

= Daniel Radcliffe =

Daniel Jacob Radcliffe (born 23 July 1989) is an English actor who rose to prominence as the title character in the Harry Potter film series . He made his acting debut at 10 years of age in BBC One 's 1999 television film David Copperfield , followed by his cinematic debut in 2001 's The Tailor of Panama . At age 11 , he was cast as Harry Potter in the first Harry Potter film , and starred in the series for 10 years until the release of the eighth and final film in 2011 .

Radcliffe began to branch out to stage acting in 2007 , starring in the London and New York productions of Equus , and in the 2011 Broadway revival of the musical How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying . He starred in the 2012 horror film The Woman in Black , and played beat poet Allen Ginsberg in the 2013 independent film Kill Your Darlings .

He has contributed to many charities , including Demelza Hospice Care for Children , and The Trevor Project for suicide prevention among LGBTQ youth , which gave him its Hero Award in 2011 .

= = Early life = =

Radcliffe was born in West London , England . He is the only child of Alan George Radcliffe , a literary agent , and Marcia Jeannine Gresham (née Marcia Gresham Jacobson) , a casting agent who was involved in several films for the BBC , including The Inspector Lynley Mysteries and Walk Away and I Stumble . His father , who was raised in Banbridge , County Down , Northern Ireland , is from " a very working @-@ class " Protestant background . His mother is Jewish , and was born in South Africa and raised in Westcliff @-@ on @-@ Sea , Essex . Her family had originally come from Poland and Russia . Radcliffe 's parents had both acted as children .

In a 2012 interview , Radcliffe stated : " There was never [religious] faith in the house . I think of myself as being Jewish and Irish , despite the fact that I 'm English . " He has stated : " We were Christmas tree Jews " , and that he is " very proud of being Jewish " .

Radcliffe first expressed a desire to act at the age of five , and in December 1999 , aged 10 , he made his acting debut in BBC One 's televised two @-@ part adaptation of the Charles Dickens novel David Copperfield , portraying the title character as a young boy . He was educated at two independent schools for boys : Sussex House School , a day school in Chelsea 's Cadogan Square , and the City of London School , a day school on the North Bank of the River Thames in London 's financial district (known as the City of London) . Attending school became difficult for Radcliffe after the release of the first Harry Potter film , with some fellow pupils becoming hostile , though he says it was people just trying to " have a crack at the kid that plays Harry Potter " rather than jealousy .

As his acting career began to consume his schedule , Radcliffe continued his education through on @-@ set tutors . He admitted he was not very good at school , considering it useless and finding the work " really difficult . " He achieved A grades in the three AS @-@ level exams that he took in 2006 , but decided to take a break from education and did not go to college or university . Part of his reasoning was that he already knew he wanted to act and write , and that it would be difficult to have a normal college experience . " The paparazzi , they 'd love it , " he told Details magazine in 2007 . " If there were any parties going on , they 'd be tipped off as to where they were . "

= = Career = =

= = = Harry Potter = = =

In 2000 , producer David Heyman asked Radcliffe to audition for the role of Harry Potter for the film adaptation of Harry Potter and the Philosopher 's Stone , the best @-@ selling book by British author J. K. Rowling . Rowling had been searching for an unknown British actor to personify the character , and the movie 's director Chris Columbus recalled thinking , " This is what I want . This is Harry Potter " , after he saw a video of the young actor in David Copperfield . Eight months later ,

and after several auditions , Radcliffe was selected to play the part . Rowling also endorsed the selection saying , " I don 't think Chris Columbus could have found a better Harry . " Radcliffe 's parents originally turned down the offer , as they had been told that it would involve six films shot in Los Angeles . Warner Bros. instead offered Radcliffe a two @-@ movie contract with shooting in the UK ; Radcliffe was unsure at the time if he would do any more than that .

The release of Harry Potter and the Philosopher 's Stone (released as Harry Potter and the Sorcerer 's Stone in the United States) took place in 2001 . Radcliffe received a seven figure salary for the lead role , but asserted that the fee was " not that important " to him ; his parents chose to invest the money for him . The film was highly popular and was met with positive reviews , and critics took notice of Radcliffe : " Radcliffe is the embodiment of every reader 's imagination . It is wonderful to see a young hero who is so scholarly looking and filled with curiosity and who connects with very real emotions , from solemn intelligence and the delight of discovery to deep family longing , " wrote Bob Graham of the San Francisco Chronicle .

