

LEAD

NARRATIVE PODCAST

LEAD ~ An audio docudrama series inspired by the true story of one child, his mysterious lead poisoning and his Mother's unwavering fight to keep him safe.

PLOT ~ After a routine check-up reveals elevated lead levels in her nine-month old son, Shannon sets out on a quest to find the source of the exposure and keep her son safe. Finding herself powerless against the devastation lead is wreaking on her son's body and brain, Shannon goes back to school to obtain a nursing degree. Armed with knowledge, science & every day angels, the family begins to unravel the mystery. True recovery and healing begin when mother and son discover the power in sharing their story, working together and advocating to end this perfectly preventable disease.

INSPIRATION ~ Yes, lead poisoning is STILL an epidemic. In 2022, over 5,000 children were diagnosed with elevated lead levels in New York City alone. And another 5,000 again in 2023. And thousands more across the state.

The Lead Paint Right to Know Act simply ensures a buyer or renter will be provided with the knowledge of whether or not lead is present in the home and where it is located so you can protect yourself and your family.

CAST Featuring

Merritt Wever (*Unbelievable, Severance*)

Alessandro Nivola (*The Brutalist, The Many Saints of Newark*)

Cooper Burkett (Lead Advocate, High School Student)

Alysia Reiner (*The Diplomat, Better Things*)

& **Cynthia Nixon** (*The Gilded Age, Sex and The City*)



Our cast is packed with talent including:

Amy Acker, Carolyn Baeumler, Eboni Booth, Tom Butler, Dennis T. Carnegie, James Carpinello, Geneva Carr, Daphne Gaines, Sasha Eden, Dann Fink, Michael Gaston, Kevin Kane, Alice Kris, Adriane Lenox, Jenny Maguire, April Matthis, JD Mollison, Laith Nakli, Keith Nobbs, Deirdre O'Connell, Katie O'Sullivan, Zak Orth, Reg Pirenti, Alysia Reiner, Armando Riesco, Shirley Rumierk, Mandy Siegfried, Tom Sesma, Zach Shaffer, Frank Wood & Lana Young

THE TEAM

Director: Alan Taylor is known for his Emmy-winning direction on *The Sopranos, Deadwood, Game of Thrones, The House of Dragons, Sex and The City & Nurse Jackie*, feature film work includes Marvel's *Thor: The Dark World, Palookaville*. ([IMDb](#))

Writer/Producer: Shannon Burkett is a Writer, Actor, Filmmaker, Registered Nurse/Valedictorian of her class, Advocate & Mother of three. shannonburkett.com ([IMDb](#))

Co-Producer: Jenny Maguire is an Actor, VO Artist, Filmmaker, Mother & Producer of the Channel4More4 documentary *21 BELOW*. ([IMDb](#))

Sound Mixer: Andy Kris is an Emmy-winning Sound Mixer who has worked on *Elsbeth, The Penguin, Succession, Treme, Good Fight, The Wire, The Plot Against America, Gilded Age, Evil, The Deuce*. Andy is also Shannon's husband & Cooper's father. ([IMDb](#))

Composer: Peter Salett is the beloved cinematic singer songwriter known for *Wet Hot American Summer, Keeping the Faith, Down in the Valley, Role Models, The Baxter, The Ten*. Salett also founded the national political organization, The Hometown Project. ([IMDb](#))

ADVOCACY ~ Advocates are made, not born.

If the public demands it ~ **Representatives have to listen.**

Please go to www.endleadpoisoning.org to learn more on how to send a message to your representative urging them to

Support The Lead Paint Right to Know Act

~ Lead is deadly and easily corrected ~



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