

Alan Thicke

Actor - Author - Producer - Composer

Television - Film - Theatre - Concerts - Books

Alan Thicke has earned a *Golden Globe* "Best Actor" nomination and seven *Emmy Award* nominations (five for writing, two for acting).

He starred as the dim-witted diva 'Dennis Dupree' on the NBC series *Hope & Gloria*, and has guested on countless episodics. Television audiences know Thicke best as psychiatrist and father Jason Seaver from ABC's *Growing Pains*, now syndicated in over 65 countries. Thicke has appeared in numerous TV movies and feature films.

In theatre, Alan received rave reviews opposite Jason Alexander in the Neil Simon/Burt Bacharach musical *Promises*, *Promises* and for his Broadway debut as 'Billy Flynn' in *Chicago-The Musical*.

One of America's most sought-after emcees, Alan has hosted numerous event specials.

From 1980 to 1983, *The Alan Thicke Show* became the biggest hit in the history of Canadian daytime television. The American late-night entry *Thicke of the Night* followed.

As a headliner and speaker, Alan's distinctive charm and humor have established him as one of America's all-purpose entertainers with a list of credits that would fill volumes, such as:

Motivational Lectures include those for IBM, Ford, Borland Technologies, Slim-Fast
 Keynote Presentations include those for Utah Governor's Conference, Humana Hospitals,
 OrthoBiotech Industries, Des Moines Medical Society, Miami Health Day, Sacramento Earth Day
 Host / Emcee / Comic includes Awards Ceremonies for California's Building Industry, Atlanta's
 Real Estate Conference, Chiropractic Centennial Celebration, NHL's All-Star Banquet
 Headliner for many major Vegas showrooms, Atlantic City's Resorts International, cruise ships, and corporate events that include Bordon, Nestle, Mattel, Baskin-Robbins, Brite-Smile

"Inspirational...motivational...comical" are the words most often heard from Alan Thicke's audience following one of his lecture presentations. He can address specific issues including health care, family issues, sports, and the entertainment business, if requested.

As an author, Alan has realized his lifelong dream by signing a publishing deal for his first novel *Lovely Parting Gifts*. His second humor book, *How to Raise Kids Who Won't Hate You*, is a sequel to *How Men Have Babies - The Pregnant Father's Survival Guide*, a favorite since it's release in 1999 and now translated into three languages and the winner of the *Audie Award*, the Oscar for books on tape.

Alan has written sitcoms for Castle Rock, Warner Brothers, and Viacom and feature film scripts for Steve Tisch Productions, Allegro Films, and TVA. He was Executive Producer for the NBC Movie of the Week *The Secret She Carried* and penned his nationally syndicated humor column for the Toronto Sun. In fact, his television career began behind the scenes as a writer for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. That talent soon led to the U.S. where he wrote and/or produced comedy specials and series for Bill Cosby, Flip Wilson, Kenny Rogers, Olivia Newton-John, Anne Murray, and Barry Manilow. He produced and wrote the revolutionary comedies *Fernwood 2Night* and *America 2Night* for Norman Lear.

Alan's background in game shows is extensive. He produced *Celebrity Sweepstakes* and *Wizard of Odds* launching the career of his friend Alex Trebek. *Wheel of Fortune* and *The Joker's Wild* are among over 45 television theme songs composed by Alan, including *Facts of Life* and *Diff'rent Strokes*.

After graduating from the University of Western Ontario, Alan played in a bar band by night and on weekends performed in a repertory comedy group which included Lorne Michaels and Gilda Radner.

Years later, Alan's proudest role remains father to his three sons.

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