A year later Radcliffe starred in Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets , the second installment of the series . Reviewers were positive about the lead actors ' performances but had polarised opinions on the movie as a whole . The 2004 release Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban was the third film in the series . Radcliffe 's performance was panned by New York Times journalist A. O. Scott , who wrote that Watson had to carry him with her performance . Next was Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire in 2005 . The film was the second @-@ highest grossing Harry Potter film at that point , and Radcliffe singled out the humour as being a reason for the movie 's creative success .

The future of the franchise was put into question when Radcliffe and his co @-@ leads Emma Watson and Rupert Grint hesitated signing on to continue their roles for the final two episodes ; however , by March 2007 Radcliffe had signed for the final films , which put an end to weeks of press " speculation that he would be denied the role due to his involvement in Equus " , in which he had performed nude on stage . Radcliffe reprised his role for the fourth time in Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix (2007) . Radcliffe stated that director David Yates and actress Imelda Staunton made Order of the Phoenix the " most fun " film in the series to work on . His performance earned several award nominations , and he received the 2008 National Movie Award for " Best Male Performance . " As his fame and the series continued , Radcliffe , Grint , and Watson left imprints of their hands , feet , and wands in front of Grauman 's Chinese Theatre in Hollywood . In July 2009 Harry Potter and the Half @-@ Blood Prince was released , the series ' sixth instalment . Radcliffe received nominations for " Best Male Performance " and " Global Superstar " at the 2010 MTV Movie Awards .

For financial and scripting reasons the last book was divided into two films , shot back to back , which drew criticism from the series ' fanbase . Radcliffe defended the split , stating that it would have been impossible to properly adapt the final novel into a single film . He added that the last movie was going to be extremely fast @-@ paced with a lot of action , while the first part would be far more sedate , focusing on character development ; he added that , had they combined them , those things would not have made it to the final cut . Filming lasted for a year , concluding in June 2010 and on the last day of shooting , like most of the cast and crew , Radcliffe openly wept .

The final film , Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows ? Part 2 , was released in July 2011 . Radcliffe , along with the film , was critically acclaimed : Ann Hornaday of The Washington Post asked , " Who could have predicted that Radcliffe , Grint and Watson would turn out to be good actors ? " ; similarly , Rex Reed said : " Frankly , I ? m sorry to see [Radcliffe] go " ; while Rolling Stone critic Peter Travers commented on Radcliffe : " Well played , sir . " Roger Ebert gave the film a highly positive review , but felt that Radcliffe , Grint and Watson were " upstaged by the supporting [actors] . "

Radcliffe admitted that some people would never be able to separate him from the character , but also said he is " proud to be associated with this film series forever . " Despite positive feelings about the movies , he has no interest in doing more Harry Potter films . After Rowling hinted about writing an eighth book , Radcliffe was asked if he would do another film to which he replied : " [It is] very doubtful . I think 10 years is a long time to spend with one character . " Despite devoting so much time to the series , Radcliffe has asserted that he did not miss out on a childhood like other

child actors : " I ? ve been given a much better perspective on life by doing Potter . "

== 2001 ? 09 ==

Radcliffe made his film debut in *The Tailor of Panama* , an American 2001 film based on John le Carré 's 1996 spy novel , and a moderate commercial success . In 2002 he made his stage debut as a celebrity guest in a West End theatre production of *The Play What I Wrote* , directed by Kenneth Branagh ? who also appeared with him in the second Harry Potter film . In 2007 he appeared in the film *December Boys* , an Australian family drama about four orphans that was shot in 2005 and released to theatres in mid @-@ September 2007 . Also in 2007 , Radcliffe co @-@ starred with Carey Mulligan in *My Boy Jack* , a television drama film shown on ITV on Remembrance Day . The film received mostly positive reviews , with several critics praising Radcliffe 's performance as an 18 @-@ year @-@ old who goes missing in action during a battle . Radcliffe stated , " For many people my age , the First World War is just a topic in a history book . But I 've always been fascinated by the subject and think it 's as relevant today as it ever was . "

At age 17 , in a bid to show people he was prepared for adult roles , he performed onstage in Peter Shaffer 's play *Equus* , which had not been revived since its first run in 1973 , at the Gielgud Theatre . Radcliffe took on the lead role as Alan Strang , a stable boy who has an obsession with horses . Advance sales topped £ 1 @.@ 7 million , and the role generated significant pre @-@ opening media interest , as Radcliffe appeared in a nude scene . *Equus* opened on 27 February 2007 and ran until 9 June 2007 . Radcliffe 's performance received positive reviews as critics were impressed by the nuance and depth of his against @-@ type role . Charles Spencer of *The Daily Telegraph* wrote that he " displays a dramatic power and an electrifying stage presence that marks a tremendous leap forward . " He added : " I never thought I would find the diminutive (but perfectly formed) Radcliffe a sinister figure , but as Alan Strang ... there are moments when he seems genuinely scary in his rage and confusion . " The production then transferred to Broadway in September 2008 , with Radcliffe still in the lead role . Radcliffe stated he was nervous about repeating the role on Broadway because he considered American audiences more discerning than those in London . Radcliffe 's performance was nominated for a Drama Desk Award .

