

## **Frank Bonner**

Frank has been a working director and actor for over twenty-five years. Initially working together on stage in Los Angeles with Dick DeCoit, the two of them share an affinity for high production value and an old-school work ethic.

Best known as Herb in WKRP in Cincinnati, the role became a springboard into directing numerous episodes of the show. In fact, his work was so well received that he soon found himself directing episodes of other sitcoms including Family Ties, Who's The Boss? The Famous Teddy Z, Frank's Place and Just the Ten of Us.

As an actor, his regular role on WKRP and a recurring role on Just the Ten of Us highlight a career which also features guest star appearances on Carol and Company, Night Court, Murder She Wrote, and Scarecrow and Mrs. King...to name a few credits in a long, long list.

Bonner is also a film veteran, with credits including Hearts of the West, Las Vegas Lady, The Equinox, and The Hoax.

On stage he won the Los Angeles Drama Critic's Circle Award for his work in The Sign in Sidney Brustein's Window.

# Filmography

## [IMDB Profile](#)

2013 [Crime and Consequences](#) (TV series) ([filming](#))

2013 [Under the Hollywood Sign](#) ([completed](#))  
Larry

2008 [Remembering Phil](#)  
Motel Clerk

2004 [Shut Up and Kiss Me!](#)  
Harvey Ballister

2004 [A Norwegian Lunch](#) (short)  
Teacher

2003 [A Light in the Forest](#)  
Kimmel

2000 [City Guys](#) (TV series)  
Jake  
– [Meet Mr. History](#) (2000) ... Jake

1998 [Motel](#)  
Gressil

1994-1997 [Saved by the Bell: The New Class](#) (TV series)  
Mr. Harrington / Big Ed Harrington / Mr. Ed Harrington / ...  
– [Big Sister Blues](#) (1997) ... Mr. Spalding  
– [Farewell Dance](#) (1994) ... Mr. Ed Harrington  
– [Christmas in July](#) (1994) ... [Big Ed Harrington](#)  
– [Let the Games Begin](#) (1994) ... [Mr. Harrington](#)  
– [All Play and No Work](#) (1994) ... [Mr. Harrington](#)

1995 [The Colony](#) (TV movie)  
Frank Williamson

1995 [The Mommies](#) (TV series)  
Director  
– [Selling Out](#) (1995) ... Director

1991-1993 [The New WKRP in Cincinnati](#) (TV series)  
Herb Tarlek  
– [Chicago Story](#) (1993) ... [Herb Tarlek](#)  
– [Treasure of Sierra Smith](#) (1993) ... [Herb Tarlek](#)  
– [Johnny Goes Hollywood](#) (1993) ... [Herb Tarlek](#)  
– [Fever in the Morning](#) (1993) ... [Herb Tarlek](#)  
– [Murder by Les](#) (1993) ... [Herb Tarlek](#)  
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1991 [Harry and the Hendersons](#) (TV series)  
– [The Terror of the Trees](#) (1991)

1988-1990 [Just the Ten of Us](#) (TV series)

Father Robert Hargis

- [Ratboy Lives](#) (1990) ... [Father Robert Hargis](#)
  - [Snow Job: Part 2](#) (1990) ... [Father Robert Hargis](#)
  - [Snow Job: Part 1](#) (1990) ... [Father Robert Hargis](#)
  - [Comedy Tonight](#) (1990) ... [Father Robert Hargis](#)
  - [St. Augie's Blues: Part 2](#) (1989) ... [Father Robert Hargis](#)
- [See all 17 episodes](#) »

1990 [Going Under](#)

Soviet General

1988 [You Can't Hurry Love](#)

Chuck Hayes

1986 [Sidekicks](#) (TV series)

Det. R.T. Mooney

- [I Remember Mama, But Does She Remember Me?](#) (1986) ... [Det. R.T. Mooney](#)
- [My Dad's Bigger Than Yours](#) (1986) ... [Det. R.T. Mooney](#)
- [Down and Out in Van Nuys](#) (1986) ... [Det. R.T. Mooney](#)
- [My Dad the Crook](#) (1986) ... [Det. R.T. Mooney](#)
- [Open House](#) (1986) ... [Det. R.T. Mooney](#)

1985-1986 [Night Court](#) (TV series)

Preston Cowdrey / Seller

- [Prince of a Guy](#) (1986) ... Preston Cowdrey
- [Mac and Quon Le: No Reservations](#) (1985) ... Seller

1985-1986 [Scarecrow and Mrs. King](#) (TV series)

