NURSES

DAVID RASCHE Jack Trenton in "Nurses"

David Rasche stars as Jack Trenton, a morally bankrupt white-collar criminal who has been sentenced to perform endless community service hours at the hospital in "Nurses," the comedy series about a dedicated team of nurses who confront personal and professional challenges with heart and spirit. "Nurses" is a Witt-Thomas-Harris production in association with Touchstone Television.

"Jack loves money and hates working in the hospital," says Rasche of the corrupt businessman he portrays. "His credo is 'get what you can, while you can!' and mopping floors really cramps his style!"

Growing up in Illinois, Rasche loved to listen to Mike Nichols and Elaine May on "Midnight Special" radio. He credits them with inspiring him to pursue comedy. When Rasche was attending Elmhurst College in Chicago, he decided to get serious about performing and enrolled in a Second City workshop -- apprehensive about attending alone, he paid a friend to go with him. Eventually Rasche replaced John Belushi as part of the Second City Company, which at that time included Gilda Radnor, Harold Ramos and Bill Murray.

Rasche's 20-year acting career spans stage, screen and television. For two years he starred as TV's "Sledge Hammer," which remains one of his favorite projects. Guest appearances on episodic television include "L.A.

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Law," "The Trials of Rosie O'Neill," "Miami Vice" and "Kate and Allie," in addition to roles in several movies-of-the-week

Rasche has appeared on Broadway in such productions as "Speed the Plow," "Lunch Hour," "Loose Ends" and "The Shadow Box." He has also played extensively Off Broadway and in regional theatre productions.

"The Innocent Man" with Tom Selleck, Woody Allen's "Manhattan," "Delirious" and "Ray's Male Heterosexual Dance Hall" are among his varied film credits.

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