

AN OAK TREE

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AT THIS PERFORMANCE THE ROLE
OF THE FATHER WILL BE PLAYED BY

CLANCY BROWN



Clancy Brown, a prolific and versatile actor, emerged from the fertile Chicago theatrical scene in the early 1980s. Roles such as “Jean” in August Strindberg’s *Miss Julie*, “Aaron” in Shakespeare’s *Titus Andronicus*, and “Geisler” in Glen DeCosta’s *A Constant Wish* brought him to the attention of critics and audiences alike. His film debut as “Viking” in *Bad Boys*, starring a little known actor named Sean Penn, brought him to the attention of Hollywood. In November of 1997, Brown appeared in two highly anticipated features. *Starship Troopers*, director Paul Verhoeven’s adaptation of Robert A. Heinlein’s classic fiction novel, and *Flubber*, a remake of Disney’s “*The Absent Minded Professor*,” starring Robin Williams. In the Spring of 1998, he also appeared in *The Patron Saint Of Liars*, a CBS movie for television.

It is hard to say for which roles he is best known. From the straight-shooting Hong Kong Cavalier “Rawhide” in the cult favorite *The Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai* to the ferocious “Captain Hadley” in the multiple oscar nominated *The Shawshank Redemption*, his career has been both distinguished and quirky. Legions of *Highlander* fans know him as the prototype villain “Kurgan” in the original film that grew into a franchise. Stephen King fans saw him create the hilarious and terrifying “Gus Gilbert” in *Pet Sematary 2*. And on the short-lived, but well-loved, NBC series *Earth 2* he found new fans as the gruff but lovable dad “John Danziger.” His films have crossed the genres from thrillers: *Blue Steel*, *Donor Unknown*, *Past Midnight*, and *Ambition*; to true-life drama: *The Laramie Project*, *Desperate Rescue*, *Love, Lies & Murder*, and *The Man Who Broke 1,000 Chains*; from family films: *Radiant City* and *Waiting for the Light*; and action: *Extreme Prejudice* and *Shoot to Kill*; to animation: *Superman*, *Mortal Kombat*, *The Mighty Ducks*, and *Sponge-Bob SquarePants*. Clancy has also made notable guest appearances on several TV shows, including *Lost*, *ER*, *China Beach*, *Enterprise*, *The Outer Limits*, and *Tales from the Crypt*.