



2018-19 SEASON PREVIEW OF IMTA ALUMS ON THE SMALL SCREEN

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Each fall as a new television season begins, it is gratifying to note the IMTA alumni who add to their résumés with work on “television.” In the 21st Century, “television” is not just a “smart” TV, but any portable device or computer with internet access. Networks and cable channels produce their own line-up of original shows and films, as do streaming services such as Netflix, Amazon and Hulu...and soon, Apple TV. YouTube and Vimeo serve as platforms for independent filmmakers and writers to release original series and films. All of these outlets provide unlimited—and ongoing—possibilities for IMTA alumni to appear on “the small screen” by making their full catalog of shows, new and old, available on-line so that they may be viewed year-round, 24-7.

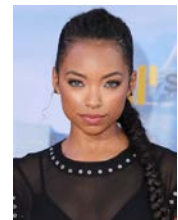
Below are just a few of the IMTA alumni working on network, cable or web series, appearing on returning or new series in regular or recurring roles, announced guest-starring appearances, and lead or supporting roles in TV movies and mini-series. Our apologies for any names missing. IMTA is equally proud 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 returns for the second season of the FOX series “*The Gifted*” on September 25. 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 served as Executive Producer on the recently released short musical film, *The Way It Begins*, in which two strangers cross paths on a train, end up spending the day together, dancing through the beautiful city of New York and taking one step closer to finding love.



NY13 alum Duncan Anderson appears in the new Hulu comedy “*Pen 15*,” the comedic story of middle school seen through the eyes of two 7th grade girls dealing with the awkwardness of being a teenager. Coming to IMTA with Pro Model & Talent Management, Anderson guest stars as Scottie Field in the second episode, currently scheduled for a February release.

Logan Browning also returns later this year for season three as the star of the Netflix comedy “*Dear White People*,” based on Justin Simien’s 2014 film of the same name (which co-starred alum Brittany Curran). The series 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. Browning also returns as an occasional guest star as Jalena Howard in “*Hit The Floor*,” the popular series about the L.A. Devils Girls dance team, which has moved from VH1 to BET after a 27-month hiatus.



Another alum returning to an established series is Brittany Curran, who will take up her role of Fen Appleman in season four of SyFy’s “*The Magician’s*” when the hit series returns in early 2019. She



also stars in the dystopian drama “*FraXtur*” alongside a cast that includes Denise Richards, Karl Yune and Max Adler, among others. The series, which filmed in Los Angeles in the Spring of 2018 and is currently in post-production, follows a group of misfit teens who stumble into a post-apocalyptic wasteland. Producers are looking for an early 2019 release.

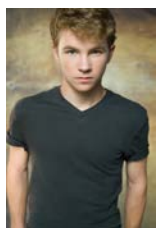
LA17 alum Celine Dela Montanye from Seattle Talent appears in the first episode, “Green Means Go,” of the new Jim Carrey/Showtime collaboration “*Kidding*,” a comedy/drama in which Carrey plays Jeff, a famous children's television icon, who struggles to retain his sanity as his family falls apart. The episode begins regular airings September 9. Dela Montanye appeared earlier this year as a child panelist on the Netflix series, “*A Little Help with Carol Burnett*,” a talk-show where—with some help from Carol Burnett—kids dish out advice to celebrities and everyday people alike in front of a live audience.



Anna Diop stars 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 October 12. 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 is currently filming Jordan Peele's “social thriller” *Us*, alongside Lupita Nyong'o, Elizabeth Moss and Winston Drake. The plot is being kept under wraps for the Universal feature, currently scheduled for a March 15, 2019 release.

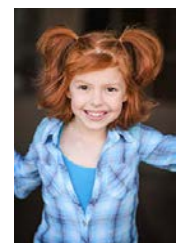


Alum Josh Duhamel can currently be seen as the leader of the Resistance in the Taco Bell “*Web of Fries II – Franchise Wars*” short video on network TV. The tongue-in-cheek plot declares the return of Nacho Fries, which once again threatens to upend the “Big Fries” monopoly, setting the stage for an epic showdown between “The Burger People” and a growing resistance of Nacho Fries loyalists...with the future of fries hanging in the balance. Duhamel is in post-production on 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. Duhamel recently co-starred in the award-winning feature *Love, Simon* with fellow alum Miles Heizer.



