



VANCOUVER'S FAVOURITE TV BOYFRIEND

Joshua Jackson back on the small screen in 'Fringe'

You knew him as Pacey Witter in Dawson's Creek, Charlie in The Mighty Ducks, and the platinum blonde gay guy in Cruel Intentions. Well Mr. Jackson is all grown up now and back on TV in Fox's excellent new drama/sci-fi series Fringe. Fringe is the brainchild of Lost creator JJ Abrams, and is kind of a cross between X-Files and Lost. When an international flight lands at Boston's Logan Airport and the passengers and crew have all died grisly deaths, FBI Special Agent Olivia Dunham (newcomer Anna Torv) is called in to investigate. After her partner, Special Agent John Scott (Mark Valley, "Boston Legal"), is nearly killed during the investigation, a desperate Olivia searches frantically for someone to help, leading her to Dr. Walter Bishop (John Noble, "Lord of the Rings: Return of the King"), our generation's Einstein. There's only one catch: he's been institutionalized for the last 20 years, and the only way to question him requires pulling his estranged son Peter (Jackson) in to help. Jackson showcases mature acting chops without losing the wit and humour that made him enjoyable in the past, and all in all does a great job. Jackson has come a long way since his days at Kitsilano Secondary, and currently splits his time between Vancouver and LA.



HEARTLAND HONEY

Cindy Busby vs. Ashley Tisdale

Recent Vancouver resident and all around beauty Cindy Busby returns to the TV screen in the second season of the Canadian series 'Heartland', airing Sundays on CBC. Based on the popular books by Lauren Brooke, Cindy plays Ashley Stanton, the rich competitive horseback rider who rivals with the series lead, Amy Fleming. Filmed in Calgary, AB, Heartland was the AMPIA winner in 2008 for Best Dramatic Series. Cindy has also recently starred alongside Ashley Tisdale (of High School Musical and controversial nose job fame) in MGM's movie Picture This, playing a contriving, rich and popular girl determined to keep Tisdale's character from going to the party with the most popular boy in school. Busby plays these roles with a delicious sense of bitchiness and she is definitely one to watch for in the future.



OF MUSIC, SPORTS, SNEAKERS AND SKEEZERS

Jay Swing and Flipout's blog awesome source of hip hop old and new

For those too young to know or too old to remember, many many years before the Beat 94.5, Jay Swing and Flipout were two of the instrumental figures in the creation of the Vancouver hip hop scene. As you can imagine, that amount of time in the scene has given them a depth of knowledge about the culture light years beyond the average hip hop fan of today. That knowledge is on display on their (along with fellow Van legend Tony Bandana) excellent blog – ittakesanationofmillionstoholdthissac.blogspot.com – which is an incredible source for the hip hop connoisseur of both new and classic material. It's also a humorous forum for their random ramblings on "music, sports, sneakers and skeezers" It also has the best blog name in the city as far as we're concerned.

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FRENCH PLAYBOY! NON? OUI!

Noot Seear's hottest work ever. Period.

This isn't particularly current, but it crossed our desk again recently and it never seemed to really hit the mainstream radar in Vancouver, so we thought it deserved another mention. Why? Because it's very, very hot. Damn hot. Summer supermodel and Vancouver native Noot Seear appeared in a Playboy France editorial feature shot by reknown photographer Luis Sanchis. Playboy France is nothing like the North American version, it's more of an art magazine really than anything, and their photo shoots are more what you'd see in high fashion magazines. Noot looks IN-CREDIBLE. This is her hottest work ever, Luis is a master, and if you haven't seen it you should look it up right now. Google "Noot Seear playboy france".