== 2010 ? present ==

After voicing a character in an episode of the animated television series *The Simpsons* in late 2010 , Radcliffe debuted as J. Pierrepont Finch in the 2011 Broadway revival *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying* , a role previously held by Broadway veterans Robert Morse and Matthew Broderick . Other cast members included John Larroquette , Rose Hemingway and Mary Faber . Both the actor and production received favourable reviews , with *USA Today* commenting : " Radcliffe ultimately succeeds not by overshadowing his fellow cast members , but by working in conscientious harmony with them ? and having a blast in the process . " Radcliffe 's performance in the show earned him Drama Desk Award , Drama League Award and Outer Critics Circle Award nominations . The production itself later received nine Tony Award nominations . Radcliffe left the show on 1 January 2012 .

His first post @-@ Harry Potter project was the 2012 horror film *The Woman in Black* , adapted from the 1983 novel by Susan Hill . The film was released on 3 February 2012 in the United States and Canada , and was released on 10 February in the UK . Radcliffe portrays a man sent to deal with the legal matters of a mysterious woman who has just died , and soon after he begins to experience strange events and hauntings from the ghost of a woman dressed in black . He has said he was " incredibly excited " to be part of the film and described the script as " beautifully written " .

In 2013 , he portrayed American poet Allen Ginsberg in the thriller drama *Kill Your Darlings* , directed by John Krokidas . He also starred in an Irish @-@ Canadian romantic comedy film *The F Word* directed by Michael Dowse and written by Elan Mastai , based on TJ Dawe and Michael Rinaldi 's play *Toothpaste and Cigars* and then he starred in an American dark fantasy horror film directed by Alexandre Aja *Horns* . Both of the films premiered at the 38th Toronto International Film

Festival .

Radcliffe also performed at the Noël Coward Theatre in the stage play revival of Martin McDonagh's dark comedy *The Cripple of Inishmaan* as the lead , Billy Claven , for which he won the WhatsOnStage Award for Best Actor in a Play . In 2015 , Radcliffe starred as Igor in a science fiction horror film *Victor Frankenstein* directed by Paul McGuigan and written by Max Landis , which was based on contemporary adaptations of Mary Shelley's 1818 novel *Frankenstein* . In 2016 , Radcliffe portrayed Manny , a talkative corpse , in the indie film *Swiss Army Man* .

He is set to star as American reporter Jake Adelstein in *Tokyo Vice* . In November 2015 he joined the ensemble cast of Shane Carruth's third film , *The Modern Ocean* alongside Anne Hathaway , Keanu Reeves , Tom Holland , Chloë Grace Moretz , Asa Butterfield , Jeff Goldblum and Abraham Attah .

= = Personal life = =

In 2008 , Radcliffe revealed that he has a mild form of the neurological disorder developmental coordination disorder . The motor skill disorder sometimes prevents him from doing simple activities , such as writing or tying his own shoelaces . " I was having a hard time at school , in terms of being crap at everything , with no discernible talent , " Radcliffe commented . In August 2010 , he stopped drinking alcohol after finding himself becoming too reliant on it .

In November 2007 Radcliffe published several poems under the pen name Jacob Gershon ? a combination of his middle name and the Jewish version of his mother's maiden name Gresham ? in *Rubbish* , an underground fashion magazine . He has a close friendship with his Harry Potter co @-@ stars Tom Felton and Emma Watson , and is tight @-@ knit with his family , whom he credits for keeping him grounded .

Sources disagree about Radcliffe's personal wealth ; he was reported to have earned £ 1 million for the first Harry Potter film and around £ 15 million for the sixth . Radcliffe appeared on the Sunday Times Rich List in 2006 , which estimated his personal fortune to be £ 14 million , making him one of the richest young people in the UK . In March 2009 he was ranked number one on the Forbes " Most Valuable Young Stars " list , and by April The Daily Telegraph measured his net worth at £ 30m , making him the 12th richest young person in the UK . Radcliffe was considered to be the richest teenager in England later that year . In February 2010 he was named the sixth highest paid Hollywood male star and placed at number five on Forbes's December list of Hollywood's highest @-@ grossing actors with a film revenue of US \$ 780 million , mainly due to Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows being released that year .

