

JANE DOE

'THE HARDER THEY FALL'

CAST BIOS

LEA THOMPSON (Cathy Davis) – Lea Thompson is best known for her role in the Steven Spielberg and Robert Zemeckis "Back to the Future" feature film franchise as well as the title character in the now-syndicated TV comedy "Caroline in the City," for which she won TV Guide and People's Choice Awards.

A native of Minnesota, Thompson began her career as a professional ballet dancer and performed in more than 45 ballets with the Minnesota Dance Theatre. After apprenticing with the Pennsylvania Ballet, she moved to New York at the age of 20 to pursue an acting career. She was first featured in a supporting role in the motion picture "Jaws 3-D," which was followed by a starring role opposite Tom Cruise in "All the Right Moves."

Additional film credits include "Article 99," "Casual Sex?," John Hughes' "Some Kind of Wonderful," "Dennis the Menace," "Red Dawn," "The Wizard of Loneliness," "Howard the Duck," "The Wild Life," "Space Camp," "The Beverly Hillbillies," "The Little Rascals," "The Unknown Cyclist" and "Fish Don't Blink."

Thompson's television credits include a guest-starring role on "Law & Order: SVU," the series "For the People," the miniseries "A Will of Their Own," and the original movies "The Right to Remain Silent," "The Unspoken Truth," "The Substitute Wife," "Montana," "Stolen Babies" and "Nightbreaker," for which she received a CableACE nomination.

On stage, Thompson recently finished both the National Tour and the Broadway Studio 54 production of Sam Mendes' revival of *Cabaret* as well as a Los Angeles production of *The Vagina Monologues*.

Thompson resides in Los Angeles with her husband, film director Howard Deutch, their daughters, Zoey and Madelyn, and a menagerie of dogs, a cat, a parrot, lots of fish, and several horses.

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JOE PENNY (Frank Darnell) – Joe Penny was born in London, England, raised in Georgia, and graduated from Marina High School in Huntington Beach, California.

A student of legendary acting teacher Lee Strasberg, Penny starred in two television series – "Riptide" and "Jake and the Fatman" – and has guest-starred in countless others, most recently "The Sopranos," "Boomtown" and "7th Heaven."

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Penny's other television credits include the miniseries "The Gangster Chronicles" and the movies "Blood Vows: The Story of a Mafia Wife," "Terror in the Night," "The Disappearance of Vonnie," "Double Jeopardy," "She Woke Up Pregnant," "Family of Cops" and "Two Against Time." He has also appeared in a number of films including Blake Edward's "S.O.B." and the independent feature "The Prophet's Game," with Dennis Hopper.

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WILLIAM R. MOSES (Jack Davis) – William R. Moses has built an array of credits, from more than 250 hours of television to a gallery of feature films. He was most recently seen on the series "Tru Calling" and in a recurring role on "Navy NCIS." He also starred in the highly-rated Hallmark Entertainment movie "Mystery Child" and the Hallmark Channel original movie "Mystery Woman."

Moses starred in the indie feature "Cactus Kid," which won the Telluride Independent Film Festival; he played a disgruntled rodeo cowboy in the film "75 Degrees in July," which was selected to open the USA Film Festival; and he appeared in the dark comedy "Wicked," which was screened at the Sundance Film Festival. Moses also starred in the feature, "Fun," which received special jury prizes at Sundance and rave reviews at the Toronto International Film Festival.

Moses first captured television audiences for his role as Cole Gioberti in the hit series "Falcon Crest." He subsequently appeared in 25 "Perry Mason" movies, portraying the attorney's associate Ken Malansky. Among his other TV credits are two seasons on "Melrose Place," a recurring role on "Capital News," and the highly rated telefilm "The Haunting of Seacliff."

Among Moses' other theatrical credits are the sleeper hit "Mystic Pizza" and "Trial By Jury." He produced and played the lead in the films "Alone with a Stranger" and "Hole in the Water." He studied acting with the legendary acting coaches Kim Stanley, Peggy Feury, and Larry Moss.

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