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'A BRUSH WITH LOVE'

Cast Bios

ARIELLE KEBBEL (Jamie Spellman) – Arielle Kebbel made her mark in Hollywood when she was only 17, playing the recurring role of Lindsay Lister on the hit series "Gilmore Girls," a part she won within two days of arriving in Los Angeles from Florida. It was her first audition. A natural talent with a striking screen presence, Kebbel has been steadily working in film and television since that auspicious beginning.

Most recently, Kebbel was featured as Gia Matteo in the blockbuster *Fifty Shades Freed*, the third film in the *Fifty Shades* franchise. Other feature films to her credit include *Think Like a Man*, *Vampires Suck*, *The Uninvited*, *The Grudge 2*, *Be Cool* and *Soul Plane*, among others.

She starred as Olivia Charity on NBC's "Midnight, Texas," and has enjoyed lengthy recurring roles in numerous popular series, including "The Vampire Diaries," "Ballers," "Life Unexpected," "Grounded for Life," "Gilmore Girls" and "90210." In addition, she has appeared in episodes of "Robot Chicken," "The Grinder," "The League," "UnREAL," "Instant Mom," "Hawaii Five-0," "True Blood," "Shark," "CSI: Miami" and "Entourage," among others. Due to the overwhelming popularity of her character in "The Vampire Diaries," Kebbel was asked to host the original recap series "Rehash," which inspired her to take her hosting duties to the next level. As one of her first jobs in this arena, she became the host for The CW's summer dating game show "Perfect Score."

She has starred in a number of made-for-television movies, including Hallmark Channel's "A Bride for Christmas" and "Bridal Wave."

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NICK BATEMAN (Max Hughes) – Born in Burlington, Ontario, Canada, Nicholas Yunge-Bateman started karate at age four in the hope of becoming a Ninja Turtle. He went on to win four Martial Arts World Titles. After graduation from Capilano University in Vancouver at age 20, Bateman opened his own karate school. After three years, he closed the school to pursue his passion for acting.

Soon after, Bateman landed his first major role starring alongside Rutger Hauer in *Hobo with a Shotgun*. Most recently, he starred with Eric Roberts in *The Perception*, and in *The Matchmaker's Playbook* for Passionflix. Other films include *Apple of My Eye*, with Burt Reynolds, and *Total Frat Movie*.

Bateman starred in UPTV's "Winter Wedding" and Lifetime's "The Hazing Secret." He starred in the Canadian television series "Originals," and has appeared in episodes of "Mr. D," "My Babysitter's a Vampire" and "The Listener." He is also known for his international modelling work with Abercrombie & Fitch, Dsquared, Fila, Jockey and Calvin Klein.

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