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## **'MY BEST FRIEND'S BOUQUET'** **Cast Bios**

**CHALEY ROSE (Josie Hughes)** – Chaley Rose is an accomplished actress, singer and songwriter.

Rose made her Hallmark Channel debut last year in “A Christmas Duet,” which premiered during the network’s beloved “Countdown to Christmas” programming event. She is best known for her recurring roles of Zoey Dalton in ABC’s hit show “Nashville” and Dr. Pepper Russo in the CBS medical drama “Code Black” and appears in season five of “Lucifer” on Netflix, which premiered in August. Rose can be seen in the Fullscreen series, “Filthy Preppy Teen\$” and Freeform’s “Stitchers,” and she also played the female leads in the television movies “Holiday Heist” and TV One’s “Dinner for Two.”

In addition to her achievements in film and television, Rose is also an accomplished singer and songwriter. She has performed in venues around the world, including the Ryman Auditorium and The Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, The Troubador in Los Angeles and The Best Buy Theatre in New York City, as well as numerous venues abroad.

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**NATHAN WITTE (Alex)** – Nathan Witte is no stranger to the world of acting or business of filmmaking. Since the age of seven, he’s acted in and produced short films which soon led Witte to his first on-set experience as an extra in the series “Caitlin’s Way.” He had the acting bug but didn’t really know it until he was 18 years old and decided to become a working professional by moving to Vancouver to achieve his greater aspirations.

After 14 years, Witte has amassed a large body of work from his appearances on hit television series including “Supernatural,” “Arrow,” “Rogue,” “Arctic Air,” “Motive,” “Continuum,” “Wayward Pines,” “Van Helsing,” “Travelers,” “Riverdale” and “A Million Little Things,” among others. Most recently he was seen playing a demon named Godric in season two of the reboot of “Charmed,” as Crow Agent Miguel Robles in “Batwoman” and as Corey in his first produce “bro-mantic” comedy feature film, *The Perfect Pickup*, now streaming on Amazon Prime.

Fans can follow Witte on social media to get up-to-date information about his upcoming live performance as M in the acclaimed stage play, *Cock*, by Mike Bartlett and directed by Carmel Amit and Caitlin Stryker. The production will be live streamed online in HD in September 2020.

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**REBECCA OLSON (Athena)** – Raised in Powell River, British Columbia, Rebecca Olson grew up fishing, riding horses, loving the outdoors and small-town life. With a passion for music and songwriting, her creative instinct led her to Vancouver to pursue acting.

Olson most recently appeared in Freeform’s “Siren,” Lifetime’s “Tempting Fate” and has previously appeared in series such as AMC’s “Hell on Wheels,” The CW’s “DC’s Legends of Tomorrow” and also appeared in the television movie “Final Vision” alongside Scott Foley and Dave Annable.

Audiences can expect to see more of her later this year, having completed three projects in summer 2020 alone.

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**LUISA D’OLIVEIRA (Emma)** – A native of Vancouver, B.C., Luisa d’Oliveira was previously seen in the Hallmark Channel Original movie premiere “Love on the Sidelines.” Her first acting role was in the TV movie “Storm Seekers” and since then she has appeared in guest-starring roles on TV series including “Supernatural,” “The Guard,” “Psych,” “The Good Wife,” “Hellcats,” “Rookie Blue,” “The Twilight Zone” and “Supergirl. Additionally, d’Oliveira was a series regular on “Cracked” and “Channel Zero” and had heavily recurring roles on “Motive” and most recently, “The 100.” Additional credits include the TV movies “Stranger with My Face,” “Ice Twisters” and “The Selection.” On the big screen, d’Oliveira has appeared in *50/50*, *Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked*, *Percy Jackson* and *Into the Grizzly Maze*.

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**CASEY MANDERSON (Brian)** – Born in New Westminster, B.C. Casey Manderson began his career as an actor in the 2006 short *The Psychic Life of Plants*. Since that time, Manderson has built up an impressive acting resume with television roles in series including “The Ennead,” on which he also served as co-producer, “Alcatraz,” “Witches of East End,” “Jaguars,” “The 100” and “Project Blue Book,” among others. Manderson is familiar to viewers from his roles in the Hallmark Channel Original Movie premieres such as “A Novel Romance,” “Once Upon a Holiday,” “Love Struck Café,” “Under the Autumn Moon,” “Love, Take Two” and “You’re Bacon Me Crazy,” as well as “Hailey Dean Mystery: Murder, with Love” and “Garage Sale Mystery: Murder Most Medieval” for Hallmark Movies & Mysteries. Film credits include *The Cleaners*, *The Hard Cut*, *Finding Mr. Right*, *Nutshells* and *When Life Was Good*. Behind the camera, Manderson has served as co-producer on *The Tree Inside*, *In No Particular Order* and *The Red Rooster*, in which he also appeared.

