

A Life on the Screen

From *Growing Pains* to *Fireproof*, Kirk Cameron has matured as both an actor and a Christian.

It seems like Kirk Cameron was destined for a career in television and film. He was only 9 when he started acting, first in commercials and then on TV shows. He was even named after his dad's favorite TV character, Capt. Kirk of *Star Trek*, when he was born in 1970 in Panorama City, Calif. Today he's an award-winning actor who most recently starred in the evangelistic movie *Fireproof* (2008). Here's a look at his life onscreen:

TELEVISION

- 1981 *Bret Maverick* (boy #1)
- 1982 *Disneyland* (boy)
- 1982 *Herbie the Matchmaker* (young boy)
- 1983 *Two Marriages*
("Eric Armstrong")
- 1983 *ABC Afterschool Specials* ("Jeff")
- 1984 *Children in the Crossfire* ("Mickey Chandler")
- 1984 *More Than Murder* ("Bobby")
- 1985-92 *Growing Pains*
("Mike Seaver")
- 1988 *Full House* ("Cousin Steve")
- 1991 *A Little Piece of Heaven* ("Will Loomis")
- 1993 *The Horde* ("Chauncey")
- 1994 *Star Struck* ("Runner")

- 1995 *The Computer Wore Tennis Shoes* (“Dexter Riley”)
- 1995-96 *Kirk* (“Kirk Hartman”)
- 2002 *Family Law* (“Mitchell Stark”)
- 2001 *Touched by an Angel* (“Chuck Parker”)
- 2003-present *The Way of the Master* (himself)
- 2005 *Night of Joy* (host)
- 2009 *18 Kids and Counting* (himself)

FILM

- 1981 *Goliath Awaits* (“Liam”)
- 1982 *Beyond Witch Mountain* (boy)
- 1983 *Starflight: The Plane That Couldn’t Land* (“Gary”)
- 1986 *The Best of Times* (“Teddy”)
- 1987 *Like Father, Like Son* (“Chris Hammond”)
- 1989 *Listen to Me* (“Tucker Muldowney”)
- 1991 *A Little Piece of Heaven* (“Will Loomis”)
- 1998 *You Lucky Dog* (“Jack Morgan”)
- 2000 *The Growing Pains Movie* (“Mike Seaver”)
- 2000 *Left Behind* (“Buck Williams”)
- 2001 *The Miracle of the Cards* (“Josh”)
- 2002 *Left Behind II: Tribulation Force* (“Buck Williams”)
- 2004 *Growing Pains: Return of the Seavers* (“Mike Seaver”)
- 2005 *Left Behind: World at War* (“Buck Williams”)

- 2008 *Fireproof* ("Caleb Holt")

AWARDS

Young Artist Award

- 1986 for TV series *Growing Pains* (won)
- 1987 Best Young Male Superstar:
Growing Pains (won)
- 1987 Exceptional Performance by a
Young Actor: *Growing Pains* (won)
- 1989 for film *Listen to Me* (nominated)

Saturn Award

- 1987 for film *Like Father, Like Son* (won)

Golden Globe Award

- 1987 for *Growing Pains* (nominated)
- 1989 for *Growing Pains* (nominated)

People's Choice Award

- 1988 Favorite Young TV
Performer (won)
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Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award

- 1990 Favorite TV Actor:
Growing Pains (Won)