

## ERIC McCORMACK

### Biography

Canadian Eric McCormack was born in Toronto and spent his twenties performing in theatres across Canada, including five seasons with the Stratford Festival. He eventually made his Broadway debut starring in *The Music Man*, and returned to New York for the American premiere of Neil LaBute's *Some Girl(s)*. In 2012, he starred opposite James Earl Jones and Angela Lansbury in Tony-nominated *Gore Vidal's The Best Man*.

However, it was his eight seasons as "Will Truman" on NBC's Emmy-winning comedy *Will & Grace* from 1998 -2005 which earned him a Screen Actors Guild Award in 2002, five Golden Globe nominations from 2000 to 2004 and the Emmy for 'Lead Actor in a Comedy Series' in 2001. A decade after the show's unforgettable eight-season run, NBC revived "Will & Grace" to critical reception in Fall 2017. McCormack received a Golden Globe nomination in the category "Best Actor in a Television Series Musical or Comedy" and the show was nominated in the category of "Best Television Series – Musical or Comedy." The show is currently in production on its second season, launching October 2018.

Most recently, McCormack has wrapped production on Season Three of Netflix's "Travelers" for which he produces, directs and stars. The show originated in Canada, where it is produced and was initially commissioned by Showcase. Netflix came on board as a partner and a worldwide distributor outside of Canada for the first two seasons. Starting with Season 3, Netflix will be the exclusive first-run network for the series in every territory around the world, including Canada. The show is set hundreds of years from now when the last surviving humans discover the means of sending consciousness back through time, directly into people in the 21st century. These "travelers" assume the lives of seemingly random people, while secretly working as teams to perform missions in order to save humanity from a terrible future. Season 3 will premiere late 2018.

McCormack also wore the hats of director, producer and star of the TNT drama, *Perception*, which completed its third and final season in August 2014. His

previous producer credits include *Lovespring International* for Lifetime, and the pilot *Imperfect Union*, for TNT.

McCormack's other television credits include *The Andromeda Strain* (A&E), *Borrowed Hearts* (CBS), *Trust Me* (TNT), the title role in *Who Is Clark Rockefeller?* (Lifetime), *The New Adventures of Old Christine* (CBS) and two seasons as "Col. Clay Mosby" on *Lonesome Dove: The Outlaw Years*.

His film work includes *Alien Trespass*, the cult film *Free Enterprise*, *My One and Only* (opposite Rene Zellweger) and *The Sisters* (for which he and Maria Bello won Best Actor and Actress at the Atlanta Film Festival), *Barricade* and *Knife Fight* (opposite Rob Lowe), and *The Architect*.

In Fall 2016, McCormack raised over \$20,000 for Stand Up to Cancer performing his one-man show, *The Concert I Never Gave (except for, like, 2000 times in my bedroom)*. McCormack has hosted *Saturday Night Live* and the *VH-1 Music Awards* and as well as sung both the American and Canadian national anthems at the NHL All-Star Game. In 2011 he received a star on Canada's Walk of Fame. He will receive his star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in September 2018. McCormack splits his time between Los Angeles and Vancouver with Janet, his wife and son, Finnigan.

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