LA13 alum Justin Ellings currently works as the stunt double for “*The Goldbergs*” series star Sean Giambrone. Ellings has also done stuntwork on “*The Middle*” and starred as the teenage Corey Haim in the 2018 Lifetime TV movie, “*A Tale of Two Coreys*.” He came to IMTA with Markson Dawe Talent in Milwaukee and was 1st Runner Up for Male Pre-Teen Actor and 2nd Runner Up for Most Sought Male Talent. Season six of “*The Goldbergs*” begins airing September 26

Pro Model & Talent's Chloe Ernsberger appears in two new episodes of Hulu's “*Future Man*,” the high-concept comedy from Seth Rogan and Evan Goldberg that centers on Josh Futterman (Josh Hutcherson), a janitor by day/world-ranked gamer by night, who is tasked with preventing the extinction of humans after mysterious visitors from the future proclaim him the key to defeating the imminent super-race invasion. The second season of “*Future Man*” is scheduled to begin airing November 14. LA17 alum Ernsberger appeared earlier this year in an episode of the Disney/ABC series “*Legion*.”





Alum Jerry Ferrara stars as Joe Proctor in the Starz! hit “*Power*,” which is getting ready to wrap up its fifth season. The crime drama follows the story of James “Ghost” St. Patrick, a wealthy New York night club owner who lives a double life as a drug kingpin. The series has already been renewed for a sixth season that will air in 2019. Ferrara recently completed a 4-episode arc on USA’s “*The Shooter*.” Ferrara is married to fellow IMTA alum Breanne Racano.

Isabella Gomez currently stars as Elena Alvarez on the Netflix reboot of “*One Day at a Time*,” which follows three generations of the same Cuban-American family living in the same house: a newly divorced former military mother, her teenage daughter and tween son, and her old-school mother. The award-winning show also stars Rita Moreno, Justina Machado, Marcel Ruiz and Todd Grinnell. The series’ third season will debut in early 2019. Gomez, who came to NY13 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 stars in the “love it or hate it” 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 has not yet announced if the series will be renewed, but season one is streaming now. Gorham recently voiced The Flash in DC Entertainment’s animated *The Death of Superman*. He also reprised his 2001 role of John Groburg for the feature sequel *The Other Side of Heaven 2: Fire of Faith*, currently scheduled for release in the spring of 2019.



IMTA LA14’s Child Actor and Most Sought Male Talent Elias Harger returns for the fourth season of the Netflix hit “*Fuller House*” when it debuts this fall. 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, the series stars Candace Cameron Bure, Jodie Sweetin, Andrea Barber and Michael Campion.



When the Netflix highly-rated but controversial series “*13 Reasons Why*” returns for its third season in early 2019, alum Miles Heizer also returns to reprise his role of Alex Standall. 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 recently co-starred in the feature *Love, Simon* alongside fellow alum Josh Duhamel. Heizer, NY04 Pre-Teen Male Actor and Pre-Teen Male Model of the Year, came to IMTA with Images Model & Talent Agency.

NY10 Young Adult Actor of the Year—and fellow Images Model & Talent Agency alum—Joseph David-Jones appears in an episode of the new series “*Medal of Honor*,” a hybrid docu/live-action anthology series that portrays stories of personal sacrifice that resulted in the highest military distinction: the Medal of Honor. David-Jones is in the role of Jonesy in the episode titled “Edward Carter.” Carter was a United States Army staff sergeant and a recipient of the decoration for valor for his heroic actions in Germany on 23 March 1945, during World War II. The series is expected to debut in early 2019.

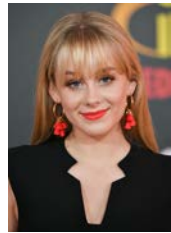


Ashton Kutcher’s Netflix series “*The Ranch*” is currently in between parts of its third season. Kutcher plays the son of a Colorado rancher who returns home from a semi-pro football career to



run the family business. Danny Masterson, Debra Winger and Sam Elliott also star. Kutcher is an Executive Producer of the series. He also executive produces the YouTube series “*My Houzz*” in which celebrities are followed during major home renovations.

