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Cast Bios

MALLORY JANSEN (Jennifer) – Mallory Jansen is an Australian actress, born and raised in Melbourne. Jansen studied drama in New York in 2011, being coached by some of the world's best acting, accent, analysis, method and film teachers at some of the most renowned schools such as Stella Adler and T. Schreiber Studios.

After completing her studies, Jansen returned to Australia where it wasn't long before she scored roles on a string of mini-series hits. They included Channel Nine's "Howzat! Kerry Packer's War", Channel Ten's "Mr & Mrs Murder" and Australian Broadcasting Commission's (ABC) "Twentysomething". However, it was her role playing supermodel Helena Christensen on Channel 7's "Never Tear Us Apart: The Untold Story of INXS" that proved she was making a name for herself in the Australian TV industry and which also created a flutter of interest for the young actress in Los Angeles.

Jansen made the move over to the United States in mid-2013 and only weeks later scored her first recurring role of Caroline Huntington in ABC Family's "Young & Hungry," shortly followed by the recurring role of Georgie Farlow in ABC Family's hit show "Baby Daddy".

That same year news broke that Jansen was to play the starring role of Madalena in ABC's fresh new TV series "Galavant," a medieval musical comedy featuring original musical numbers from award-winning composer and Broadway legend, Alan Menken (*The Little Mermaid*, *Beauty and the Beast*) and written and created by Dan Fogelman ("This Is Us"). Jansen garnered much critical acclaim for her portrayal of the sharp tongued and hilariously evil Queen.

Immediately after wrapping the second season of "Galavant," Jansen was cast in the fourth season of ABC's hit show "Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D." Over the course of the season, Jansen portrayed three different roles: Aida, an artificial intelligence Life Model Decoy; Agnes Kitsworth, Radcliffe's former Australian lover; and Madame Hydra, the iconic Marvel comic book character.

Recently, Jansen has appeared in numerous hit network shows including, "This Is Us" and "American Housewife." She also recurred as Special Agent Margo James in Mark Wahlberg's action packed drama "Shooter" on USA Network.

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TYLER HYNES (Aidan) – Tyler Hynes was born in Toronto and raised in Ottawa, Ontario with the artist gene in his veins. He is an accomplished actor, director, producer, editor, writer and musician, and he is constantly striving to create and star in new and innovative projects. Hynes got his professional start at the age of eight performing on stage, touring Canada in the role of young Tommy in the rock musical *The Who's Tommy*. From there he went on to television and films. By age 13, Hynes was on television screens everywhere starring as a main character in "Amazon" and he hasn't stopped since. Some of his greatest accolades and achievements include

a Best Actor Gemini nomination for "Tagged: The Jonathan Wamback Story," which told the real-life tragedy about a Canadian high school student who was beaten and left for dead.

At age 18, Hynes landed in movie theaters everywhere starring alongside Andie MacDowell and Tim Roth in *The Last Sign*. He then transitioned from teen actor to adult actor flawlessly, and in his 20s he worked alongside James Franco and Sienna Miller in *Camille*. Shortly thereafter, Hynes captivated audiences everywhere in NBC's "The Firm" based on John Grisham's novel, in which he portrayed the smug and overly intelligent Ivy Leaguer Patrick Walker, who was about to stand trial for first degree murder. He also appeared in "Betty and Coretta" opposite Mary J. Blige.

Most recently, Hynes starred in Hallmark Channel's original movie "Winter in Vail," and he previously starred in "The Mistletoe Secret," "My Boyfriend's Back: Wedding March 5," "Flip That Romance," "It's Christmas, Eve," and "Falling for You." In addition, he can be seen in a recurring role in the TV series "UnREAL," as well as a lead role in the feature film *Peace*, starring opposite Alexander Ludwig. Hynes cultivated a huge following as a series regular on "Saving Hope" for his portrayal of Luke Reid, the paramedic brother of the main character. Other notable recurring roles include "Transporter: The Series" and the critically acclaimed Canadian series, "19-2."

While his acting portfolio continues to prosper, Hynes keeps adding his name to grassroots indie projects where he has written, directed and starred in his own short films. A talented musician with a knack for the unknown, Hynes enjoys reading and traveling in his down time.

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