



CHELSEA ALDEN

BIOGRAPHY

Chelsea Alden has quickly become one to watch in the entertainment industry, bringing diverse and dynamic characters to life on the big and small screens. This year Alden can be seen starring opposite Katherine Langford and Dylan Minnette on Netflix's critically acclaimed mystery drama series "13 Reasons Why." The series follows the story of Hannah Baker (Langford) who explains why she committed suicide to her high school peers through a collection of cassette tapes she left behind. Alden joins the cast for season two and shines as Mackenzie, a witty, intuitive, and artsy high school student who isn't afraid to speak her mind. Season two premiered in May 2018 and was renewed for a third season.

Alden can also be seen in HBO Films' Emmy-nominated indie drama "The Tale" opposite Laura Dern, which premiered at the 2018 Sundance Film Festival. The movie tells the story of filmmaker and professor Jennifer (Dern) as she is forced to re-examine her first sexual relationship and the stories that she has been telling herself in order to survive. Alden plays Samantha, a bright eyed young student in Jennifer's class. "The Tale" premiered on HBO in May 2018.

On the film front, Alden can be seen in Universal Pictures' horror film, "Unfriended: Dark Web" which is a stand-alone sequel to the 2014 film "Unfriended." It was released in theaters on July 20, 2018. She can also be seen starring in the short film "The Human Project," which is currently making the rounds on the festival circuit and is premiering at the 2018 LA Shorts International Film Festival. She also holds Executive Producer credits on the project. Alden is continuing to study producing and directing, and hopes to start her own production company in the future.

Additional credits for Alden include: recurring on FX's anthology series "American Horror Story: Roanoke" as a young and hungry PA named Alissa opposite Kathy Bates, ABC's "Grey's Anatomy," Netflix's "The Ranch," HBO's "Veep," The CW's "Jane The Virgin" and the season fifteen finale of CBS' "NCIS."

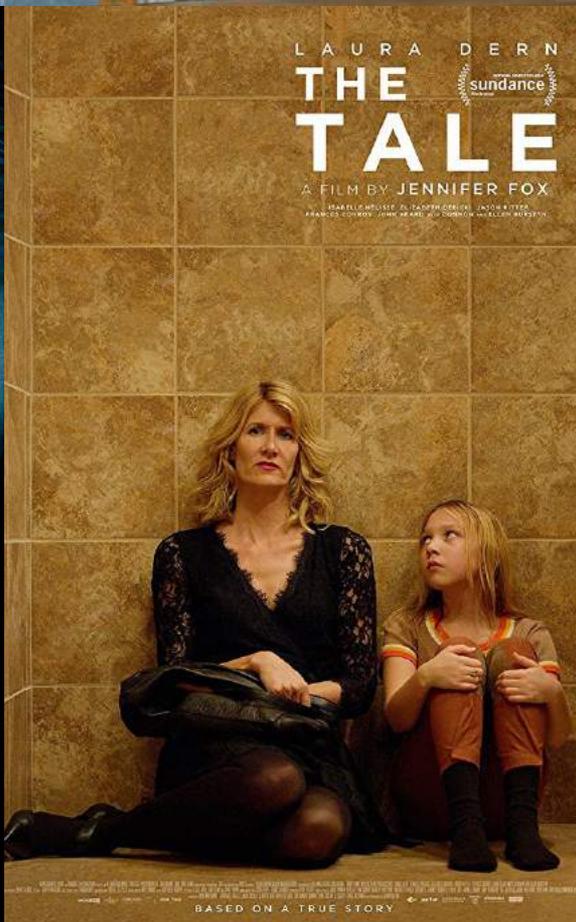
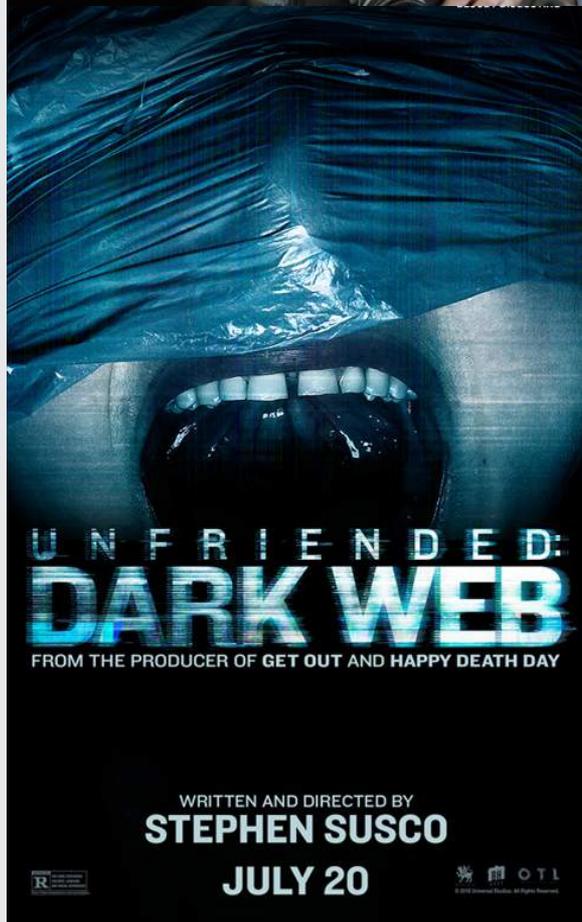
Born and raised in Southern California, Alden began acting at a young age in local theatre and appeared in a handful of national commercials. She spent some time living in New York City with her family during her adolescence, attending the Professional Performing Arts School in Manhattan and soaking up all the city had to offer. While acting was always one of Alden's greatest passions, she also has an innate love and ability in music. After high school she attended the Musicians Institute in Los Angeles, to further hone her craft.

