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## 'A CHRISTMAS MIRACLE'

### Cast Bios

**TAMERA MOWRY-HOUSLEY (Emma)** – Tamera Mowry-Housley is an actor, producer, host, and entrepreneur who has captivated audiences for over 20 years. She started her career alongside her twin sister, Tia Mowry-Hardrict, on the hit show “Sister, Sister.” The series garnered awards including an NAACP Image Award for Outstanding Actress in a Comedy Series two years in a row; a Kid’s Choice Award for Favorite Television Actress three years in a row, and an induction into the Kid’s Choice Awards Hall of Fame. In 2011, Mowry-Housley returned to the TV screen with her sister on the hit Style Network reality TV series “Tia and Tamera,” which chronicled her life as she balanced her acting career along with the major life transformation of marriage and motherhood.

Mowry-Housley’s additional credits include television movies, series regular roles on both “Strong Medicine” and “Roommates,” and a recurring role on “Melissa and Joey.” In 2018, Mowry-Housley and her fellow co-hosts of “The Real” won a Daytime Emmy in the category of “Outstanding Entertainment Talk Show Host.” Mowry-Housley graduated with honors from Pepperdine University with a bachelor’s degree in Psychology with an emphasis on Abnormal Childhood Development. Born in Germany, she was raised in Southern California with her siblings, actors Tia, Tahj, and Tavior. In 2011, she married former news correspondent, Adam Housley, and welcomed their first child, Aden John Tanner Housley, in November 2012, and their daughter, Ariaah, in July 2015. She currently resides in Los Angeles, CA and Napa Valley, CA, where her family operates Century Oak Winery and their new downtown Napa tasting room. Fans can keep up with the family’s adventures on their new YouTube series, “The Housley Life.”

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**BROOKS DARNELL (Marcus)** –The eldest of three sons, Brooks, named by his father after the late baseball great Brooks Robinson, signed with a talent agency at the age of 16, and soon after tested his skills at the nationally acclaimed IMTA talent showcase, New York City competition. Darnell placed third out of more than four hundred monologue contestants, winning an invitation to study at the prestigious Conservatory theatre school in San Francisco.

Darnell appeared in the 2012 feature film *Total Recall*, and in the 2016 Hallmark Channel original movie “All Yours.” Most recently, he had a recurring role in Freeform’s “Shadowhunters” and has appeared in episodes of “Bones,” “Breakout Kings,” “Nothing Personal,” “Nikita” and “Ghostly Encounters.”

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**BARRY BOSTWICK (Santa Dean)** – Barry Bostwick’s theater credits include his Tony nominated performance as the original Danny Zuko in the iconic *Grease* on Broadway, a Tony nominated performance in *They Knew What They Wanted* and a win for Best Actor in a Musical for his portrayal of *The Robber Bridegroom*, a role that he also originated at the Mark Taper Forum in Los Angeles. Past films include *Weekend at Bernie’s II*, *Spyhard*, *Some Guy who Kills People*, *Hannah Montana: The Movie*, *Evening Nancy Drew*, *Skulls III*, Disney’s animated *101 Dalmatians Part 2*, and the all-American role of Brad Majors in the cult classic *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*.

Previous television credits include roles on hit television shows such as “Scandal,” “Cougar Town,” “Ugly Betty,” “Law & Order: SVU,” CBS’ “The Great Indoors,” and Fox’s “New Girl.” Most recently he has been seen recurring on CMT’s “Still the King” with Billy Ray Cyrus and Bravo’s “Girlfriends’ Guide to Divorce” and the “Big Fat Liar” sequel “Bigger Fatter Liar.” He was recently seen in the Hallmark Movies & Mysteries original movie “Signed, Sealed, Delivered: To the Altar.” Upcoming projects to watch out for include the feature films *Love by Drowning* and *Love Returns Home*. In his free time, Bostwick is an advocate for prostate cancer research and awareness and received the Courage Award presented by President Clinton and the Gilda Radner Courage Award from the Roswell Institute in Buffalo, New York and the Brooklyn Hospital Foundation Award. He is also a skilled ceramicist and donates many pieces to charities around the country.

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