

## **ACTOR BIOGRAPHIES**

### **Mason Cotton**

BILLY (LEAD ACTOR)

<http://www.imdb.com/name/nm2656869/>

Mason Vale Cotton auditioned for his first acting job at age 5 for the show “Medium” and won the role, very soon thereafter he became a series regular on the show “Desperate Housewives” where he played Teri Hatcher’s son MJ.

As the end of that series was soon approaching he won the role of Bobby Draper on the show “Mad Men”. He would occasionally play both rolls in the same week.

Mason has also had a very successful voice-over career. He plays the voice of NEMO and Bambi in several learning games and plush toys. Most recently he played the role of Arnold in the Nickelodeon Animation movie “Hey Arnold The Jungle Movie” airing November 2017.

Mason has been in several movies but got his first lead role in the movie Russell Madness, where he got to work with animals and do many of his own stunts. When Mason isn’t acting he likes to play football. He currently plays for the LA City Ducks Senior Team. Mostly Mason is a regular kid who goofs around with his older brother Maxwell and dog Bogart.

He currently resides with his mother Hillary, father Jason and brother in Los Angeles.

## **Rio Mangini**

ROY (LEAD ACTOR)

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14 year old Rio Mangini is a classical piano prodigy and actor. Rio made his Carnegie Hall debut at 9 years old~ and was back 6 months later for an encore performance at the worlds most prestigious venue. He was invited back for a third performance- but his acting schedule took over.

Rio embarked on his acting career starring in the award winning AFI short film "Six Letter Word" as the autistic son of Rumer Willis. The film went on to screen Cannes. He followed with "The Little Rascals Save the Day" for Universal Studios and quickly segued into television.

Rio made guest appearances on shows such as "Marvin Marvin" (Nickelodeon), "Good Luck Charlie" (Disney), "See Dad Run": (Nick at Nite), "Switched at Birth" (ABCFamily) and several episodes of the hit Disney Series "Kickin-it". To this day he receives fan mail from Kickin it! He shot a pilot and voiced animated characters on "Doc Mc Stuffins", "Miles from Tomorrowland" (Disney) and the Dreamworks Animated Feature B.O.O. Bureau of Otherworldly Operations starring Melissa McCarthy, Seth Rogan and Bill Murray.

Rio spent 2014-2016 on Nickelodeon as intrepid-mustached sports reporter "Ace Mc Fumbles" on the popular series "Bella and the Bulldogs". During his two seasons on the network he starred in the movie "One Crazy Cruise" and "Ho Ho Holiday Special"

Rio has garnered 4 Young Artist Awards, 1 Young Entertainer Awards and numerous piano awards. He continues his piano studies and performances~ practicing daily despite his heavy schedule and performing at charity events.

Recently- Rio voiced the titular character in the Cartoon Network short "Lasso and Comet" (Lasso) and has just wrapped the feature film "Bitch" for Marvista/Spectrelevision starring Marianna Palka, Jason Ritter and Jaime King.

He is repped by Abrams Artists Agency, Pallas Management Group and DPN Talent.

Review for Super:

<https://alexisjoyvipaccess.com/2016/11/20/article-who-is-the-best-superhero-rio-mangini-and-mason-cotton-decide-in-their-short-super/>

Official Website for production company:

[www.jimdandyent.com](http://www.jimdandyent.com)

## **Director Statement**

The idea of "SUPER" started with the concept for two friends arguing about whose favorite super hero would win in a fight. This particular scenario I have found myself in many times, with my childhood best friend, my best collage roommate and then again with the character designer of the film.

Over the course of design of the animated characters, Rob Ingram and I found our selves debating the merits of the animated super heroes and who was the best. It was great fun and helped with the style of escalation in this film.

Then as we moved into VFX with Tim Latham, It was even more apparent we had collected the best team, for he challenged us even more with the type of moves and which hero was better. It was like my childhood all over again.

We all worked vary hard and vary long on this little film and everyone poured there heart and soul and all of there artistic fiber into this film. I think the final product captures the essence of being a kid and making a new friend, who likes the same things and you, more than anything out there.

So from all of us,

Thank you and enjoy SUPER!

Jacob Keller  
Director - SUPER