Celebrity Interview: TV Heartthrob Sterling Sulieman on New ABC Drama 'Station 19'





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One of the hottest actors on television right now is heartthrob Sterling Sulieman. Sulieman is one of the cast members of the new drama, *Station 19*, where he plays Grant. A spin-off of *Grey's Anatomy* and produced by no other than the brilliant Shonda Rhimes, the series centers around firefighters who put their lives and hearts on the line for others. And of course, Sulieman's character Grant is a firefighter.

In our exclusive <u>celebrity interview</u>, we talk to Sulieman

about his current role on *Station 19* and the path he took to get where he is today.

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When asked if he knew anything about firefighters, Sulieman acknowledged that he didn't know too much or have any friends who fought fires when he was growing up. In fact, he says that stepping into this role helped him understand their day-to-day life much better. "It's so interesting, but most of us don't realize the ins and outs of what they [firefighters] do," the actor says. "They do so much more than we know and they risk their lives." He says that this role has been a very eyeopening experience for him.

While talking about his career, the 34-year-old explains that there are many ways an actor can connect to their character. He said when you're preparing for a part, you always look for similarities between you and the person you are playing. "It really makes you examine yourself," Sulieman told us. "I do share some of the same qualities as Grant."

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However, Station 19 was not Sulieman's first encounter with the inspirational Shondaland TV production company. He also starred in their television series, Still Star-Crossed as the power-hungry Prince Escalus. When Cupid's Pulse asked Sulieman what he's learned from working with the Rhimes productions he said, "I've learned a lot from exploring the characters they've given me because they are so three-dimensional," he confessed. "I really have to figure out where they are coming from, and what they do, and it makes me think about my life." After getting offered the role in Station 19, the Still Star*Crossed* alum jumped at the opportunity to work with the renowned producer again.

Many people find their passion by experimenting with different hobbies and interests or they explore what they like and eliminate aspects that aren't as fun or interesting. Sulieman chose acting after trying many different interests. He said that he's had a love for theater and performing arts since the age of seven. "I knew that I wanted to act at a very young age," the Oahu native explained. "I played sports and took art classes, but it eventually came back to acting."

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Sulieman has faced his share of challenges while being an actor. There is always the possibility of rejection or not being successful, but he says that hasn't stopped him from doing what he loves. His advice for people who are starting out in this career is to stay focused on why you love what you do. "Create opportunities for yourself, and it will fall into place," he says.

Before finishing our interview with Sulieman, we had to ask him about his dating life and whether or not he would date another actor. He shared, that he was "single as can be" and dating another actor was very complicated, but admitted, "You never know." Sulieman also explains that dating a non-actor presents difficulties too since non-actors have a hard time watching their significant other kissing someone else on the screen. Well, whatever the future holds in love or career, one thing is for sure, Sulieman is following his passion!

You can catch Sterling Sulieman in Station 19 or by following him on <u>Twitter</u>!

Celebrity Baby News: 'Grey's Anatomy' Star Kevin McKidd and Wife Arielle Welcome First Child on Mother's Day





By Rhodesia Williams

In <u>celebrity news</u>, *Grey's Anatomy* star Kevin McKidd's wife, Arielle Goldrath, gave birth to a baby boy. According to *UsMagazine.com*, this <u>celebrity baby</u> made his debut May 13th, Mother's Day. One of the greatest gifts a woman can receive for Mother's Day is a new bundle of joy! McKidd, 44, posted a black and white photo of Arielle and Aiden on Instagram. He captioned their picture, "Arielle, you're the most amazing mother and I love you both so much!" McKidd used the hastags, "#happymothersday, #forever, #weeAiden, #Arielle, #newlife."

This <u>celebrity baby news</u> makes it a great Mother's Day for Kevin McKidd and his family. What are some ways to show the mother of your children you appreciate her?

Cupid's Advice:

Cupid has a few suggestions on how to show the mother of your kids just how much you appreciate her:

1. Tell her: Let your special lady know how much she means to you. Gifts aren't everything! It is always good to hear that we are appreciated.

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2. "Me" time: Women need their time off. Offer to watch the kids while she goes and pampers herself. She will appreciate that more than any piece of jewelry.

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3. Little things: Women appreciate the little things that show you thought of them all day. Buying her favorite snack or a little stuffed animal you spotted along your travels says a lot.

What are some other ways to show the mother of your children that you appreciate her? Share with us below.

'Grey's Anatomy' Star Jesse Williams Is Expecting First Child





By Kerri Sheehan

The doctor is in! Jesse Williams of *Grey's Anatomy* is suiting up to be a first time dad! His wife, Aryn Drake-Lee, is pregnant. After dating more than five years, the couple finally tied the knot last September in Los Angeles. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u> the baby is due in December.

How do you know when you're ready to have a child?

Cupid's Advice:

Dating is one thing, but parenting is a whole other story. Let Cupid help you decide if you're ready to have a child:

1. You're financially stable: Having a baby is expensive. Before multiplying make sure that you and your significant other can comfortably take care of yourself before you add a third body into the mix.

