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DAYS OF OUR LIVES Search for a Star TOP 3 ANNOUNCED



Foxtel's Arena channel, the producers of *Days of our Lives*, **Corday Productions Inc.** and distributor, **Sony Pictures Television** are excited to announce the top three finalists who have the chance to star on the iconic series *Days of our Lives*.

After three weeks of Arena's online campaign, the casting director and producers of Corday Productions Inc. have scoured over 300 entries and are excited to announce the top three actors who will fly to LA to screen test for the role. The top three finalists are Sydney actor **Alexander Bruszt**, Sydney actor/musician **Andrew Steel** and Gold Coast actor **Tom Dalzell**, currently based in LA.

Arena and Corday Productions Inc. and Sony Pictures Television are offering the chance of a lifetime for these actors to play the role of Fynn, a handsome, rugged Australian doctor who arrives in Salem to do his residency, specifically to gain skills as a surgeon, working under the supervision of Doctor Jonas (Shawn Christian).

Alexander Bruszt and Andrew Steel will be flown to LA at the end of this week, where they will meet fellow finalist Tom Dalzell to do a screen test for the role on *Days of our Lives*.

The role offered to our new found Aussie hunk will hit our screens for the first time, in a 13 week role which will culminate during the show's 50th anniversary celebrations in November. *Days of our Lives* is set in the fictitious Midwestern town of Salem. The core families are the Brady's, the Horton's, and the DiMeras, and the multi-layered storylines involve elements of romance, adventure, mystery, comedy and drama. In true *Days of our Lives* style, our Australian actor's character will find things are shaken up the first day he arrives.

Co-Executive Producer Greg Meng said, "The number of submissions and the calibre of talent we were introduced to through this partnership with Arena far exceeded our expectations, and we're thrilled about testing the top three finalists next week."

The winner will be announced after the screen test in LA and will return to Australia briefly before heading back to the States to film his episodes airing late 2015 in time with the show's 50th anniversary.

Days of our Lives airs **Express from the US at 12.50pm weekdays on Arena**. Arena provides weekly *DOOL* omnibus catch up on Sunday mornings from 7-11.30am EST.

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About Days of our Lives

"Like sands through the hourglass, so are the days of our lives..."

For almost half a century, those words have introduced and underscored one of television's longest running daytime dramas. NBC's Days of our Lives, which turned 49 in November 2014, first premiered as a half-hour drama in 1965 and expanded to an hour 10 years later. The show is currently celebrating the countdown to its 50th anniversary and remains a consistent favourite among critics and fans alike. Days of our Lives is produced by Corday Productions Inc. in association with Sony Pictures Television. Ken Corday is the executive producer with co-executive producers Greg Meng and Albert Alarr. Days of our Lives airs nationally on Arena and in over 25 countries internationally. The show has garnered 39 Emmy Awards, including 2013's Outstanding Daytime Drama, and numerous nominations, as well as multiple People's Choice Awards, GLAAD Media Awards, and Prism Awards. The show's success stems from its consistent commitment to excellence in writing and storytelling - supported by a diverse ensemble of performers - and an uncanny knack for anticipating viewer interests. With its mix of classic genre traditions and ground breaking narratives reflecting modern life, Days of our Lives remains a perennial favourite among viewers of all ages.

