

## Andrew Ableson Biography

Ableson, a U.S. T.V. regular, and English native, guest-starring in many shows such as “*Great News*”, “*NCIS Los Angeles*”, “*The Shield*”, “*Terminator-The Sarah Connor Chronicles*”, “*Will & Grace*”, “*Medical Investigation*”, as well as recurring roles on “*Joan of Arcadia*”, “*Las Vegas*”, “*Days Of Our Lives*”, and “*The Bold & The Beautiful*” began his career on the London stage in sell-out productions of “*The Ecstasy*”, “*Bent*”, and “*A Midsummer Nights' Dream*”, at the Globe Theatre, as well as starring in award -winning productions of musicals such as “*Sweet Charity*” “*Oklahoma*” and “*Godspell*” premiering at the prestigious International Edinburgh Festival.

After two seasons on the UK sitcom “*Second Thoughts*”, as well as numerous commercial appearances, Ableson, son of beloved British crooning legend Frankie Vaughan, re-located to the US in 1995, landing roles immediately in “*Nash Bridges*” and the feature film “*Boyfriends*” (1996), ironically returning to the UK for his role as Owen, the films' bad-boy.

In 2000 The West coast premieres of Mark Ravenhills' ground-breaking play “*Shopping & Fucking*”, both in Los Angeles and San Francisco, won Ableson many awards for his starring role as Mark, the needy, love-hungry heroin addict. He further built on that reputation one year later, starring as legendary theatre critic Kenneth Tynan, in another multi-award-winning L.A. premiere, Austin Pendleton's Pulitzer-nominated “*Orsons' Shadow*”. “*Torn*” an acclaimed nightly-improvised play, and the multi award-winning smash musical, “*The Beastly Bombing*”, “*End Days*”, “*Smoke Lilies & Jade*” and “*Haywire!*” were other west coast premieres, further solidifying his theatrical reputation.

Amongst many other TV and film credits since then, Ableson has the lead role in the surreal comedy “*By The Soles Of Our Feet*”, as well as roles in “*Dirty Girl*” co-starring Mila Jovovich & William H Macy, “*Caffeine*” co-starring Katherine Heigl & Mena Suvari, “*The Gymnast*”, “*New Suit*”, as well as playing all the waiters and chefs in Robert Zemekis' “*The Polar Express*” alongside Tom Hanks.

Voice credits include an international Hyundai World Cup campaign, ‘Eddie’, the foul-mouthed bass-playing frog in Chuck Lorre's “*Roxy & The Rabies Babies*”, co-starring Joan Jett, ‘Ug’ in Dreamwork's “*How To Train Your Dragon 2*”, the evil 'Valmont' in two seasons of “*The Jackie Chan Adventures*”, as well as initial voicing of Gnomeo, in Disneys' “*Gnomeo & Juliet*”, “*Pirates of the Caribbean 2, Dead Man's Chest*”, “*Speed Racer*” “*Pirates Of The Caribbean 4, On Stranger Tides*” “*Get Smart*” not to mention numerous video games, and TV ads.

Commercial credits include an Emmy-award winning spot for NFL/Fox, international campaigns for Xelebri communications, working with David Fincher, National spots for Wendy's, Cars.com, AT&T, Apple, Mini, Arby's, Jack In The Box, Ford, Microsoft, Audi, Lexus, and the award-winning Cingular Star Wars ad with Chewbacca...

He continues to live, work, and sing, whenever he is allowed, in Los Angeles, California.