

Melissa Leo
“Frozen River”

As a working actor for more than 20 years Melissa Leo is most widely known for her genius portrayal of Detective Kay Howard on HOMICIDE: LIFE ON THE STREETS. Leo studied Drama at Mount View Theatre School in London, England and later at the SUNY Purchase Acting Program. Among her memorable works: THE YOUNG RIDERS, THE “L” WORD, 21 GRAMS, THREE BURIALS OF MELQUIADES ESTRADA and HOLLYWOOD DREAMS.

Leo credits also include: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION shot in Pakistan, LULLABY shot in South Africa, RIGHTEOUS KILL starring Robert DeNiro and Al Pacino, and GRETA starring Ellen Burstyn and Hillary Duff. She also appeared in the same role in the short, FROZEN RIVER that premiered at the New York Film Festival in 2004.

Selected Filmography

2008 Santa Mesa
2008 Lullaby
2007 Frozen River
2007 Mr. Woodcock
2007 Racing Daylight
2006 Falling Objects
2006 The Three Burials of Melquiades Estrada
2005 Patch
2005 Hide and Seek
2003 21 Grams
2000 Fear of Fiction
1997 Under the Bridge
1992 Immaculate Conception
1988 A Time of Destiny
1985 Streetwalkin'
1985 Always