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Alyson Reed  
*Herself / "Ms. Darbus"*

**ALYSON REED** has over 52 years professional experience as an actress, director, singer, dancer and private coach in television, film and theatre. She has worked with such luminaries as Hal Prince, Bob Fosse, Michael Bennett, Richard Attenborough, Blake Edwards, Michael Kidd, Alan Jay Lerner, James Brooks and J.J. Abrams. As a performer, Ms. Reed made her Broadway debut in Fosse's **DANCIN'** followed by: **OH BROTHER!, DANCE A LITTLE CLOSER** and **MARILYN: AN AMERICAN FABLE** for which she received a **Drama Desk Nomination** for Best Actress for her performance as **Marilyn Monroe**. She won both **Tony and Helen Hayes Award Nominations** for her portrayal of **Sally Bowles**, opposite Joel Grey, in Hal Prince's revival of **CABARET**. She starred in Radio City Music Hall's **GOTTA GET AWAY**, the Roundabout's **A GRAND NIGHT FOR SINGING** and can be heard on the cast album. Other cast albums include **OH BROTHER!, DO I HEAR A WALTZ?** as **Leona**, for Pasadena Playhouse. In addition to numerous regional credits, nationally, she has been seen as **Catherine** in **PIPPIN**, **Cassie/Val** in **A CHORUS LINE** and **Joanne Galloway** in **A FEW GOOD MEN**. Numerous television credits range from **GRACE AND FRANKIE, STATION 19, MAD MEN, MODERN FAMILY, GREY'S ANATOMY**; to **NCIS:LA, THE ROOKIE, HOW TO GET AWAY WITH MURDER**, and every other guest spot, pilot and movie-of-the-week ever written.

Parents and children know her as the loveably loopy drama teacher, **Ms. Darbus**, in Disney's **HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL** franchise. Film audiences may remember her portrayals of **Cassie** in Sir Richard Attenborough's **A CHORUS LINE**, or John Ritter's long-suffering wife in Blake Edward's **SKIN DEEP**. She doubled Bo Derek for a dream ballet in Blake Edwards' "**10**", which was later cut from the movie. Other big screen performances include Steve Martin's **SHOP GIRL**, Eleanor Coppola's **LOVE IS...** and **AD ASTRA**, opposite Brad Pitt.