



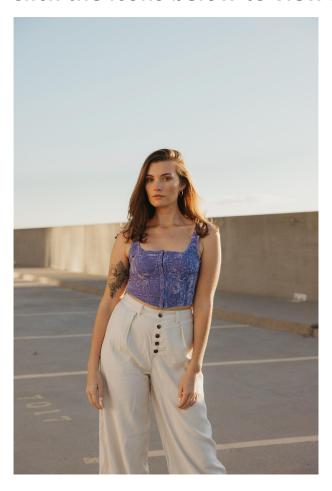
Anna Hindman

Actress Anna Hindman was born and raised in central Connecticut where she began her career at just six years old when she was cast in a commercial for a local power company. She would continue acting throughout her childhood, performing in the theater regionally and, eventually, internationally. She then went on to study Musical Theater at Western Connecticut State University and, upon graduating, she moved to Los Angeles to purse her love of film. This past year, Hindman moved to Nashville and began teaching, put out her first single, Dislove, on Spotify and shot her newest film "American Siege" alongside Bruce Willis. Anna has since relocated to South Carolina with her wife, who is active-duty military. The two just recently relocated again at the beginning of the new year to Fort Campbell in Kentucky. Anna is passionate about LGBTQ+ charities and plans on getting involved in fostering children. When she is not working you can find Anna with a camera in her hand, as she loves shooting still and film photography.



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thrilled to do her own stunts, no matter when the need arose. "I showed up to set one day, and they were like, 'All right, so we're going to choreograph a little fight scene,' and I was like, 'Oh, great. It's 5:30 in the morning. Let me grab some coffee and I'll be right over," "she laughs.

That's all a far cry from her usual day job: teaching middle school students. This might seem at first glance to have little in common with acting, but Hindman says it's been invaluable to her craft. 'As a teacher, one of my huge things is working from an empathy standpoint and kind of just granting these kids an empathetic view of life," she explains. 'I also approach [acting] from an empathy standpoint, because you're putting yourself in another character's shoes and trying to find those connections."

Having a wife who's a strong support system also helps Hindman balance her two careers. The two first met on TikTok, shares Hindman, who sported her future wife on the social medial platform and slid into the comments. "I was like, 'Oh, she's really cute'...and then the weended up messaging each other a little bit," she reveals. From there, they moved to FaceTime, and the rest is history.

Hindman, who is out and proud in her dual careers, made that choice because she needed to be herself unapologetically. "If it costs me friends, if it costs me a job, that wasn't meant for me to begin with," she says. "I don't want to have to hide who I am." —RACHEL SHATTO

Jojo Brown

With credits that include Younger, Billions, Manifest, and Broad City already under her belt, Jojo Brown can currently be seen stealing scenes as the no-nonsense grocery store manager Mindy to Sofia Black-D'Elia's Samantha in Single Drunk Female.

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Brown's performance as Mindy, a recovering alcoholic with endless sass and a love of video games, is the kind of nuanced and authentic storytelling that trans people still don't often get in media, and it's not lost on Brown, who is trans herself, how much that means to fans of the show.

"I love that Mindy exists in a world where she is surrounded by people who love, support, and value her for everything that she is - without her having to fight for it." Brown says. "This gives me the room to have fun and revel in Mindy's multiplicities: She's a queen bee, a mentor, a video gamer, and a fercely confident fisshionists. She can be very snarty but also incredibly tender. Many people from all over have told me they identify strongly with her, and that means the world to me." "ARFY ERMAC.

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Devika Parikh

KNOWN FOR: OWN's "Kings of Napa"
SOCIAL MEDIA: @devikaparikh on instagram and twitter

Q&A

IF I HADN'T BECOME AN Actress, I MIGHT HAVE CHOSEN a talk show host, opening my own bakery or a park ranger!

WHAT IS YOUR STYLE? Casual comfortable. I would never get dressed up or put on makeup if I didn't need too.