Henry 'Buck' O'Connell

- [Dead Men Leave No Trails](#) (1986) ... [Henry 'Buck' O'Connell](#)
- [Utopia Now](#) (1985) ... [Henry 'Buck' O'Connell](#)
- [Tail of the Dancing Weasel](#) (1985) ... [Henry 'Buck' O'Connell](#)

1986 [Murder, She Wrote](#) (TV series)

Earl Fargo

- [Murder in the Electric Cathedral](#) (1986) ... Earl Fargo

1986 [Blacke's Magic](#) (TV series)

Hal Renquist

- [Death Goes to the Movies](#) (1986) ... Hal Renquist

1986 [Punky Brewster](#) (TV series)

Cheapo Chester

- [Cherie Lifesaver](#) (1986) ... Cheapo Chester

1986 [The Longshot](#)

Realtor

1986 [New Love, American Style](#) (TV series)

- [Love and Marriage Test/Love and the Teenage Daughter](#) (1986)

1985 [Crazy Like a Fox](#) (TV series)

- [Requiem for a Fox](#) (1985)

1985 [George Burns Comedy Week](#) (TV series)

Stu

– [Home for Christmas](#) (1985) ... Stu

1982-1985 [Gimme a Break!](#) (TV series)

Officer Baxter / Warren

– [Police Mamas](#) (1985) ... Warren

– [The Chief's Gay Evening](#) (1982) ... Officer Baxter

1985 [Matt Houston](#) (TV series)

– [Death Watch](#) (1985)

1984 [Simon & Simon](#) (TV series)

Brad Daniels

– [Deep Cover](#) (1984) ... Brad Daniels

1984 [No Man's Land](#) (TV movie)

Deputy Thad Prouty

1984 [The Duck Factory](#) (TV series)

Mel Kemper

– [The Annie](#) (1984) ... Mel Kemper

1984 [Legmen](#) (TV series)

Leo Gibson

– [I Shall Be Re-Released](#) (1984) ... Leo Gibson

1984 [Newhart](#) (TV series)

Mr. Pack

– [Kirk Pops the Question](#) (1984) ... Mr. Pack

1981-1983 [The Love Boat](#) (TV series)

Ben Phillips / Dr. Jonathan Hunt

– [The Captain's Replacement/Sly as a Fox/Here Comes the Bride - Maybe](#) (1983) ... Ben Phillips

– [Country Blues/Daddy's Little Girl/Jackpot](#) (1981) ... Dr. Jonathan Hunt

1982 [The Facts of Life Goes to Paris](#) (TV movie)

Garth Kiley

1978-1982 [WKRP in Cincinnati](#) (TV series)

Herbert 'Herb' Tarlek

– [Up and Down the Dial](#) (1982) ... [Herbert 'Herb' Tarlek](#)

– [To Err Is Human](#) (1982) ... [Herbert 'Herb' Tarlek](#)

– [The Impossible Dream](#) (1982) ... [Herbert 'Herb' Tarlek](#)

– [The Creation of Venus](#) (1982) ... [Herbert 'Herb' Tarlek](#)

– [Dear Liar](#) (1982) ... [Herbert 'Herb' Tarlek](#)

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1981 [Fantasy Island](#) (TV series)

Jack Simon

– [Romance Times Three/Night of the Tormented Soul](#) (1981) ... Jack Simon

1978 [Rainbow](#) (TV movie)

1977 [Man from Atlantis](#) (TV series)

Bartender

– [C.W. Hyde](#) (1977) ... Bartender

1976 [Police Woman](#) (TV series)

Donny's Father

– [The Pawn Shop](#) (1976) ... Donny's Father

1974-1975 [Cannon](#) (TV series)

Allecino / Bill

– [The Victim](#) (1975) ... Bill

– [Kelly's Song](#) (1974) ... Allecino

1975 [Las Vegas Lady](#)

Claude

1974 [Fer-de-Lance](#) (TV movie)

Compton

1974 [Love, American Style](#) (TV series)

Jerry (segment "Love and the Extra Job")

– [Love and the Extra Job/Love and the Flying Finletters/Love and the Golden Worm/Love and the Itchy Condition/Love and the Patrolperson](#) (1974) ... Jerry (segment "Love and the Extra Job")

1973 [Emergency!](#) (TV series)

Walt

– [Body Language](#) (1973) ... Walt

1973 [The F.B.I.](#) (TV series)

Johnson

– [The Confession](#) (1973) ... Johnson

1973 [Little Cigars](#)

Gene - Hotel Bellman (uncredited)

1972 [The Hoax](#)

Clete Dempsey

1970 [Nancy](#) (TV series)

Hank

– [Boys' Night Out](#) (1970) ... Hank

1970 [Equinox](#)

Jim Hudson (as Frank Boers Jr.)