NY06 Pre-Teen Actor of the Year Sam Lant is in the recurring character of Colton on the YouTube series “*Astrid Clover*,” now in its sixth season. With no job and no plan for her future, other than to post videos and drink lattes, teen vlogger Astrid Clover and her clueless millennial friends report on news that's so underground you'll need a shovel. Lant has appeared on series such as “*Last Man Standing*,” “*Modern Family*” and “*Wizards of Waverly Place*.”



Yet another IMTA and Images Model & Talent Agency alum is DeVore Ledridge, who stars as Amelia Duckworth on Disney’s “*Bizaardvark*,” currently in its third 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 YouTube series “*Clique Wars*.”

Alex Mallari Jr. is in a lead role in the Starz! action/drama “*Insomnia*,” an 8-episode hour-long dramatic action series that also stars Shaun Sipos, Dylan Everett and Pasha Lychnikoff. The series 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 IMTA with LA-NY Inc., picks up his recurring role of Detective Greere on Freeform’s “*Shadowhunters: The Mortal Instruments*” when the demon-hunting series returns for the second half of season three in 2019.



Alum Wes McGee will appear in one of the episodes of the horror anthology internet series “*Dark Web*” which is scheduled to debut later this year. The series revolves around the mysterious disappearance of a young Cyber-security analyst and the trail of stories she leaves behind for her friends to unravel. McGee will also be seen in the upcoming feature *The Best of Enemies*, a fact-based story starring Taraji P. Henson and Sam Rockwell as a civil rights activist and Ku Klux Klan leader who reluctantly worked together on a North Carolina community summit in 1971.

Christian Mucci appears in two episodes of Crypt TV’s horror series “*Stoneheart*,” now streaming its second season. The series follows a young girl who is vested by an ancient presence that thrives on empowering those without a voice. Mucci attend LA17 with Pro Model & Talent and was a finalist for Male Actor of the Year. He appeared in the independent feature *The Colours of Desire*.

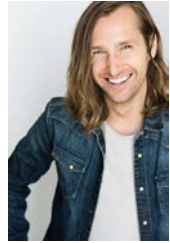


Adrienne Palicki currently stars in “*Orville*,” the Seth MacFarlane live-action Sci-Fi



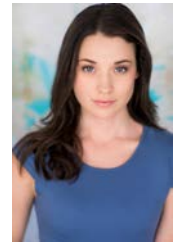
comedy/drama on FOX. The show follows the crew of the not-so-functional exploratory ship Orville in the Earth's interstellar fleet, 400 years in the future. MacFarlane is the Captain of the Orville and Palicki, who came to IMTA with Starbound, is his First Officer...and ex-wife. The series also stars Penny Johnson Jerald, Scott Grimes, Peter Macon, Halston Sage, J. Lee, Mark Jackson and Chad L. Coleman. The second season of “*Orville*” debuts December 30 and will feature guest stars such as Mairina Sirtis, F. Murray Abraham, Ron Canada, Tony Todd, and Ted Danson.

Aaron Paul continues to voice the character of Todd, the unemployed 24-year-old human pal of “*Bojack Horseman*.” The animated Netflix series, a project on which Paul also serves as an executive producer, launches its fifth season on September 14. Paul is currently filming “*Are You Sleeping*” for Apple TV. Based on the true-crime novel by Kathleen Barber, the series stars Octavia Spencer as Poppy Parnell, a relentless investigative reporter who looks to uncover the truth behind a decades old questionable murder verdict through her new podcast. Paul, coming off a three-season stint on Hulu’s “*The Path*,” plays Warren Cave, the recipient of the controversial guilty verdict.

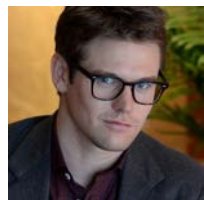


Eric Podnar guest stars in two episodes HBO’s Emmy-nominated “*The Ballers*,” a half-hour comedy series starring Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson that centers on a group of football players and their families, friends, and handlers. Podnar appears in the role of Eli on the series, which is currently in its fourth season. Podnar, another PMTM alum, also recently filmed the pilot for “*Eddie’s*,” a sitcom about a bar owner who fends off real estate developers while keeping his customers happy. Eddie McGee, George Wendt and Alyssa Gabrielle Rodriguez star in the comedy where “every hour is happy hour and all are welcome.”

