. The movie is currently in post-production with a late 2016 anticipated airing. Sumpter stars in the recently released feature *Billionaire Ransom*, a thriller that follows a group of rebellious rich kids at a tough-love wilderness who must grow up and learn to survive when the camp is invaded by mercenaries who hold the group hostage. Sumpter next will film *The Unbroken* with Booboo Stewart. Set in the Arizona Territory in 1863, a loner goes up against a gang of outlaws led by his father in order to save his mail-order bride.



Chuti Tiu co-stars alongside Steve Silkotch, Wolfgang Bodison and Angela Daun in the internet series “*Tucker’s War*,” scheduled to debut in January. Set in 1920 when Prohibition is the law of the land, the Great World War has ended and the Wild West has vanished...but someone forgot to tell Tucker Hicks. The series has been selected to screen at the Idyllwild International Festival of Cinema on January 6. Tiu had a recurring arc on “*Nashville*” as Tara Ashton and has also guest-starred on series such as “*Rizzoli & Isles*,” “*Chasing Life*” and “*Raising Hope*.”



Spencer Tomich had a guest-star appearance in the second season of “*Nicky, Ricky, Dicky & Dawn*,” Nickelodeon’s comedy about sibling rivalry among quadruplets. He is set to recur in his role as Trey when the series returns later this year for season three. Earlier this year, Tomich appeared in the thriller *American Fable* as the younger version of actor Richard Schiff’s character. He also filmed the ABC Family pilot for the proposed series “*Gorgeous Morons*,” but the series was not picked up. Tomich, who came to IMTA from Markson Dawe Talent in Milwaukee, was the LA14 Male Pre-Teen Actor of the Year and a finalist for Most Sought Male Talent.



Jill Wagner will return in October for season two of INSP channel’s “*Handcrafted America*,” on which Wagner travels the country seeking out artisans who make products in the traditional way...with their own two hands. She will also reprise her role as Kate Argent on MTV’s “*Teen Wolf*” for at least one episode during the series’ upcoming sixth season. She recently filmed the holiday romantic TV movie *Christmas Cookies*, scheduled to air later this year, the 2017 action flick *Braven* with Jason Momoa, and the comedy *Mean Girls: Athena Girls*, tentatively scheduled to be in theatres September 22. Wagner came to IMTA with Barbizon of Raleigh and won LA01 Female Model of the Year.



Alum Elijah Wood stars opposite Samuel Barnett in the BBC America sci-fi comedy “*Dirk Gently*,” premiering October 22. 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 will play the character Todd. Wood’s last TV series was the FX comedy “*Wilfred*” with Jason Gann that ran for four seasons. Wood was seen most recently alongside Nicholas Cage in the crime thriller *The Trust* as a pair of cops investigating a drug invasion who stumble upon a mysterious vault.