Radcliffe maintains a home in the West Village of Lower Manhattan in New York City . As of October 2012 , Radcliffe has been dating American Erin Darke , whom he met on the set of *Kill Your Darlings* . There were rumours and stories of a possible engagement in mid @-@ 2014 , but Darke's father Ian Darke denied there were any such plans in December 2014 .

= = Views and activism = =

Radcliffe is an atheist . He has been quoted as saying : " I'm an atheist , and a militant atheist when religion starts impacting on legislation " , and in a separate interview , he stated ; " I'm very relaxed about it [being an atheist] . I don't preach my atheism , but I have a huge amount of respect for people like Richard Dawkins who do . Anything he does on television , I will watch " .

Radcliffe is a supporter of the Labour Party . Until 2012 Radcliffe had publicly supported the Liberal Democrats , and before the 2010 general election Radcliffe endorsed Nick Clegg , the Lib Dem leader . In 2012 , however , Radcliffe switched his allegiance to Labour , citing disappointment with the performance of Nick Clegg and the Lib Dems in government , and approving of the Labour leader , Ed Miliband . In September 2015 , he endorsed Jeremy Corbyn in the 2015 leadership contest to succeed Miliband . He is a supporter of a British republic . At the age of sixteen , Radcliffe became the youngest non @-@ royal ever to have an individual portrait in Britain's National Portrait Gallery (NPG) . On 13 April 2006 his portrait , drawn by Stuart Pearson Wright , was unveiled as

part of a new exhibition opening at the Royal National Theatre ; it was then moved to the NPG where it resides .

Speaking out against homophobia , Radcliffe began filming public service announcements in 2009 for The Trevor Project , promoting awareness of gay teen suicide prevention . He first learned of the organisation while working on Equus on Broadway in 2008 and has contributed financially to it . " I have always hated anybody who is not tolerant of gay men or lesbians or bisexuals . Now I am in the very fortunate position where I can actually help or do something about it , " he said in a 2010 interview . In the same interview , he spoke of the importance of public figures advocating for equal rights . Radcliffe considers his involvement to be one of the most important things in his career and , for his work for the organisation , he was given the " Hero Award " in 2011 .

Radcliffe has supported various charities . He designed the Cu @-@ Bed for Habitat 's VIP Kids range (a cube made of eight smaller ones which can be made into a bed , chaise @-@ longue or chair) with all the royalties from the sale of the bed going directly to his favourite charity , Demelza House Children 's Hospice in Sittingbourne , Kent . Radcliffe has urged his fans to make donations , in lieu of Christmas presents to him , to the charity 's Candle for Care program . In 2008 he was among several celebrities who donated their old glasses to an exhibit honouring victims of the Holocaust . During the Broadway run of Equus he auctioned off a pair of jeans and other items worn in the show , for New @-@ York @-@ based Broadway Cares / Equity Fights AIDS. and presenting at the 2011 Gypsy of the Year competition . He has also donated money to Get Connected UK , a London @-@ based free confidential national helpline for troubled youth .

Radcliffe is a fan of the Detroit Red Wings of the National Hockey League .

= = Filmography = =

= = Awards and nominations = =

= ... Thirteen Years Later =

" ... Thirteen Years Later " is the fifth episode of the third season of the American crime @-@ thriller television series Millennium . It premiered on the Fox network on October 30 , 1998 . The episode was written by Michael R. Perry , and directed by Thomas J. Wright . " ... Thirteen Years Later " featured guest appearances by the members of the band Kiss , performing both as themselves and as minor characters .

In this episode , Federal Bureau of Investigation agents Frank Black (Lance Henriksen) and Emma Hollis (Klea Scott) investigate a series of murders on the set of a horror film ? and realize that the production is based on a case Black solved several years earlier .

" ... Thirteen Years Later " proved a difficult episode to produce , with filming requiring a large number of shots to be completed and the script to be adjusted on short notice . It has evoked mixed responses from critics , although the guest appearances by the members of Kiss have been more universally criticized .

= = Plot = =

Federal Bureau of Investigation agents Frank Black (Lance Henriksen) and Emma Hollis (Klea Scott) travel to Travelers Rest , South Carolina to investigate the deaths of film director Lew Carroll (Paul Stanley) and Marta Danbury , the leading actress in his newest film . As the local sheriff guides Black and Hollis through the murder scene , Black realizes that the film is based on a real murder case he investigated thirteen years previously ; he is shocked to learn that the true story is being sensationalized for the screen .

