









## CROWN MEDIA FAMILY NETWORKS INKS EXCLUSIVE MULTI-YEAR OVERALL DEAL WITH LACEY CHABERT

STUDIO CITY, CA – February 21, 2022 – Crown Media Family Networks and **Lacey Chabert** (*Wedding Veil, Christmas at Castle Hart, Mean Girls, Party of Five*) have signed an exclusive multi-picture overall deal, the company announced today. As part of the deal, Chabert will headline and executive produce movies and develop other content for Hallmark Channel and other Hallmark platforms over the next two years.

"Lacey's warmth, talent, relatability, and creative sensibilities have endeared her to millions of Hallmark viewers for more than ten years, making her one of our most in-demand stars," remarked Lisa Hamilton Daly, Executive Vice President, Programming, Crown Media Family Networks. "In addition to shining on screen, Lacey is a prolific behind-the-scenes creative partner, developing and executive producing many of our highest-quality, most-beloved projects. She inherently understands and embodies what our networks are all about – the transformational power of love and making people feel good – and we look forward to continuing our work with her to create heartfelt, compelling stories that will entertain, inspire, and touch our audience."

"My experience at Hallmark, a home to me for over ten years now, has been wonderful and it's beyond rewarding to create characters and develop stories that resonate so strongly with viewers," Chabert said. "I'm also incredibly grateful to Crown's programming team for supporting me as a producer and empowering me to develop and star in projects that bring my passion and creative vision to life. I am so excited for what's next and to continue connecting with Hallmark's audience."

Chabert is an all-time Crown Media fan favorite, starring in many of Hallmark Channel and Hallmark Movies & Mysteries' most-watched original movies. Most recently, she developed, executive produced, and starred in the *Wedding Veil* trilogy, a new movie series for Hallmark Channel. The first installment, which premiered on January 8, became an instant classic, registering as the 2<sup>nd</sup> most-watched non-holiday movie among Households and Women 18+ in network history. Debuting on February 13, the second installment was the most-watched cable program of the week among Women 18+. The third and final *Wedding Veil* movie aired this past Sunday. In addition, Chabert's 2021 holiday movie, *Christmas at Castle Hart*, was the season's most-watched among Women 18+ and Total Viewers. Chabert also stars in and executive produces one of Hallmark Movies & Mysteries' most popular movie series, *Crossword Mysteries*. Chabert's history with the networks began with *Elevator Girl*, her first original movie for Hallmark Channel in 2010. Since that time, she has starred in 24 original movies across Hallmark Channel and Hallmark Movies & Mysteries.

Chabert's resume is as extensive as it is versatile. She received her first break in a cough syrup commercial before successfully auditioning for the Broadway production of *Les Miserables*, in which she played young Cosette for two years. In 1998, she made her feature film debut as Penny Robinson in *Lost in Space*.

Best known for her role as Claudia on the Golden Globe Award®-winning FOX television series *Party of Five*, Chabert has appeared on ABC Family's *Baby Daddy* and ABC's *All My Children*, as well as in several made-for-TV movies, including *Gypsy* starring Bette Midler; *A Little Piece of Heaven* with Cloris Leachman; and Lifetime's *What If God Were the Sun*? starring opposite Gena Rowlands.

Chabert's feature film credits include Warner Bros.' *Ghosts of Girlfriends Past*, starring opposite Jennifer Garner and Matthew McConaughey; box office hit *Mean Girls*, for which she received outstanding reviews and an MTV Movie Award; *Daddy Day Care*, starring as Anjelica Huston's daughter; and A&E's The Brooke Ellison Story, playing the lead in Christopher Reeve's final directorial project.

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