Today, Alden continues to play music and sing, with goals to approach the world of musical theatre in the future.

She currently resides in the Los Angeles area. In her spare time, she loves to spend time with her dog Sassy, practice yoga, dance, cook and try out new recipes, read sci-fi and historical fiction books and learn more about cars. Alden is a proud owner of an older Land Rover Discovery that she doesn't plan on trading in anytime soon.



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Before You Binge *13 Reasons Why* Season 2, Get to Know the Show's Fresh Faces

Who she plays:

Mackenzie, Cyrus's outspoken and artsy sister (see Bryce Cass, below).

Her take on season 1:

"I loved the first season and was already a fan before I joined the cast for season 2. So I was very excited to be a part of the show, because despite the controversy, I heard so many wonderful stories of people being impacted positively by the show as well."

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This *13 Reasons Why* Star Shares the Importance of Self-Care Off Set

Netflix's *13 Reasons Why* does not shy away from controversy, instead, it learns from it. The first season of the teen drama sparked [widespread conversations](#) with its depiction of [teen suicide](#) and sexual assault, and [Season 2](#) is gearing up to be just as heavy. Producers have introduced resources—like [13ReasonsWhy.info](#) and the *13 Reasons Why Discussion Series*, which shows the actors talking about sensitive issues from the show—but cast members are making sure they keep their own mental health in check, too.

Chelsea Alden is among a fleet of new faces in the upcoming season, which starts streaming on May 18, and knowing the heavy nature of the material, she made sure that self-care was a priority. In Season 2, Alden will be playing a character named Mackenzie, a “[witty and artsy](#)” student at Liberty High who isn't afraid to speak her mind. Mackenzie is the younger sister to Cyrus, another new character who is described as an “edgy, cynical mischief maker.” Intrigued? So are we.

FLARE recently chatted with the actor about the importance of managing mental health and how she de-stresses after an intense day on set.

<http://www.flare.com/tv-movies/chelsea-alden-13-reasons-why/>

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"13 Reasons Why" Star Chelsea Alden Shares Her Favorite Season 3 Fan Theory So Far

The second season of *13 Reasons Why* answers questions and tells the other side of Hannah's story, but it also leaves so many things unsolved. (Check out these [seven season 2 plot holes fans caught onto](#).) Plus, [it introduces tons of new characters](#) that people are now eager to learn more about.

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13 Reasons Why Actress Chelsea Alden on Overcoming Fear & Staying Inspired

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Interview with
Chelsea Alden

by RAMONA ATKIN

from the Series
13 REASONS WHY

Q. How did you figure out you had a passion for acting?

A. I always loved performing, and found inspiration watching other people on screen. I started dancing and singing on stage at a young age, doing community theatre and school productions. I was really shy in person as a kid, but I could get on stage or in front of a camera and feel so strong and confident. I loved it and knew it was what I wanted to do with my life.