The pair interview the cast and crew as suspects , discovering that many would benefit from either

of the deaths ? producer Kenny Neiderman had been having an affair with Danbury ; Rowdy Beeman replaced Carroll as director ; Ruby Dahl and Ramona Tangent , whose roles in the film will expand without Danbury ; and Mark Bianco , a method actor relishing the opportunity to meet Black , whose role he plays . Also questioned is Hugo Winston , the man whose partner was murdered in the earlier case and who is campaigning against what he sees as a disrespectful production .

The production continues , and after the filming of a pool scene the crew gather in catering ; Beeman discovers a severed finger in his sandwich , recognizing from its ring that it belonged to Niederman . When the sheriff shuts down production , Black theorizes that the killer may target the crew 's hotel ; he and Hollis arrive to find the body of the film 's publicist hanging from a rope . The next day , a film extra (Gene Simmons) confesses to the killings ; Black pokes holes in his story and discovers he is not a credible perpetrator . Regardless , production is resumed ? and shortly afterwards , several crew members are found with their throats cut , while Winston 's body hangs nearby in an apparent murder @-@ suicide .

Black doubts that Winston is the killer , and while Hollis stays in the hotel , he visits the production 's climactic shoot , set during a performance by the band Kiss . As he looks around him , the sheriff 's body is thrown down from the rafters ; as the pandemonium settles , Black realizes that horror films end with the leading lady being targeted ? the killer is after Hollis . Racing back to her hotel , Black discover Hollis fending off a chainsaw @-@ wielding Bianco . Black is able to subdue Bianco after Hollis disables the chainsaw ; the actor then explains that he lacked Black 's insight and had to commit the crimes in order to see through the eyes of a killer .

= = Production = =

" ... Thirteen Years Later " is the second episode of Millennium to have been written by Michael R. Perry , who had previously penned the second season episode " The Mikado " , and would provide a further three scripts in the third season . The episode was directed by Thomas J. Wright , who helmed a total of twenty @-@ six episodes across all three seasons . Wright would also go on to direct " Millennium " , the series ' crossover episode with its sister show The X @-@ Files .

The episode features guest appearances by the members of the band Kiss ? Peter Dinklage , Ace Frehley , Gene Simmons and Paul Stanley ? who each portray both themselves and a small cameo role . However , the band members insisted during filming that their roles be given an equal amount of dialogue , which led to Perry being asked to amend scenes on short notice and fax updated scripts to the shooting locations ; ultimately much of this additional material was filmed but not used in the episode . Ace Frehley was also unenthusiastic towards his role , and requested to play a " 300 @-@ pound black man " instead , wishing to wear a fat suit like those used in the 1996 Eddie Murphy film The Nutty Professor ; he was eventually convinced that such a suit would take too long to fabricate .

Perry has described the production " ... Thirteen Years Later " as being " one of the most gruelling " of the series ' run , citing its abundance of stunt work and physical effects as the cause of this . Perry praised Wright for his ability to direct the episode within the usual time constraints , as he felt the number of shots involved was more akin to a feature film than a television episode . Guest star Jeff Yagher , who played killer Mark Bianco , is the husband of actress Megan Gallagher , who starred in the first two seasons of Millennium as Black 's wife Catherine .

= = Broadcast and reception = =

" ... Thirteen Years Later " was first broadcast on the Fox network on October 30 , 1998 . The episode earned a Nielsen rating of 5 @. @ 4 during its original broadcast , meaning that 5 @. @ 4 percent of households in the United States viewed the episode . This represented approximately 5 @. @ 37 million households .

" ... Thirteen Years Later " received mixed reviews from critics . The A.V. Club 's Todd VanDerWerff rated the episode a " B " . VanDerWerff felt that the episode 's comedic slant was necessary within the wider series , as he considered Millennium 's dark tone to be prone to unintentional comedy and

that a comic episode provided an outlet for this . VanDerWerff found the script to be at its strongest when satirizing the character of Frank Black , but admitted that it " falls apart " when attempting to send up other subjects ; he also felt that the guest appearance by Kiss felt unnecessary and contrived . Robert Shearman and Lars Pearson , in their book *Wanting to Believe : A Critical Guide to The X @-@ Files , Millennium & The Lone Gunmen* , rated " ... Thirteen Years Later " one star out of five . Shearman felt that the episode had the potential to be much better , but that " the whole concept drowns in overkill " . He considered the episode 's characters to too shallow and its commentary to be too heavy @-@ handed to fully execute anything meaningful ; criticism was also levelled at the guest roles by the members of Kiss .