Alum Megan Porter has been filming the pilot for a new parody YouTube series titled “*Superheroes in Therapy*,” now in post-production. Life can be hard...even for Super Heroes. So where do they go when they need to work through some issues? To therapy, of course. Porter stars as Supergirl, alongside Guy Nardulli as Superman, Aubrey Trujillo-Scarr as Wonder Woman, and Britain Simons as Spiderman.



Alum Zach Roerig has a recurring role on the new CW series “*Legacies*,” which premieres October 25. The adventure drama focuses on Hope Mikaelson, a tribrid daughter of a Vampire/Werewolf hybrid, as she makes her way in the world. Roerig also has a starring role in the upcoming feature *The Outer Wild*, expected to be released to VOD and limited theatres at the end of September. In the film, a runaway girl and a rogue bounty hunter brave a dangerous wilderness to find a fabled sanctuary that can either save or destroy what's left of humanity after an unnatural event leaves mankind nearly extinct.



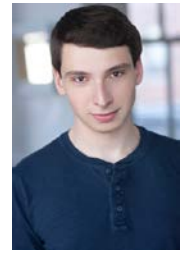
Graham Rogers returns October 28 as Smitty, Susan Sarandon’s son on Showtime’s “*Ray Donovan*.” Starting its sixth season, the series centers on Ray Donovan, a professional “fixer” for the rich and famous in LA, who can make anyone’s problems disappear except those created by his own family. Rogers, who came to IMTA with Main Line Models, also co-stars in the upcoming Netflix series “*The Kominsky Method*” about an aging actor, who long ago enjoyed a brush with fame, makes his living as an acting coach. Premiering November 16, the series stars Alan Arkin, Sarah Baker, Michael Douglas and Nancy Travis.



Brandon Routh returns as Ray Palmer/The Atom in “*D.C.’s Legends of Tomorrow*” when the series returns for season four on October 22. 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 will next be seen on the big screen as Tsar Nicholas in the live-action family feature *Anastasia*; no release date has been announced.

Brandon Salerno recently filmed the pilot for a new comedy web series, “*Exit Zero – The Last Stop*,” which is now in post-production. The plot of the series revolves around a set of twins who

have inherited a New Jersey house from their estranged—and now dead—mother, only to find that not only has the house been repossessed and is being put up for public auction...it is actually possessed by their mother's ghost and other family spirits. Salerno, who appeared in an episode of *"The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel"* last season, competed at IMTA twice with Tomorrow Talent, placing as a finalist in NY11 for Junior Male Actor and 2nd Runner Up for Young Adult Actor in NY14.



Alum Nikki Schiefelbein continues as a producer and writer for alum Ashton Kutcher's Netflix series *"The Ranch,"* which airs the second half of season three later this year. 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."*

When *"Lethal Weapon"* returns September 25 on Fox, alum Seann William Scott will take to the screen in his first TV series starring role. After Clayne Crawford was let go as Martin Riggs at the end of *"Lethal Weapon's"* second season, producers approached Scott to star in the series as Damon Wayans' new partner, veteran detective Wesley Cole, a role specifically written for Scott. Maggie Lawson will also join the cast to play surgeon Natalie Flynn, Cole's ex-wife and mother of his child. Scott, who came to IMTA with Caryn International, was most recently seen in the comedy *Super Troopers 2.*



Alum Sarah Shahi stars 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. The series just completed its 10-episode run and while the show's ratings were good, NBC has not yet announced whether or not the series will have a second season. In the meantime, Shahi is filming the comedy *Judy Small* alongside Alicia Silverstone, Aisha Tyler and Rob Corddry.