Q. Did you grow up in California or you moved there for acting?

A. I actually grew up here in Los Angeles! I've had people call me a "unicorn," because it's so rare to meet people who are actually from California. I love unicorns, so that's always fun to hear! I think I got very lucky to not have had to move across the country to pursue my dreams, and I have so much admiration for those who do make that leap. It takes so much dedication, heart and persistence.

Q. Do you remember your audition for "13 Reasons Why"?

A. Yes! I actually sent in a tape for the role of Mackenzie, and immediately connected with her. I loved that she was sweet and sincere, and I was



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less alone. Knowing that the show connects with people in that way, is really incredible.

Q. Where do you see yourself in 10 years and what are some of your goals?

A. I would love to continue on this path, working more in film and TV! Knock on wood! It would be so fun to work on a period film, a western or a British drama. Last year I produced my first project, a short film called "The Human Project" that I'm really proud of. Somewhere over the next few years I'd love to try more producing or even directing!

Q. Any advice for those who want to pursue an acting career?

A. Stay persistent and celebrate every little success along the way! It can be a long journey, and it can be very easy to judge yourself or compare yourself to others. But if you're passionate and surround yourself with supportive people it can be really fun... and study the classics! Read plays, watch the masters, there's so much to learn from!

really excited to bring her to life. It was a fast casting experience too, I sent in my tape and within a week I was on set filming!

Q. What are some of the best moments from filming and why?

A. I think one of my favorite moments from filming was my very first day, when Mackenzie meets Tyler in the library. Since it was my first day on set and meeting the rest of the cast, I knew I was starting on a journey with some really amazing people.

Q. Can you tell us a few fun/interesting facts that your fans would love to know?

A. Sure! Let's see... I have a big fluffy dog named Sassy, who I love and adore! My very first TV job was a commercial for Burger King. I have an older brother named Miles, and I love watching the Food Network!

Q. What is your favorite part of "13 Reasons Why"?

A. I think my favorite part of "13 Reasons Why" has been hearing the personal stories from fans. I've had people, young girls especially, tell me how the show has impacted their lives and made them feel heard and

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'13 Reasons Why' Star Chelsea Alden Talks Season 2 Controversies, Mackenzie's Role & More

Season 2 of *13 Reasons Why* has only been streaming on Netflix for a few days, and already it's one of the most buzzed-about shows right now. Much like with its first season, the series has been steeped in controversy as it depicts sexual assault, bullying, and gun violence.

Along with these renewed controversies comes a slew of new characters who become pivotal in the stories of the original characters fans met last season. In Tyler Down's (Devin Druid) case, that would be Chelsea Alden's Mackenzie and her brother Cyrus (Bryce Cass). Unlike the rest of the kids at Liberty High, Mackenzie treats Tyler with uninfluenced kindness, while he deals with severe bullying and [Spoiler] sexual assault.

<https://www.tvinsider.com/692300/13-reasons-why-season-2-chelsea-alden-interview-mackenzie/>

'13 Reasons Why': Get to Know Season 2 Additions Anne Winters & Chelsea Alden

If you've already started binging Season 2 of Netflix's wildly popular series *13 Reasons Why*, you may be wondering about two of Liberty High's newest faces. And if not, we've got some early scoop for you!

Now streaming on Netflix, Season 2 continues the story of those wrapped up in Hannah Baker's (Katherine Langford) tragic suicide, while her parents take the school to court. But in the pursuit of justice, yet another mystery comes to light as new characters come into play.



