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Alysia Reiner

Alysia Reiner (born July 21, 1970) is an American actress and producer.^[1] Reiner is best known for playing Natalie "Fig" Figueroa in the <u>Netflix</u> comedy drama series <u>Orange Is the New Black</u> (2013–2019), for which she won a <u>Screen Actors Guild Award</u> for her role as part of the ensemble cast.

Reiner starred in and produced the financial drama EQUITY, which was bought at Sundance by Sony Pictures Classics and released nationwide. It is now being developed into a TV series by Tri-Star and ABC. Reiner has appeared in several <u>Off-Broadway</u> plays and won an <u>Obie Award</u> for her performance in <u>An Oak Tree</u>.^[1] In <u>Sideways</u>, the critically acclaimed comedy–drama film, Reiner played Christine Ergarian, where she won her first ensemble cast SAG award. She plays District Attorney Wendy Parks in the <u>ABC crime-legal drama</u> TV series <u>How to Get Away with Murder</u> and Sunny in the F/X comedy <u>Better Things</u>.

In 2014, she also appeared in Season 2 of <u>Masters of Sex</u> on Showtime, as Lilian Izikoff on <u>Rosewood</u>, and Fiona in Michael Showalter's TBS series <u>Madam Secretary</u>.

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Reiner in May 2017		
Born	July 21, 1970 Gainesville, Florida, U.S.	
Alma mater	Vassar College	
Occupation	Actress, producer	
Years active	1993-present	
Known for	Natalie "Fig" Figueroa in <i>Orange Is the New</i> <i>Black</i> (2013–2019)	
Spouse(s)	David Alan Basche (<u>m.</u> 1997)	
Children	1	

Early life

Reiner was born in <u>Gainesville</u>, <u>Florida</u>, in 1970. She graduated from <u>Vassar College</u> and studied acting at the <u>British American Drama Academy</u> and the National Theater Institute at the <u>Eugene O'Neill Theater</u> Center.^{[2][3]}

Career

Theatre

She joined <u>Tim Crouch</u> in the <u>Obie Award</u>—winning <u>An Oak Tree</u> at The Barrow Street and Jayson with a Y with <u>The New Group</u>. At The Beckett, she played roles in <u>Anaïs Nin</u>: One of Her Lives and Wasps in Bed. She has been deemed "Off-Broadway Favorite" by Theatremania and was called "priceless" by <u>The New</u> <u>York Times</u>.

Film and television

Reiner has appeared in several films, including <u>Kissing Jessica</u> <u>Stein, The Vicious Kind, Arranged, Schooled, That Awkward</u> <u>Moment</u>, and <u>5 Flights Up</u>. In 2004, she played the role of Christine Erganian, <u>Thomas Haden Church</u>'s character's fiancée, in the film <u>Sideways</u>, which won <u>Screen Actors Guild Award for Outstanding</u> <u>Performance by a Cast in a Motion Picture</u>.^[1] She also had roles in several independent films.

On television, Reiner has appeared on more than 50 shows as series regular, guest star or in recurring roles, including Natalie Figueroa in the <u>Netflix</u> comedy–drama series <u>Orange Is the New Black</u>.^{[4][5][6]} In 2014 she joined the cast of ABC legal drama series, <u>How to Get Away with Murder</u> produced by <u>Shonda Rhimes</u>, in a recurring role of D.A. Wendy Parks, a prosecutor who goes up against <u>Viola Davis'</u> character.^[7] In 2018 Reiner joined the cast of <u>The Deuce</u> as agent Kiki Rains.^[8]



Reiner with Orange Is the New Black cast in 2013

In 2014, Reiner announced that she will be launching *Broad Street Pictures* to produce films with strong female roles.^[9]

Personal life

Reiner has been married to actor <u>David Alan Basche</u> since 1997.^[10] The couple have a daughter, Livia, who was born on December 5, 2008.