2. Baby proof your relationship: Having a child is like putting your relationship in a boot camp. If the two of you didn't get along pre-baby then you're doomed.

3. Be happy: Bringing a life into the world is perhaps one of the greatest things a woman can do. However, if you're not happy at where you are in life then having a baby will not solve these problems. Make sure you're 100% happy with yourself before you have a child.

How did you know when you were ready to have a baby? Share below.

'Grey's Anatomy' Star Jesse Williams Ties the Knot





By Nicole Weintraub

Jesse Williams, or better yet Jackson Avery of *Grey's Anatomy*, married longtime girlfriend Aryn Drake-Lee on Saturday evening, according to *People*. The couple has been together for the past five years, prior to Williams' big debut in *The Sisterhood of the Travelling Pants 2*. A guest of the wedding boasted of the couples' love for one another and Williams' smile throughout the entire ceremony. Prior to being an actor, Williams was a schoolteacher in New York while his bride works as a real estate broker.

How do you know if someone is into you for the right reasons?

Cupid's Advice:

Dating is one of the most difficult adventures, especially trying to figure out who is trustworthy. Here are some clues

on how to find out if someone is interested in you for the right reasons:

1. Through thick and thin: If someone truly has feelings for you based on your personality and not your bank account, they will be with you through it all. Whether you are having a good day or a bad day, a person that is truly into you will be by your side through the good times and the bad times.

2. Give and take: A true relationship is a partnership in which both people in the relationship give and take. If someone is only looking for presents and fancy dinners, they are only looking for the value of your bank account. Someone that is with you because they value you as a person will be around for the expensive nights out an about as well as the quiet, low key events.

3. A deeper meaning: If the deepest conversation you can have with someone is when the next paycheck comes around, it's time to start looking elsewhere. A deeper connection goes well beyond money, presents and expensive dates. Whether it be a shared interest in a hobby or a friend in common, the more you can relate to the person, the deeper the connection will be.

Have you ever been with someone who was with you for the wrong reasons? Tell us about it!

Grey's Anatomy Star Sarah Drew Is Expecting Her First

Child





Sarah Drew, who plays Dr. April Kepner on ABC's hit television hospital drama, *Grey's Anatomy*, is expecting her first child with husband, Peter Lanfer. Dr. McSteamy's co-star is thrilled to be starting a family of her own. She follows many of her other co-stars who are already parents, like Eric Dane, Ellen Pompeo and Chyler Leigh. According to <u>People</u>, Drew is the second of the show's stars to have recently announced she is expecting. Less than a month ago, Dane announced that he is expecting another child with wife Rebecca Gayheart.

How do you rationalize being behind all of your peers when it comes to having kids?

Cupid's Advice:

Sometimes it can be tough to watch all of your friends get married and have kids before you. You're happy for them, but you're jealous at the same time. Here are some benefits to the situation:

1. Learn from their experience: Perhaps one of the best things about being behind your peers when it comes to having kids is that you can learn from their mistakes. Keep a journal or make a list on your computer of things to keep in mind based on the things your friends go through. You'll look like a pro when it's your turn!

2. More time for freedom: Once you have a family, there's no doubt that it ties you down to some extent. Most people view this as a good thing and not a sacrifice, but why not live it up while you still can?

3. It's just not time: The easiest way to rationalize not having kids yet is that it's simply not time for you to do so. If your not in a relationship where you're both ready to make that type of commitment, then it's for the best that you wait for that to happen.

What are some other positives about being behind your friends when it comes to having kids? Share your thoughts below.

Eric Dane Loves His Wife Rebeccca Gayheart More Than Ever





Motherhood makes the heart grow fonder, according to *Grey's Anatomy* star, Eric Dane who welcomed baby Billie Beatrice into the world last year with wife Rebecca Gayheart. "I don't know if there's any change more significant that a human being can make than that of a woman becoming a mother. There's no change more dramatic," Dane told *People*. "You know, I'm a hundred times more attracted to her now and I love her exponentially more than I did before. It's just great to see her be a mother." Dane explained by saying he loves that his wife is a "hands on" mother even though the couple does have a little bit of help raising the 14-month-old. "There's not a lot that goes on that she's not a part of."

What are some ways your relationship changes after you have a child?

Cupid's Advice:

A baby can truly change everything in a relationship and make it more remarkable than it already was. Cupid has some important ways:

1. Makes you closer: Raising a child is not an easy task, and sharing the responsibilities of caring for the baby brings any couple closer together. Whether it's who is going to change diapers while the other one makes bottles, teamwork is a necessity.

2. Makes life fun: Bringing a child into this world that's yours is a magnificent thing, and who wouldn't want to have the love and affection you receive from your own baby every single day? It makes life fun, exciting and worthwhile.

3. Makes life occasionally stressful: Having a child is a big responsibility because between working and raising a child, you may sometimes feel you no longer have time for your significant other. No need to worry though! You've now entered a new chapter in your life, which may not be the honeymoon stage, but it's the beginning of something great.

How did your relationship change when you had kids? Share your experience below.