Kunal Sharma guest starred in a recurring role last season on *"Hawaii 5.0"* as Koa Rey, the brother of Five-O newcomer Tani Rey. During the season, their complicated relationship was introduced as part of Tani's backstory, which included Koa Rey nearly dying from a drug overdose. While episode casting has not been announced, as season nine begins September 28 it is expected that Sharma will guest star in several of the season's episodes. Sharma had a recurring role in season five of *"Prison Break,"* and 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 as Outstanding Younger Actor in a Drama Series, 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 *"Addicts Anonymous."*

Riley Smith is set to star as Levi Scott in the new Fox series *"Proven Innocent,"* which follows an underdog criminal defense firm led by Madeline Scott, a fierce and uncompromising lawyer with a hunger for justice. There is no one who understands the power of setting an innocent person free more than Madeline. At age 18, she was wrongfully convicted, along with her brother, Levi, in a sensational murder case that



made her an infamous media obsession, a household name and a national cause célèbre. Smith was most recently seen in the short-live “*Life Sentence* on The CW.



LA14 alum Shae Smolik has been filming a lead role in the web series “*Play by Play*,” a coming of age comedy about an ESPN sportscaster who looks back on his life in the 90s and gives the play-by-play of his adolescence. Smolik, who came to IMTA with The Peak Agency and was a finalist for both Child Model and Child Actor of the year, appeared in season one of the series, which is currently available on YouTube. Season two is set to be available later this year, followed by season three in 2019. Smolik recently filmed the independent thriller *D-Railed*, now in post-production.

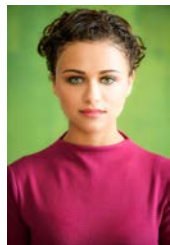
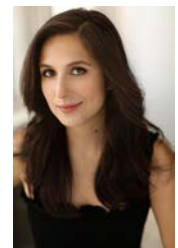
The ever-busy Alyson Stoner has several current projects on which she is working. “*Pete the Cat*,” on which Stoner voices the character Callie, is based on the New York Times #1 best-selling children's books by author James Dean. Two new episodes are set to be made available on Amazon TV in September. On Disney XD’s “*Milo Murphy’s Law*,” Stoner is reprising her character of Isabella for an episode titled “*The Phineas & Ferb Effect*.” She also voices several other characters on the series, now entering its second season. Stoner is also returning to voice her character of Barbara Gordon/Batgirl for the revived DC Comics/ Cartoon Network series “*Young Justice*.” The original 2011-2013 series returns in 2019 for its third season. Stoner won Child Model of the Year when she came to IMTA with Starbound.



Jeremy Sumpter has been filming the pilot for a new drama series titled “*Unlawful*,” in which six law students share an unthinkable secret. Tatjana Alexis, Melise, George Harrison, Marcus Vanco and Madeleine Kennedy also star. Sumpter, who came to IMTA with Images Model & Talent Agency, also recently filmed the independent crime drama *Sargasso*. The picture follows Raymond Brey (Sumpter), a young private investigator, and Joe Smith (Tom Berenger), a veteran P.I. and Ray’s mentor. Decades watching people lie, cheat and steal from one another has left Joe a broken shell of a man and when his attitude begins to infect Ray, danger and heartbreak are inevitable. A release date has not yet been scheduled.



Alum Nikki Valdez has been filming the web series “*Swipe*,” scheduled for an October release on Vimeo. The comedy series follows two recently single New Yorkers meet through an online dating site that proves to be much more complicated than anticipated. She appeared in the 2017 web series “*Binge*.” Valdez also recently filmed the independent comedy/drama *Delt*, in which a schizophrenic brother of a polarizing fraternity returns to his university for the start of the fall semester. The film is currently in post-production.



Begine White-Klein makes her television debut in the season four opener of the TBS crime comedy “*Angie Tribeca*.” In the series, lone-wolf detective Angie Tribeca and a squad of committed LAPD detectives investigate the most serious cases, from the murder of a ventriloquist to a rash of baker suicides. Rashida Jones stars, alongside Jere Burns, Andree Vermeulen, Hayes McArthur and Deon Cole. In the episode, White-Klein guest stars playing the young version of Angie Tribeca in flashback scenes. A PMTM alum, White-Klein was a finalist for LA17 Female Young Adult

Actor.