

SALLI RICHARDSON

Biography

The incredibly, talented and beautiful **Salli Richardson** is one of the most sought after leading ladies in Hollywood. Salli can next be seen starring in a lead role in the Warner Brothers \$150 million dollar blockbuster *I Am Legend* opposite Will Smith. In the movie, Salli plays the lead role of “Ginny,” Will’s supportive wife who has to cope with the devastation and despair of her husband’s decisions of fighting off a deadly man-made virus that is unstoppable, incurable. The film is directed by Francis Lawrence and is based on the best selling book by Richard Matheson. The script was written by Academy Award winner Akiva Goldsman (*A Beautiful Mind*). The film will hit theaters December 14, 2007 and promises to be the biggest film of the 2007/2008 season!

In addition, Salli can currently be seen as on of the stars of #1 one show on the SCI FI channel, “**Eureka**.” On the show Salli plays the lead role of “Alison,” who recently took over as the head of Global Dynamics Department. The show’s second season premiered on July 10th to the biggest ratings ever for the channel and has continued to entertain their growing audiences week after week. “Eureka” is produced and distributed by NBC Universal Television Studio and also stars Colin Ferguson and Ed Quinn. The show airs Tuesday nights at 9pm (ET/PT).

Born in Hyde Park, Chicago, Salli knew at an early age that she wanted to act. She remembers her mother taking her to her first audition at the age of 14. It was a play by the daughter of world renowned poet, Gwendolyn Brooks, called, *The Tiger Wore White Gloves*.” Salli blew them away in the audition with her singing and acting skills and was offered one of the lead roles. She remembers just loving the rehearsals and the thrill of acting in front of an audience! She knew from that moment on that she had found her calling. After graduating high school Salli worked in a restaurant in hopes of saving enough money to buy a car and drive to LA to accomplish her dream of becoming an actress. It didn’t take long for her to save the \$700 it took to buy a used car and set sail for Hollywood. Salli quickly got working popping up as a featured player here and there in movies and guest-starring parts on a few select TV shows, but her big break came when she was cast in a strong supporting role in the feature film *Posse*, opposite Billy Zane and Blaire Underwood.

Since her first feature film, Salli’s career has been on a steady journey and she has appeared in several motion pictures and television projects. Her motion picture credits include a strong supporting role opposite Denzel Washington and Derek Luke in *Antwone Fisher*, which won an *Image Award* and an *Independent Spirit Award* in 2003. She has also had starring roles in Dream Works’ *Biker Boys* opposite Laurence Fishburn and the sequel to the Sony Picture’s unexpected blockbuster hit, *Anacondas: The Hunt for Blood Orchid*, to name a few. Salli’s TV credits include a lead role on the hit series for CBS, “Family Law,” which ran for three seasons where she starred opposite Tony Danza and

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Dixie Carter. In addition, she has had a multi recurring arch on the CBS hit drama "CSI: Miami" and has guest-starred on such shows as Lifetimes' "Missing," Fox's "House M.D.," and "Bones" to name a few.

Not one to rest on a her laurels, that is if she had time to rest, Salli will soon be launching a skin care line for people of color called SAVI Beauty. The line will debut in 2008 and will feature the latest products in acne care. The products are unique and not like anything else that will be on the market because it targets the special needs of people of color who have a different kind of skin. In addition, SAVY Beauty is extending there products and coming out with a make-up line in the near future.

When Salli isn't working her hobbies include golfing, riding motorcycles, playing sports, cooking and being a mom.

Salli currently resides in Los Angeles, California.

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