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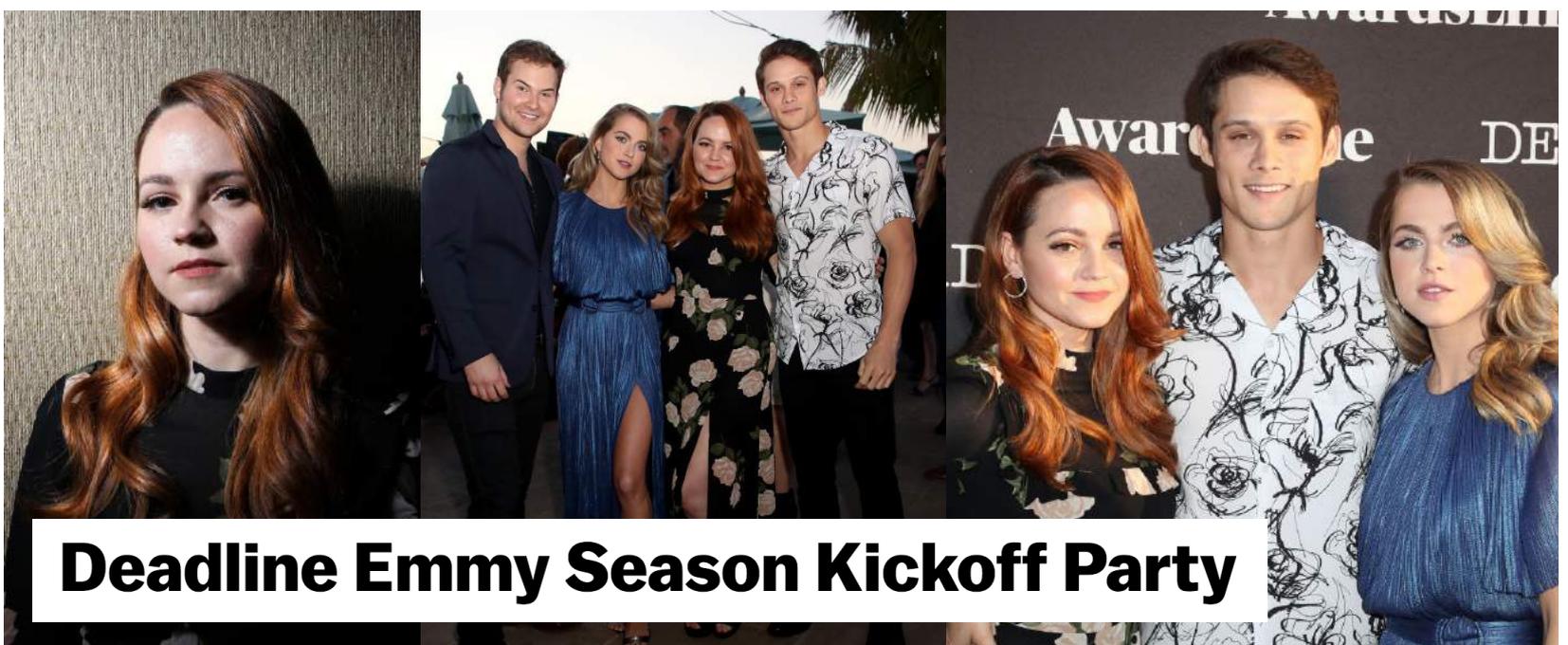


Mackenzie From '13 Reasons Why' Reveals Details About Tyler & I Need Season 3 – EXCLUSIVE

Every teen drama needs a sweet romance to truly solidify its status as a record of the teenage experience, and Season 2 of *13 Reasons Why* checked off that box with its reveal of Zach and Hannah's secret summer fling. Receiving a little less screen time was the short-lived romance between Mackenzie and Tyler, but Mackenzie's understanding of conflicting outsider Tyler appealed to fans, making Tyler's own Season 2 ending even more heartbreaking. Elite Daily spoke to Chelsea Alden, who plays Tyler's artistic new love interest, and she [revealed details about Tyler](#) that will make you crave a Season 3 ASAP.

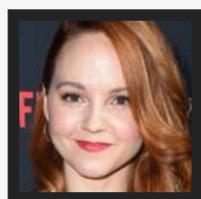
First appearing in Cyrus's merry band of misfits in Season 2, Mackenzie quickly extinguishes any fan assumptions that she shares Cyrus's edgy, almost intimidating persona. She introduces herself to Tyler, who is clearly smitten at first sight, and when the show reveals that she's Cyrus's sister, *13 Reasons Why* proceeds to turn that beloved "guy dates his friend's sister" trope upside down. While Tyler's controversial photographs of Hannah continue to get him into trouble with other peers, Mackenzie represents a clean slate for Tyler, being one of the seemingly few Liberty High students who is disconnected from the details of Hannah's death.