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**THOMAS CADROT (Ted)** – Born in Paris, France, Thomas Julien Cadrot is the youngest of three children to his accountant mother, Flora, and a liaison officer, Fernand, both from the French West Indies. Cadrot was fortunate enough to travel extensively growing up. Being raised in such diverse locations as Paris, Miami, San Juan and Caracas exposed him to a wide variety of cultures and allowed him to be fluent not only in French, but also in English and Spanish.

Always passionate about the performing arts, Cadrot made a point to train and get involved in projects while he earned his masters’ degree in international business. His degree in hand, it was

time to decide if he would pursue what he loved or stay on the conventional path. Choosing the former, he moved to Vancouver, B.C. and soon began to work. Cadrot has had guest appearances in series such as "Fairly Legal," "Supernatural," "Arrow," "The Tomorrow People," "The Flash," "Once Upon a Time," "Charmed" and "The Good Doctor," among others. Hallmark audiences have previously seen him in the Hallmark Channel Original Movie premieres "Love on the Air" and "In the Key of Love." Cadrot has also had roles in the television movies "Who Killed My Husband?" and "A Midsummer's Nightmare" as well as the Disney+ premiere *Noelle*. In feature films, he has been seen in *Monkey Up*, *Countdown* and *Star Trek Beyond*.

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**JAIME M. CALLICA (Will)** – Born and raised in Toronto, Ontario, Jaime M. Callica is the hottest thing out of Canada since the two Ryans (Gosling & Reynolds). With just a few years of acting under his belt, he has fast become one of Hollywood's rising stars and has been heating up as a series regular in Tyler Perry's new drama and #1 show on BET+, "Ruthless" (a spin-off of fan favorite "The Oval"). His most recent role is in the new Disney Channel original movie "Upside-Down Magic," which premiered July 31, and based on The New York Times bestselling fantasy fiction children's books of the same name. Audiences have just begun to get a taste for this multi-faceted, hard-working actor on his rise to the top while he curates an impressive resume alongside Hollywood elite.

"Ruthless," the upcoming one-hour drama series by Tyler Perry for BET+, is a spinoff of "The Oval" and follows Ruth Truesdale (Melissa L. Williams) as she's forced to play nice with a scandalous religious cult in the hopes of freeing herself and her daughter. Callica plays Agent Brian Rollins, a driven, dedicated worker who loves his wife and his job. When he receives a call to action, he knows he has to step in. In "Upside-Down Magic," 10-year-old Nory Horace discovers she has magical powers and can turn into animals but can't quite get it right. Nory attends a school for other kids with "upside-down magic" and her father, played by Callica, wants to keep her powers a secret. Viewers may also recognize the actor from some of his past TV and film roles including "UnREAL," "Lucifer," "Wayward Pines," Spike Lee's "Tales from the Hood 3" and alongside Kelly Rowland in "Merry Little Christmas."

Born and raised in Toronto by a single Trinidadian mother of mixed Chinese, Indian and Spanish ancestry, acting wasn't always at the forefront of Callica's mind but he was always a performer. From a young age, he was inspired by the pop stars he saw on screen and decided to take dance classes, specializing in tap and jazz. He graduated to martial arts, becoming a black belt at 13 (though he had to wait for his official belt until age 16), and eventually, through a mishap by running late to class, found himself joining and competing on the track team. When pursuing colleges, Callica settled on criminology in Vancouver before eventually transitioning to business. He always had a knack for numbers and soon was buying condos, townhouses and businesses to call his own. But the acting bug struck suddenly one day and, realizing life is all about taking chances, he dove into the high-risk career in the entertainment industry. Within a year he sold his businesses, started taking acting classes, doing background work and whatever he could, and made the official move to Los Angeles. With over 30 credits in just a few years, he hasn't looked back.

Now splitting his time between Los Angeles and Vancouver, when he's not filming, Callica likes to spend his time working with causes that focus on helping single moms, or parents with disabilities

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