THREE WORDS TO DESCRIBE YOU? Friendly, intelligent, funny and fiscally responsible or energetic, if you need a few more.

BEST ADVICE? Trust God.

WHAT IS THE LATEST PROJECT YOU ARE WORKING ON?

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I finished filming 7 of 8 episodes for season 1 of 1the Kings of Napa, and
waiting to find out if it gets picked up for season two. I recently shot an AT&T
superbowl commercial with Demi Maore and Mila Kunis which is currently
running. I Continue to do voice-over work and audition.

WHAT IS YOUR DREAM PROJECT?

I would love to do projects that have an inspirational message. It's been such a challenging, dark season in our country, I would like to do message oriented projects that spread topy, hope, inspiration and laughter. And a huge Disney or Dreamworks animated movie like "Frozen", "The Lion King" "Moana" "Shriek."



Anna Hindman

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IF I HADN'T BECOME AN Actor, I MIGHT HAVE CHOSEN A job in politics.

WHAT IS YOUR STYLE?

Thrifty - I love thrifting so my style varies. Right now, I'm loving trousers and men's sweater vests with gold jewelry.

THREE WORDS TO DESCRIBE YOU?

Warm, determined and bubbly.

BEST ADVICE?

If it's not going to matter in 5 years, don't worry about it.

WHAT IS THE LATEST PROJECT YOU ARE WORKING ON?
A dark script called "Daughter" where the main character finds out a family secret.

WHAT IS YOUR DREAM PROJECT?

I would love to play rates that tell starties of the anti-here, like Dolores in "Mestworld" or Ruth in "Ozark". Characters who are strong women driven by good intentions - protecting family or others - but have to do whatever it lacks is in order to do that. I love the tension that creates. You may root for them even if they're doing "bad" things because you know that they had a dork past or you can understand their ullimate good. Like The Brids in "Kill Bill" - if we ever make Kill Bill 3, my ultimate dracm is to play her dought.

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ANNA HINDMAN

The multifaceted actress empathises with her character while discussing her next creative projects.

Stepping into the shoes of the family-orientated Grace Baker in *American Siege*, Anna Hindman is kicking off 2022 with a bang as she gets to grips with her guntoting character. Available now across all digital platforms, *American Siege* depicts the aftermath of the mysterious disappearance of teenager Brigit Baker — an event which has haunted the small rural town for the past ten years. Grace Baker — the missing teens sister — teams up with boyfriend Roy in a quest to find answers, facing betrayal and corruption along the way. Starring opposite Bruce Willis, Rob Gough, and Timothy V. Murphy, Anna submerses herself within the story, using the plot as a means to reflect on her own family life, and cultivates her ability to empathise in the process.



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10 LGBTQ+ Shooting Stars of 2022

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Inspirational Women In Hollywood: How Anna Hindman Is Helping To Shake Up The Entertainment Industry

What drives you to get up every day and work in TV and Film? What change do you want to see in the industry going forward?

The fact that TV and Film are made from absolutely nothing into these beautiful, sometimes life-changing, pieces of work because a community of people came together to create it — that drives me to get up every day and work in TV and Film. I also believe that TV and Film have the unique opportunity to make someone feel empathy. Maybe you've never gone through the same thing as the main character, but suddenly you're crying. I think empathy is how we create change in the world. I would love to see the industry more accessible — it can be confusing and expensive to start out as an actor. There are some great resources out there and it always helps to have more.







Interview with "American Siege" Actress Anna Hindman

What kind of roles do you like or would like to play and why?

I love playing roles that are the opposite from how I am every day, like Grace Baker. It's so much fun to be someone you usually aren't. The role of the anti-hero is really appealing to me. I also want to be part of more projects that normalize LGBTQ+ characters. I would love to be part of a really cheesy, lesbian Christmas movie.







Constant creation: Get to know 'American Siege' star Anna Hindman

Do you prefer to play characters that you have a personal connection with?