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Actress Chelsea has starred in shows such as American Horror Story, Veep and Get Spy, but this year she's set to break out with a role in the second season of the Netflix hit 13 Reasons Why which debuts on the streaming service in May. Other upcoming credits include The Tale with Laura Dern, which premiered at Sundance earlier this year. Brand affinities for her audience on Twitter include Call of Duty, PlayStation and Nike, making her a perfect match for gaming brands looking to widen their brand awareness.

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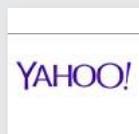
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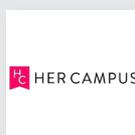
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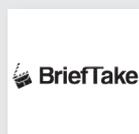
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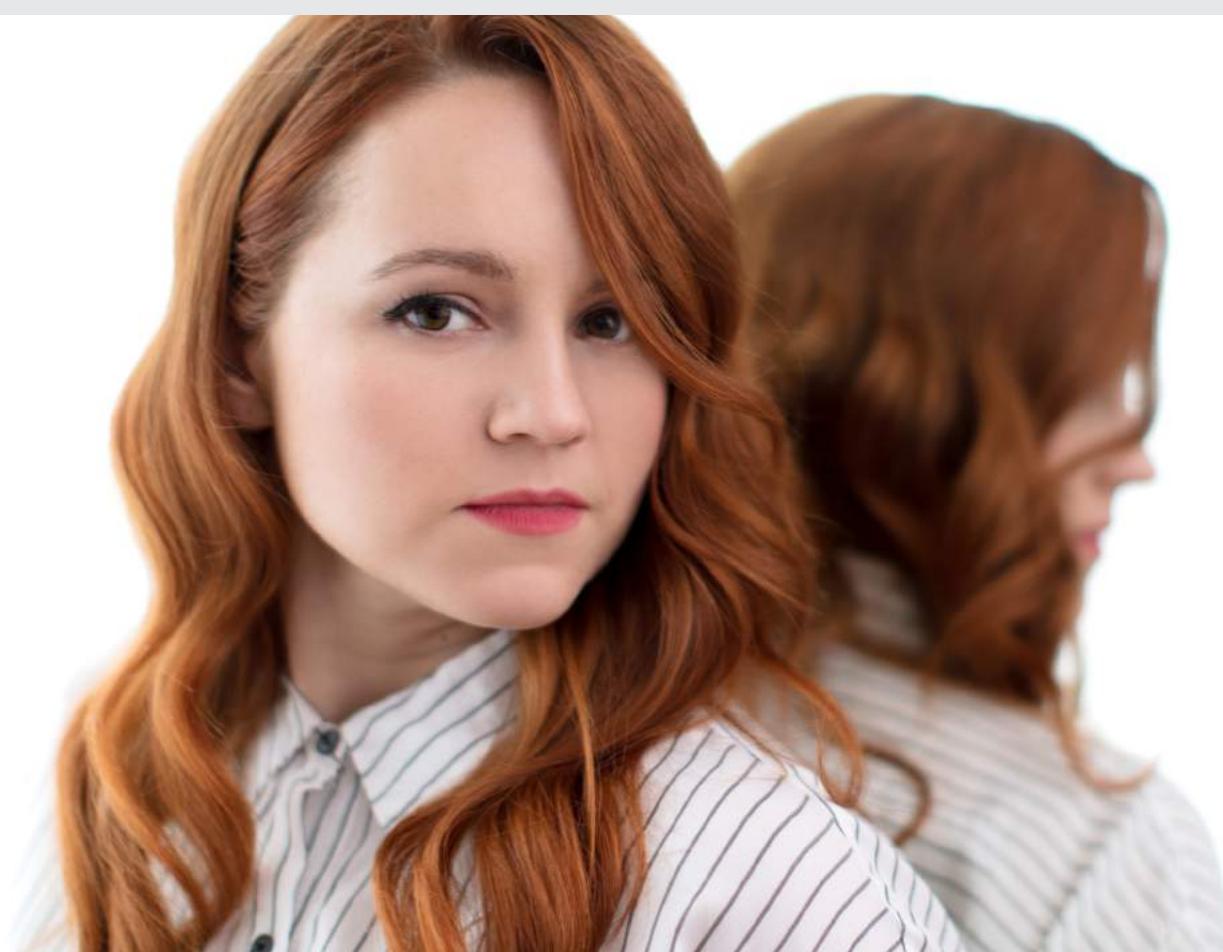
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