

Jacqueline MacInnes Wood, Star of 'Her Husband's Betrayal,' Says, "Don't Look for Mr. Right"



By Kristin Mattern

Best known for her role as Steffy Forester on *The Bold and The Beautiful*, Canadian actress Jacqueline MacInnes Wood has received three Daytime Emmy nominations for Outstanding Young Actress and has acted in movies like *Final Destination* and Disney's *Skyrunner*. Now the gorgeous brunette is taking a short break from her soap opera schedule to star in Lifetime's movie, *Her Husband's Betrayal*, which premieres tonight at 8 p.m. ET. Stunning and sophisticated, Wood takes her acting

expertise to new heights in this raw and moving feature about a woman who puts herself and her son in danger when she falls in love with a sociopath.

Wood is no stranger to playing intense roles. As *The Bold and The Beautiful* viewers know, for years, she has daily slipped into shoes of the manipulative and sexy Forester. She excels in the rapid world of soap operas, a feat reflected by her many Emmy nominations. "It is always exciting to receive such an honor and to be noticed for the work you do," she shares. "Daytime Soaps aren't easy, and we have to become pretty much one-take specialists." Her long-running career on *The Bold and The Beautiful* and her devoted fan base certainly point to her mastery of the form.

Switching gears from this fast-paced world of daytime dramas, Wood loved working on the movie. Of the talented cast and crew on the set of *Her Husband's Betrayal*, she exclaims, "They were amazing to work with. It was a total joy everyday of the shoot."

In the film, she plays Cathy, a divorcée who had her son at a young age and who thinks she has found love in her second marriage, only to discover she has fallen prey to the charms of a deadly sociopath. The realistic storyline is what pulled the starlet into the role. "I loved the script right away. Immediately, I felt empathy for her character and her struggles. This is not a movie about some unrealistic hot chick with perfect makeup and perfect hair trying to find the perfect man. In fact, it's quite the opposite."

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Sadly, sociopaths aren't fantasy creatures from a horror flick – they're very real. Women sometimes find themselves tangled up in a relationship with a real-life monster. "Who doesn't want to be charmed?" remarks Wood. "Unfortunately, that's what

sociopaths do best, and the lies come in the same bundle.”

Her advice for ladies in this situation is simple: “Get out as fast as you can! Don’t try to deal with them. They will only make your life even more of a living hell.” Love can be blind, and even if it isn’t in an extreme case like finding yourself married to a sociopath, it can be easy to overlook a partner’s flaws when you are in love. “I believe many of us have been there, at one time or another, until you get a rude awakening.”

The actress, who is said to be dating Daren Kagasoff from *The Secret Life of the American Teenager*, doesn’t have a list of who “The One” should be but rather who he *shouldn’t* be. “He can’t be a walking ego; he can’t lack a sense of humor; and most definitely, he can’t be needy or dictate who my friends should or shouldn’t be.” She advises that women shouldn’t look for Mr. Right and should instead “just do what’s right for you. When you meet a potential partner, make sure he is a good fit in your world and doesn’t overtake or undermine it.”

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A huge motorcycle-enthusiast, Wood fell for biking when she was a little girl, a passion she acquired from her Harley-loving dad. “There is great bonding in biking, and I love every year that I see more and more women of all ages getting on bikes and taking control of the handles,” she says. Recently, the celebrity rode through her hometown of Windsor, Ontario as part of a charity ride for angioplasty called Bob Probert’s Memorial Ride. “I rode beside my dad and my sister, Dani Probert, with 1,200 other bikers. We were there on behalf of my late brother in-law, ex-NHL player Bob Porbert.”

There are surely great things on the horizon for this young star. She plans to return to *The Bold and The Beautiful* but is currently taking some time to travel through Europe.

To learn more about Her Husband’s Betrayal, which premieres

tonight at 8 p.m. ET/PT, visit their website. For more information about Wood, connect with her on www.facebook.com/Jacqueline-MacInnes-Wood-154810727878252/ and Twitter @JacquelineMWood.