

## Jeremy Jordan

Jeremy Jordan was born and raised in Corpus Christi, Texas. He was always a singer, but at the age of 17, he accidentally fell in love with acting when cast as The Mute in the musical, *The Fantasticks*. After high school, Jeremy went on to study drama at Ithaca College and moved to New York City after graduating in 2007.

After about a year of catering and waiting tables, he began to book some regional theatre work, and in early 2009, landed his first Broadway show, *Rock of Ages*. He was a swing, understudying several roles including the lead. In December of 2009, he left *Rock of Ages* to play Tony in Broadway's *West Side Story*.

After *West Side Story*, Jeremy traveled to Sarasota, Florida to play Clyde Barrow opposite Laura Osnes in *Bonnie & Clyde*. He then headed to Atlanta, Georgia to shoot his first feature film, "Joyful Noise," opposite Dolly Parton and Queen Latifah. Todd Graff, who wrote and directed the film, decided to cast him in the movie after coincidentally attending Jeremy's very first performance as the lead in *Rock of Ages*.

In the fall of 2011, Jeremy fulfilled a childhood dream when he was cast as Jack Kelly in Disney's world premiere production of *Newsies* at Paper Mill Playhouse in New Jersey. He played Jack at night, and during the day rehearsed *Bonnie & Clyde*, which was coming to Broadway shortly after *Newsies* finished its regional run.

*Bonnie & Clyde* opened on Broadway in November, 2011 but sadly would close after only 69 performances. Jeremy earned the Theatre World Award for his performance. Shortly afterward, Jeremy announced he'd return to *Newsies* to star in its new run on Broadway. *Newsies* opened to sold-out houses and critical raves for Jeremy, who received a Tony nomination as Best Actor in a Musical for this star-making role. He also earned a Grammy nomination for the *Newsies* cast album. Just four months into the run, Jeremy would pull double duty once again, filming a series regular role on NBC's hit series "Smash" while still starring in *Newsies*. After a couple months of sleepless nights and no days off, Jeremy left *Newsies* to film "Smash" full-time.

Around the same time, in September of 2012, Jeremy married fellow Broadway actress, Ashley Spencer. It was a busy year.

This past Valentine's Day, Jeremy starred in the film adaptation of "The Last 5 Years," opposite Oscar and Tony nominee, Anna Kendrick. The cult musical from Jason Robert Brown was directed by Richard LaGravenese.

Jeremy has been performing his solo cabaret show, "Breaking Character," in clubs around the country. He's been selling out shows in New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Long Island and Indianapolis. Joined by his wife, Ashley, he recounts iconic moments from his budding career and performs the songs that have defined his swift rise to stardom. He'll be debuting a brand new cabaret show this June in San Francisco and New York.

Recently, Jeremy starred as real life "Peter Pan" writer J.M. Barrie in the stage musical version of "Finding Neverland," directed by Tony-winner Diane Paulus at Boston's legendary A.R.T. theatre.

This fall, Jeremy will star on CBS's highly-anticipated drama "Supergirl" opposite Melissa Benoist.