



John Richard Schneider – Bio - 2016

John Richard Schneider (actor, singer, director, producer, writer) was born on April 8, 1960, in Mt. Kisco, New York. John began acting in school plays and performing as a magician at children's parties.

At fourteen John performed in his Atlanta, Georgia High School drama club and recorded "The Auctioneer." He sang in a barbershop quartet and graduated from high school early, as he was anxious for his acting career to begin.

In 1978, John auditioned for the role of a "good ol' boy", they were looking for someone 24-30 years of age, born in the south. John went into the audition with a six pack of beer and a torn t-shirt, telling them he was 24 from Snellville, Georgia. He won the role of Bo Duke in the CBS television series "The Dukes of Hazzard".

While working on "The Dukes of Hazzard" John starred in made-for-TV movies, and recorded four albums. He co-starred in "Eddie Macon's Run" and two TV specials, "John Schneider Back Home" and "John Schneider's White Christmas." John wrote and directed the last episode of "The Dukes of Hazzard".

In 1983, John Schneider and Marie Osmond co-founded the Children's Miracle Network, a charity which would raise billions of dollars for children's hospitals throughout the US and Canada.

After the 1985 cancellation of "The Dukes of Hazzard", John continued to work, recording six albums and four singles for MCA Records.

In 1986, he won the Star of Tomorrow Award at the Music City News Country awards and film credits included "Gus Brown and Midnight Brewster," "Cocaine Wars," "Stagecoach," "The Curse," "Christmas Comes to Willow Creek," "Outback Bound," and "Ministry of Vengeance" along the TV mini-series "Wild Jack."

In the year 2000, John once again played Bo Duke in the TV movie "The Dukes of Hazzard: Hazzard in Hollywood", acted off-Broadway musicals, "The Civil War" and guest-starred in movies, TV series and directed many projects.

In 2006, John's "baby" came to life, "Collier & Co.: Hot Pursuit" the movie which he wrote, starred, produced, directed, and edited was released.

He has continued his successful career, acting in dozens of TV and movie roles, and in 2013 founded a production company, Fairlight Films.