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ACTRESS

Diane Ladd

Inner Ramblings



A 25-year veteran actress nominated three times for an Academy Award ("Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore," "Wild at Heart," "Rambling Rose"), Diane Ladd was hoping for an unprecedented mother-daughter Oscar nomination for "Rambling Rose" and got it. In a quarter-century of performing in film, television and theater, she said she never read a better script than "Rambling Rose" or a role ("Mother") so akin to her true nature.

PRODUCER/DIRECTOR

Lili Fini Zanuck

The Drive of Ms. Lili



Thirteen years ago, young Lili Fini married into the Zanuck film dynasty and began an apprenticeship under her husband Richard. Given a golden opportunity to grow on the set, the bride started at the bottom and proved to be a quick study with talent and taste that translated into several big box office successes.

However, it wasn't all limos and Lear jets for the ingenue, who had to fight for her deserved credits.

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