Reiner is involved with many nonprofits and charities, including the Cancer Support Community, Actors for <u>Autism</u>, <u>PEN International</u>, SAY: The <u>Stuttering</u> Association for the Young, Bent on Learning, <u>Safe Kids</u> Worldwide, The Young Women's Leadership Network, <u>Amnesty International</u>,^[11] and Cool Effect.^[12]

Reiner is Jewish.^[13]

Filmography

Film

Year	Title	Role	Notes
1000	Row Your Boat		Scenes deleted
1999	The Stand-In	Soap opera nurse	
2000	Little Pieces	Casting director	
2001	Kissing Jessica Stein	Schuller Gallery Artist	
2002	Hourly Rates	Gail	
2004	Sideways	Christine Erganian	
	The Three Body Problem	Nina	Short film
2005	One Last Thing	Tai Uhlmann	
	A-List	Reporter	
2006	Cycle Unknown	Marie	Short film
	The Narrow Gate	Rachel	
2007	Arranged	Leah	
2007	Schooled	Miss Luna Hill	
2008	The Peppermint Tree	Laura	
	The Vicious Kind	Samantha	
2009	The Jacket	Joan	Short film
	Speed Grieving	Malia	Short film
2012	Backwards	Meghan	
2012	Delivering the Goods	New Head Chef	
2013	King Theodore Live	Jordyn	Short film
	That Awkward Moment	Amanda	
	The Story of Milo & Annie	Mercedes	Short film
	Kelly & Cal	Trish	
	Fort Tilden	Cobble Hill Mom	
2014	The Story of Milo & Annie	Mercedes	Short film
2014	Revenge of the Green Dragons	TV News Reporter	
	5 Flights Up	Blue Leggings	
	Primrose Lane	Theodocia	
	The Girl in the Book	Interviewer	
	No Letting Go	Lisa	
2015	Ava's Possessions	Noelle	
	The Networker	Beth	
	The Other Side	Rivka	
2016	Equity	public attorney Samantha Ryan	Also producer
2017	The Female Brain	Erin	
2018	Egg	Tina	

Television

Year	Title	Role	Notes
1999	Law & Order	Gretchen Stewart	Episode: "Sundown"
2000	Family Law	Ms. Holland	Episode: "Echoes"
2002	The Drew Carey Show	Sally	Episode: "What Women Don't Want"
	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Cindy Kerber	Episode: "Juvenile"
2003	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Leslie Hurst	Episode: "Stray"
2004	The Jury	Dr. Ainsley Solomon	Episode: "The Boxer"
2006	The Sopranos	Linda Vaughn	Episode: "Mr. & Mrs. John Sacrimoni Request"
2000	Love Monkey	Megan	Episode: "Coming Out"
2008	The Starter Wife	Cindy	2 episodes
	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Paula O'Keefe	Episode: "Lady's Man"
2009	White Collar	Manager	Episode: "Free Fall"
	30 Rock	Real Estate Agent	Episode: " <u>Sun Tea</u> "
2010	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Michelle Linden	Episode: "Lost Children of the Blood"
•	Law & Order	Amy Felner	Episode: "Love Eternal"
2011	Blue Bloods	Hannah	Episode: "Model Behavior"
2012	The Exes	Cindy	Episode: "The Party"
2013– 19	Orange Is the New Black	Natalie "Fig" Figueroa	47 episodes Screen Actors Guild Award for Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble in a Comedy Series
2014	Hawaii Five-O	Special Agent Chapman	Episode: "Ka No'eau"
	How to Get Away with Murder	D.A. Wendy Parks	5 episodes
2015	Bones	Amelia Minchin	Episode: "The Lost in the Found"
	Unforgettable	Joyce Chen	Episode: "Breathing Space"
2016	The Mysteries of Laura	Liz Walters	Episode: "The Mystery of the Political Operation"
	Rosewood	Lilian Izikoff	2 episodes
	Masters of Sex	Anita	Episode: "Freefall"
	Search Party	Trina	2 episodes
2016– 19	Better Things	Sunny	10 episodes
2017	Chopped	Herself	Episode: "Star Power: Screen Sensations!"
2017	Younger	Louise	Episode: "A Novel Marriage"
2018	The Blacklist	Judge Sonia Fisher	Episode: "The Informant (No. 118)"

2018– 2019	The Deuce	Kiki Rains	10 episodes
2018– present	Butterbean's Cafe	Ms. Marmalady (voice)	14 episodes

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