

'MY CHRISTMAS LOVE'

Cast Bios

MEREDITH HAGNER (Cynthia Manning) – Meredith Hagner began her career in 2008, starring for three seasons as Liberty Ciccone in the daytime drama "As the World Turns," a role for wihich she received a Daytime Emmy nomination as Outstanding Younger Actress in a Drama Series. She followed that with starring roles in the comedy series "Men at Work" and the FX drama "Lights Out." Hagner's many guest roles include episodes of the popular series "Veep," "CSI: Miami," "In Plain Sight," "Louie" and "The Following," and she has starred in the TV movies "A Gift Wrapped Christmas" "Any Tom, Dick, or Harry" and "Awakening."

Hagner has appeared in a number of independent feature films, including director Woody Allen's *Irrational Man* and Simon Helberg's *We'll Never Have Paris*, plus *Hits, Art Machine, Damsels in Distress* and *Going the Distance*, among others.

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BOBBY CAMPO (Liam Pollak) – Born Robert Joseph Camposecco in Wheeling, West Virginia, Bobby Campo played Seth Branson this past season in "Scream: The TV Series" and has costarred in the Hallmark Channel original movies "Snow Bride" and "Love's Christmas Journey." Campo was a series regular in "Being Human" and "Audrey" and has guest-starred in episodes of "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," "Masters of Sex," "Grey's Anatomy," "Justified" and "CSI: Miami," among others.

Campo starred in the feature film *The Final Destination* and co-starred in *Legally Blondes*. He will next be seen in the upcoming feature *The Maestro*, in which he plays Gene Kelly. Other films in which he has appeared include *Starve*, *The Jazz Funeral* and *General Education*.

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MEGAN PARK (Janet Manning) – Known to TV audiences for her starring role as Grace Bowman in the long-running series "The Secret Life of the American Teenager," Megan Park was seen earlier this year in the blockbuster feature film *Central Intelligence* and she appeared

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in last year's acclaimed *Room.* Her other feature films include *Demonic, What If, Charlie Bartlett* and *Diary of the Dead,* among others.

She had recurring roles on the TV series "The Neighbors" and "The Lottery" and has guest-starred in episodes of "Jane the Virgin," "The Newsroom," "Happy Endings" and "Entourage." She starred in the Hallmark Channel original movie "A Wish Come True," as well as Lifetime's "Ungodly Acts" and "The Perfect Teacher."

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AARON O'CONNELL (Scott Ericson) — Of English and Irish ancestry, Aaron John O'Connell was born in Dayton, Ohio, where he grew up with his sisters Amy, Abby and Anna. Their parents, Mark Alan O'Connell, a former player for the Cincinnati Bengals and current President of ChemStation of Indiana, and Kathryn (Deeble) O'Connell, met during college in Ohio. His grandfather Wayne Deeble was a pianist who taught O'Connell at a very young age to play the piano and he has used that ability, as well as his guitar skills, in his roles as an actor. In addition to his musical talent, O'Connell was an athlete and grew up playing football, basketball and baseball.

After graduating Cathedral High School in Indianapolis, Indiana in 2004, O'Connell attended Purdue University where he studied Health, Fitness, and Nutrition. While there, he signed with Ford Models in Chicago, Illinois. His quick success moved him to New York City where he worked with magazines such as <u>GQ</u>, <u>Vanity Fair</u>, French <u>Vogue</u>, German <u>Vogue</u> and brands including Carolina Herrera, Hanes, Lucky Brand Jeans, Abercrombie & Fitch and Jockey.

After booking a few successful national commercials, O'Connell caught the eye of writer, producer and director Tyler Perry, who cast him as Wyatt Cryer in "The Haves and The Have Nots," the first television drama he created. O'Connell co-starred in the show for four seasons, during which time it became a big hit for OWN. In 2014, he was offered his first supporting role in the film "Prince for Christmas" alongside actress Viva Bianca, which led to last year's starring role in the Hallmark Channel original movie "12 Gifts of Christmas."

When O'Connell gets a break from the entertainment business, he loves to fly. In 2013, he earned his private pilot's license and later became an instrument-rated pilot in 2014. While he enjoys flying his Cirrus SR22 recreationally, he also flies for the charity Pilots 'N Paws, ferrying dogs from kill shelters to their new families.

He currently resides in Los Angeles, where he continues to work on his craft.

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GREGORY HARRISON (Tom Manning) — Gregory Harrison's four-decade career spans television, film, and theater. He has filmed over 40 TV movies, two dozen mini-series, and guest-starred on dozens of television series, beginning with "M*A*S*H" in 1975. Harrison has since starred in numerous television series, including "Reckless," "Logan's Run," "Safe Harbor," "Falcon Crest," "Trapper John, M.D.," "One Tree Hill," "Judging Amy, "Strong Medicine, "Joey" and "Ringer." Earlier this year, he starred in the Hallmark Channel original movie "Signed, Sealed, Delivered: Lost Without You," his third in that series, and has also starred in the Hallmark Channel original movies "Cloudy With a Chance of Love," "Undercover Bridesmaid," and "The Nine Lives of Christmas," along with the Hallmark Movie Channel original "After All These Years."

On the big screen, Harrison has appeared in several feature films, including *It's My Party*, *North Shore*, *Razorback*, *Running Wild*, *Air Bud II: Golden Receiver*, *Love 'N Dancing*, *Give 'Em Hell*, *Malone*, and *The M Word* with Michael Imperioli and Frances Fisher. Earlier this year, he starred in *Fair Haven*.

Harrison made his Broadway debut in 1997 with Kander and Ebb's "Steel Pier" and took the Broadway stage again in the 2001 Broadway revival of the critically acclaimed Stephen Sondheim musical "Follies," co-starring Blythe Danner and Treat Williams. Additionally, he played slick lawyer Billy Flynn in another Kander and Ebb musical, "Chicago," both on Broadway and on the national tour. Other dramatic theater roles include this year's world-premiere of "The Snake Can" (Odyssey Theater), "Surf Report" (La Jolla Playhouse), "Child's Play," Jules Feiffer's "Carnal Knowledge" and the US and China tour of "Top Secret: The Battle For The Pentagon Papers." Harrison also starred in productions of "The Hasty Heart" and "Picnic" (Ahmanson Theater), both taped for Showtime on Broadway.

Harrison's regional musical credits include "Pump Boys and Dinettes," "Of Thee I Sing," "Paper Moon: The Musical," "Festival," "Guys and Dolls" and "The Music Man."

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