I think my favorite part of acting is being able to use my imagination, so being able to put myself in a character that has experienced something completely different from me is fun. So, I don't necessarily prefer to play characters that I have a personal connection with at first glance, but through working on my character I think I can always find a personal connection. Mostly because I believe that as human beings, we all have similar experiences and emotions, and one of the beautiful parts of tv and film is being an audience member and feeling that connection even if the character doesn't reflect ourselves. I think the same goes for playing characters.



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Interview: Anna Hindman talks about starring in the film 'American Siege'

On being a part of "American Siege," she said, "It was a dream come true, and very surreal. Working with actors like Bruce Willis and Timothy V. Murphy was incredible. When I read through the script for the first time, I was really excited to take on such a dark, action-packed project."

"The town we shot in, Fitzgerald, Georgia, had so much character and I really enjoyed being on location there. One day our cinematographer, Laffrey Witbrod, and I walked to this giant chicken structure. That was fun. At the end of the craziest 8 days I've experienced, everyone on set was one big family. I was really lucky to work with Ed Drake, who was our fearless leader and director. He and I talked a lot about my character, the script, and he had a vision I really trusted in," she elaborated.

She was drawn to her character, Grace, for several reasons. "It was so hard to say goodbye to Grace Baker after filming, she was so much fun to play! What I liked the most was how free she was. She didn't care at all about what people thought. (I wish I was more like that.) There's also a thrill in playing someone who knows what she wants and doesn't have much to lose," she said.







The Bold & Authentic Anna Hindman Talks Her First Feature Film, American Siege!

GB: I read you're heavily involved in LGBTQ+ charities which is so vital and very admirable. What are some of the charities you're currently involved with?

AH: I support The Trevor Project. I'm also a teacher so I deal a lot with youth. Knowing that there is an outlet for them if they are struggling or if they're feeling suicidal, or something in relation to figuring out their sexuality, is important. The Trevor Project is a fantastic resource for youth who are really going through those questioning moments. They also have a lot of resources on their website for mental health, articles about sexual orientation and gender identity. I think giving today's youth a place to do that research on their own in a place where they feel safe is so important. I also support GLAAD. They did a campaign recently, Books Not Bans, which I supported on my Instagram. Some school libraries banned LGBTQ+ books, which I can't believe because now kids don't have access to these affirming books. As an LGBTQ+ educator, I really feel strongly about supporting youth because I've seen it firsthand.





LGBTQ+ ACTRESS ANNA HINDMAN ON HER ROLE ALONGSIDE BRUCE WILLIS IN "AMERICAN SIEGE", BALANCING TEACHING, ACTING, AND OTHER PASSIONS

As an LGBTQ+ actress, what progress have you seen for that community in film over the last few years?

When I was growing up, there were hardly any lesbian couples in TV or film. There was definitely even less LGBTQ+ representation in the ways we see today. I remember, in high school, finding a musician who was bisexual and listening to her songs on repeat, because it was so affirming and I couldn't find that representation anywhere. Today, we have made large steps in the right direction. I love TV shows like "Good Trouble" that show so many LGBTQ+ stories, and movies like "I Care A Lot" where there is a lesbian couple and it's normalized. I wish those existed when I was in high school, but I am extremely grateful there's a place for them in media now.



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ACTRESS ANNA HINDMAN ON 'AMERICAN SIEGE', NEW MUSIC, AND UPCOMING PROJECT

If you had to highlight three of your favorite moments while filming "American Siege" what would they be?

A: "My absolute favorite was the fight scene choreographed by Bobby Laenen. I had a lot of fun learning about everything that goes into making a fight look real on camera. My second favorite moment was when Grace breaks down at one point. I felt this freedom playing Grace, and that scene felt so great to film. I didn't second guess myself and I was able to just experience the scene. My third favorite memory was walking around Fitzgerald, Georgia with our cinematographer Laffrey Witbrod. On top of being an incredible cinematographer, he is a great friend! We walked to this giant chicken that is being built in town, and it was so much fun."







