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'CHRISTMAS WALTZ'

Cast Bios

LACEY CHABERT (Avery) – Lacey Chabert is regarded as one of the best young actresses of her generation. From an early age, she was exposed to dramatic and musical performances in and around her hometown of Purvis, Mississippi. Chabert received her first break in a cough syrup commercial before successfully auditioning for the Broadway production of *Les Miserables*, in which she played young Cosette for two years. In 1998, she made her feature film debut as Penny Robinson in *Lost in Space*.

Chabert's resume is as extensive as it is versatile. Consistently delivering memorable performances, she has become one of Hollywood's most sought-after talents. Best known for her role as Claudia on the Golden Globe Award®-winning FOX television series "Party of Five," Chabert has appeared on ABC Family's "Baby Daddy," ABC's "All My Children" as well as in several made-for-TV movies, including "Gypsy" starring Bette Midler; "A Little Piece of Heaven" with Cloris Leachman; Lifetime's "What If God Were the Sun?" starring opposite Gena Rowlands; and the Hallmark Channel Original Movies "Moonlight in Vermont" with Carlo Marks and Jesse Moss, "All of My Heart" with Edward Asner, "Matchmaker Santa" opposite Florence Henderson, "A Royal Christmas" alongside Jane Seymour and John Ratzenberger, "All of My Heart: Inn Love" with Brennan Elliott, "The Sweetest Christmas," "Love on Safari" opposite Jon Cor, "All of My Heart: The Wedding" with Brennan Elliott, "Pride, Prejudice, and Mistletoe," "Love, Romance & Chocolate," "Christmas in Rome," and "Winter in Vail." Chabert also starred in the Hallmark Movies & Mysteries Original "The Color of Rain," which was the highest rated and most watched original film in the network's history. Chabert also stars in Hallmark Movies & Mysteries' signature mysteries franchise movies starting with "Crossword Mysteries: A Puzzle to Die For," and followed by "Crossword Mysteries: Proposing Murder," and "Crossword Mysteries: Abracadaver."

Chabert's feature film credits include Warner Bros.' *Ghosts of Girlfriends Past*, starring opposite Jennifer Garner and Matthew McConaughey; box office hit *Mean Girls*, for which she received outstanding reviews and an MTV Movie Award; *Daddy Day Care*, starring as Anjelica Huston's daughter; and A&E's "The Brooke Ellison Story," playing the lead in Christopher Reeve's final directorial project.

Known for her natural acting skills and charming personality, Chabert's cotton candy voice has been featured in numerous animated films and TV shows, including Nickelodeon's "The Wild Thornberrys," Sony's "The Spectacular Spider-Man," FOX's "Allen Gregory," Hasbro's "Transformers: Rescue Bots" and most recently, Warner Bros.' "Young Justice."

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WILL KEMP (Roman) – An accomplished dancer, Will Kemp began his dance training at the age of nine with Elizabeth Harrison, a Fellow of the Imperial Society Teachers of Dance (FISTD), and later joined The Royal Ballet Senior Associates as well as The Royal Ballet Upper School in England. His dancing credits include the role of the Gypsy Lover in Fredrick Ashton's *The Two Pigeons* at the Royal Opera House, and after graduating from the Royal Ballet school, he joined Adventures in Motion Pictures (AMP) for the creation of Matthew Bourne's award-winning production of *Swan Lake*.

As a Principal Dancer, Kemp portrayed the lead in *Swan Lake*, in both Broadway and West End productions and danced the role of James in *Highland Fling* at the Sandler's Wells Theatre. In addition, he originated the role of The Angel in *Cinderella* in both the West End and Los Angeles productions, Angelo in *The Car Man* at The Old Vic in England, and Anthony in *Play Without Words* at the National Theatre. Kemp also danced in gala favorite, *Spitfire* at Sadler's Wells Theatre, The Old Vic and National Theatre.

For choreographer Will Tuckett, Kemp created Ratty in *Wind in The Willows* at the Linbury Theatre and the West End, The Narrator in *The Soldier's Tale* at the Linbury Theatre, as well as a Japan Tour, and Stromboli in *Pinocchio* at the Linbury Theatre and on BBC Film. For choreographer Matthew Hart, he portrayed both the Grandfather and Narrator in the revival of *Peter and the Wolf* alongside Sergei Polunin at the Royal Opera House

As an actor, his stage work includes starring as Nugget in the West End revival of *Equus*, alongside Daniel Radcliffe and the late Richard Griffiths, and on film he appeared in *Van Helsing*, alongside Hugh Jackman and Kate Beckinsale, and in *Mindhunters*, alongside Val Kilmer and Christian Slater. His other film credits include: *Step Up 2: The Streets*, *The Midnight Man*, *Slumber*, *The Secrets of Emily Blair*, and *Miguel and William*. On the small screen, Kemp's credits include the Hallmark Channel Original Movie "Royal Matchmaker," "Unveiled," "Petals on the Wind," "Christopher and His Kind," "Peter and the Wolf," "The Soldier's Tale," "HR," "Non-Stop," "Kristin's Christmas Past," "Grace" and the miniseries "The Great Fire," as well as "The Prisoner." His TV series credits include "90210," "Nikita," "New Tricks," and most recently "Doom Patrol", "Code Black," "Reign" and "Girlfriends' Guide to Divorce."

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