

THOMAS HADEN CHURCH (Lyle Van de Groot) most recently showcased his comedic talents on Fox-TV's "Ned & Stacey." For his portrayal of Ned Dorsey, Time Magazine called Church one of the "six reasons to tune in" to television.

Church's feature film credits include the supernatural thriller "Tales From the Crypt Demon Knight" and "Tombstone."

Growing up in Texas, his early experiences ranged from working on cattle and sheep ranches to collecting road-kill for the Texas Highway Department. While attending North Texas State University, he landed voice-over commercial work which was the beginning of what he thought would be a career in advertising. However, a local casting director encouraged him to audition for a part in an independent film. He won the lead role of the villain, and in 1989, moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in acting.

A scene stealing guest appearance on "Cheers" brought him to the attention of producers who were doing a new show called "Wings." They created the role of eclectic airport maintenance man Lowell Mather, for Church, and he went on to play the character for six seasons.

Church will next be seen in Mike Figgis' romantic drama, "One Night Stand." Additionally, he recently served as executive producer on the independent feature "Scotch and Milk," written and directed by Adam Goldberg.