# Melissa Kenney Shepherd

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Height: 5"6" Eye Color: Hazel

Weight: 126 lbs. Hair Color: Brown Voice Part: Alto-Soprano Vocal Range: A-flat3 to E-flat6

### FILM AND TELEVISION

SPLIT *lead* Independent (dir. Chris Mattingly)

#### **THEATRE**

IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE	Mary Bailey	Stage One Family TA (Jon Huffman, Director)
MIRACLE ON 34 <sup>TH</sup> STREET	Female Lead	Stage One Family TA (Jon Huffman, Director)
THE PRINCESS AND THE PEA	Princess	Derby Dinner Playhouse (Becky Jo Schneider, Dir)
THE MISER/ TOURING REP CO	Female Lead	University of Louisville (Dr. Steven Schultz, Dir)

#### MUSICAL THEATRE

A CLOSER WALK WITH PATSY CLINE	Patsy Cline	Melodrama Musical TA (Eric Davis, Director)
PATSY CLINE: A LIFE IN CONCERT	Patsy Cline	Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center (Eric Davis, Dir)
SECRETS EVERY SMART TRAVELER	Female Lead	Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center (Eric Davis, Dir)
ANNIE	Miss Hannigan	Center Stage at the JCC (Frank Goodloe, Director)
MARY POPPINS	Mary Poppins	Center Stage at the JCC (John Leffert, Director)
BIG FISH	Sandra Bloom	Center Stage at the JCC (John Leffert, Director)
CABERET	Sally Bowles	Center Stage at the JCC (John Leffert, Director)
CHICAGO	Velma Kelly	Center Stage at the JCC (John Leffert, Director)
NEXT TO NORMAL	Diana	Center Stage at the JCC (John Leffert, Director)
THE MIKADO	Yum Yum	Melodrama Musical TA (Ed Hopkins, Dir)
DRACULA	Mina	Melodrama Musical TA (Ed Hopkins, Dir)
GREASE	Jan	Melodrama Musical TA (Tony Davis, Dir)

## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

MFA, Acting	University of Louisville	Louisville, KY	
Bachelor of Arts, Political Science	University of Louisville	Louisville, KY	
Suzuki Movement Workshop	University of Louisville	Dr. Bert Harris, Instructor	

Voice Lessons/Singing Private Lessons (10 years) Debbie Sutherland King, Instructor

#### **SKILLS**

VOICE AND SPEECH (Singing, Musical Theatre, Lector of spoken word, British Accent, Dialects) ATHLETICS (Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, Water Skiing, Running, Bowling, Yoga, Fishing) CIRCUS SKILLS (Some Basic Tumbling/Cartwheel, Shoulder Stand)

**VEHICLES** (Automobile, Boat, Bicycle, Jet Ski, and Push Scooter)

MISCELLANEOUS (Trade Show Lead, Live Interviews, Sneezes on Command, Improvisational Performance, Costume Design, Sewing and Garment Construction, Costume Shop Management, Professor of Acting, Public Speaking, Gardening, Drawing, Cooking, Jumping Rope)

**AWARDS** 20-year Service Award (2020 University of Louisville)

Faculty Award/Outstanding Teacher (2005 University of Louisville)