

Jane Lynch Portrays Sue Sylvester in TV's Hottest Show GLEE

Jane Lynch was born and raised in Dolton, Illinois, the daughter of a housewife mother and a banker father. She was raised in an Irish Catholic family and attended Thornridge High School. She received her bachelor's degree in theatre from Illinois State University and her MFA from Cornell University, also in theatre. She lived in Chelsea for a year and a half.

Ms. Lynch began her career in the theatre but quickly moved on to TV. She starred with MDs, and has made guest appearances in numerous television series, including L.A. Law, Judging Amy, The West Wing, 7th Heaven, Friends, Felicity, Arrested Development, the cult hit Lovespring International, Two and a Half Men, Weeds, Boston Legal, The L Word, Help Me Help You, Gilmore Girls, The New Adventures of Old Christine, Psych, Monk and Party Down, among others, She also appeared in the crime drama Criminal Minds as Spencer Reid's schizophrenic mother.

As of 2009, Ms. Lynch currently appears on the Fox series GLEE. GLEE is a musical comedy-drama television series that airs on Fox. It focuses on a high school show choir (a modern Glee Club) called "New Directions," at the fictional William McKinley High School in Lima, Ohio. Ms. Lynch has won glowing reviews for her role as the aggressive cheerleading coach Sue Sylvester. Sue is part of the William McKinley High School staff and is the coach of the cheerleading squad, the "Cheerios". She detests the Glee Club and their teacher, and attempts to bring them down at any cost. She is jealous of the Glee Club's talent and also holds grudges to unhealthy, almost super villain levels, particularly her desire to destroy the Glee Club for getting money that had once been promised to her "Cheerios".

However, Sue is not completely without her soft-side. She is very loving towards her sister Jean, who suffers from Down Syndrome and who Sue visits as often as she can. This love for her sister caused Sue to donate money to the school to help disabled kids, and to allow a student with Down Syndrome to join the "Cheerios".

Mary McNamara of the La Times wrote, "Ms. Lynch alone makes GLEE worth watching." On August 29, 2010, Ms. Lynch won the Primetime Emmy Award for Outstanding Supporting Actress -- Comedy Series.

Ms. Lynch recently helped unveil a wax figure of her famous character Sue Sylvester from the, Fox hit series at Madame Tussaud's in Hollywood. While Ms. Lynch commented that it was an amazing honor, she also compared the experience to seeing herself in a coffin.

GLEE can be seen on Fox on Tuesday nights at 8 p.m., and the show's public relations department has recently launched a facebook page at www.facebook.com/GLEE.

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