Interview with 'American Siege' Star Anna Hindman

new year equals new opportunities, and Anna Hindman isn't going to miss any chances. The LGBTQ actress started 2022 off with a bang by starring opposite Bruce Willis in the new thriller *American*Siege playing gun-toting Grace Baker, who goes on a quest to discover the truth about her sister's disappearance.

Raised in Connecticut, Hindman got her start in acting when she was six years old after being featured in a commercial for a local power company. She would later earn a BA in Musical Theatre and move to Los Angeles upon graduating to pursue a career in film and commercial work.

Currently, the multitalented performer lives outside of Nashville, Tennessee with her wife, and is a passionate advocate for LGBTQ rights and charities. If that wasn't enough, Hindman also has a love for teaching children, and is working to get her foot in the door of the music industry. She recently released her debut single, "Dislove" on Spotify.





Go away with ... Anna Hindman



W orking on film sets doesn't always offer a lot of downtime. But "American Siege" actress Anna Hindman said she was delighted she had the opportunity to experience the hospitality that Fitzgerald, Georgia, had to offer. "I was lucky to have some downtime to explore (and enjoy) the location," said Hindman, who's based out of Clarksville, Tennessee. "(Fitzgerald has) a cute downtown area with a great coffee and sandwich shop called Our Daily Bread. That was the first place that was recommended to me when I got there. I also ride motorcycles and some of the crew own and work at a motorcycle shop within walking distance from the cafe, so that was cool to look around in. Laffrey Witbrod, our cinematographer, and I also walked to this giant chicken that's being built in town. Someone said it's going to be an Airbnb. I would definitely stay there. Fitzgerald is known for its wild chickens."

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Anna Hindman on Playing The Anti-Hero and Giving Back

As a part of the LGBTQ+ community, you and your wife are passionate about LGBTQ+ charities and volunteer often. Most recently you have worked with Street Envy Motorcycle Club, Columbia Chapter. Can you tell us a bit about this group and what they do? What inspired you to get involved? Yes! Both my wife and I love riding motorcycles, so we were part of that group for some time until we recently moved. We really loved the giving back aspect — they

were part of that group for some time until we recently moved. We really loved the giving back aspect — they collect a lot of items to donate, like school supplies for local kids. We've done charity motorcycle rides with them as well, which are a lot of fun and bring out a lot of other riders who are supporting various causes, like breast cancer awareness.





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Harvey Brownstone Interviews Anna Hindman, Actress, Writer, Singer / Songwriter, LGBTQ+ Advocate







PODCASTS



Anna Hindman talks about her role as 'Grace Baker' in 'American Siege' starring Bruce Willis.

Anna Hindman recently joined host Elias in the cave! You can see Anna portraying the gun-toting Grace Baker in the film American Siege opposite Bruce Willis, Rob Gough, and Timothy V. Murphy.

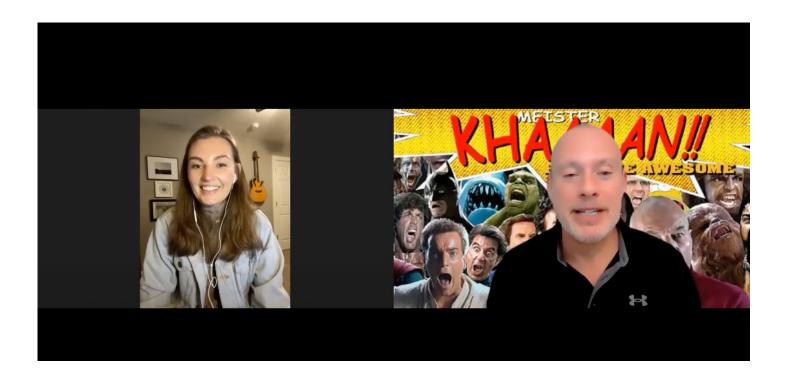
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