

NEWS

'LOVE'S UNFOLDING DREAM'

CAST BIOS

ERIN COTTRELL (Missie Tyler) – Possessing a dedication to her craft and a unique maturity for a young actress, Erin Cottrell is poised to be one of Hollywood's "ones to watch," in the coming years. A naturally gifted singer, dancer and actress, she studied at the University of North Carolina before securing a summer internship at London's "The Young Vic." After returning to the United States, she signed with the famed Wilhelmina Agency and began a modeling career. She got her start playing Camille Baptiste on the daytime drama, "Guiding Light," followed by a role on "All My Children." She relocated to Los Angeles, where she landed a small role in "Legally Blonde II: Red, White & Blonde." Her other television credits include "Ed," ABC's miniseries, "Little House on the Prairie," "Faith of My Fathers" and the Hallmark Channel Original movies "Love's Abiding Joy" and "Loves Unending Legacy."

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DALE MIDKIFF (Clark Davis) – Dale Midkiff started acting off-Broadway before landing a starring role in the film "Streetwalkin'." Among his credits are guest-starring roles on "Without A Trace," "CSI," the starring roles of Elvis Presley in the made-for-TV biopic "Elvis and Me" and "A Cry for Help: The Tracey Thurman Story." His other credits include "Torn Apart," "Video Voyeur: The Susan Wilson Story," "Another Woman's Husband" and the Hallmark Channel Original movies "Back to You & Me," "Love's Enduring Promise" and "Love Comes Softly," for which he received the Grace Award for TV at the 12th Annual MovieGuide Awards. Midkiff also starred in the sci-fi crime series "Time Trax" and the TV series "The Magnificent Seven" on USA.

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VICTOR BROWNE (Sheriff Zach Tyler) – – Best known to television viewers for his performance in the role of Tyler Reed in the drama series "Tremors," Victor Browne has also starred in feature films and high profile episodic television programs. Interestingly, two of his feature film roles -- "I Shot Andy Wharhol" and "54" – were set in the same '70s Manhattan celebrity/artist/model/disco era. A native of Newfoundland, Canada, Browne has guest-starred in episodes of the series "CSI: NY," "Lost," "Charmed" and "Sex in the City." His television film credits include "Desolation Canyon" and "Mystery Woman: Mystery Weekend."

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SAMANTHA SMITH (Marty Davis) – A native of Sacramento, Calif., Samantha Smith has amassed a considerable amount of credits in television series ranging from modern classic comedies to critically acclaimed episodic and long form dramas. Sometimes billed as "Sam Smith," she had a recurring role on the comedy "Two of a Kind," and guest-starred on

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"Seinfeld," "Friends," "Wings" and "Just Shoot Me." "NYPD Blue," "The Division," "Monk," "Dark Angel," and "Profiler" are among her drama series credits, and she appeared in the television movies "Avalon: Beyond the Abyss," "Noriega: God's Favorite," "Fidel," and "McBride: Dogged." Smith's feature film credits include "Jerry Maguire" and "Rockin' Good Times."

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SCOUT TAYLOR-COMPTON (Belinda Tyler) – The 2007 "Best Actress" award winner at the annual Method Fest in Los Angeles for her performance in "Tomorrow is Today," Scout Taylor-Compton began her professional acting career at age nine with a featured role in the AFI film "A.W.O.L.," starring David Morse. The red-haired, home-schooled actress has starred in feature films such as "Sleepover," "13 Going on 30," "The Core" and "I Am Sam." In the comedy "Four Fingers of the Dragon" she played herself auditioning for a movie role, and in addition to performing in "Chicken Night" she sang that film's theme song. On television she has starred in the Hallmark Original Movie "Audrey's Rain" and made guest-starring appearances on the series "The Guardian," "ER," "Gilmore Girls," "The Division," "Charmed" and "Ally McBeal." Her stage credits include the title roles in *Annie* and *Anne Frank*. Taylor-Compton has provided voice-over for Disney's "Princess Diaries 2." She has served as a celebrity youth member for the disadvantaged children's charity, Kids with a Cause. Her hobbies and interests are writing poetry and songs, drums, world cultures and oceanography, softball, volleyball and enjoying her twin cats.

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ROBERT PINE (Dr. Micah "Doc" Jackson) – Robert Pine began acting as a student at Scarsdale High School, graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University in a pre-med. But a family friend, playwright Robert Anderson ("Tea and Sympathy"), saw him perform in a region play on Nantucket Island, and offered assistance if Pine chose to pursue an acting career. Pine became a Universal Studios contract player, and appeared in the studio's television productions of series such as "The Virginian" and "Wagon Train." Television audiences know him for his performance on the long-running series "CHiPs" as Sgt. Joe Gertaer, the wry, non nonsense, by-the-book cop. He also directed episodes of "CHiPs." His additional TV credits include guest-starring on the series "Murder: She Wrote," "L.A. Law" and "Magnum, P.I." (appearing as Tom Selleck's father). More recently he has been on "Big Love," "Curb Your Enthusiasm" and "Without a Trace." Among the TV movies has starred in are "The Enola Gay," "Prophet of Evil," and "Blind Need." Pine's feature film credits include "Independence Day," "But I'm a Cheerleader" and "Red Eye."

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RICHARD HERD (Windsor) – Veteran character actor Richard Herd, who admits people often mistake him for Karl Malden, is best known to television audiences for his

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performance as tough Captain Dennis Sheridan on "T.J. Hooker." He also starred on the series "V" and "Winnetka Road," and had recurring roles on "Star Trek: Voyager," "Seinfeld" and "SeaQuest DSV." Herd has made numerous guest-starring appearances on series ranging from "M*A*S*H," "The Golden Girls" and "Grace Under Fire" to "Eight is Enough," "Starsky and Hutch," "Dynasty," "China Beach," "ER," "JAG" and "Family Law." His feature film credits include "All the President's Men," "China Syndrome," "Trancers," "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil" and "Trains, Planes and Automobiles." A native of Boston, Herd once served as national vice president of the Screen Actors Guild.

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PATRICK LEVIS (Drew Simpson) – Patrick Canon Levis of Silver Spring, Md., had a passion for acting at a young age, and after appearing in commercials starred on Broadway in "BIG! The Musical." After starring in "Brink!" a Disney Channel movie, he was cast as Jack Phillips in the channel's comedy series "So Weird." Levis also starred as Grant Stage on the WB comedy series "Maybe It's Me." His additional television credits include roles in the Disney Channel movie "Miracle in Lane 2" and as the young Donny Osmond in the biopic "Inside the Osmonds." He has also guest-starred on series such as "King of Queens" and "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation." An accomplished singer, Levis sang on "Maybe It's Me" and "So Weird." His favorite band is the Christian Contemporary group Caedmon's Call, and he put his own guitar playing to use when he created his own band with some friends.

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