Angela Cartwright

BIOGRAPHY

Penny Robinson in LOST IN SPACE

Angela Cartwright was called a typical American girl by an English newspaper in 1956. Angela was actually born in Altrincham, Cheshire, England; partly raised in Canada, and is a resident of an unnamed outer planet in the new LOST IN SPACE series produced by 20th Century-Fox Television in association with Irwin Allen Productions and Van Bernard Productions.

Angela did play an average American girl for seven years on television. As Danny Thomas' young daughter on his long-lived series, she won millions of viewers' hearts. There is nothing typical about her role on the new series, however. Angela plays Penny, the daughter of a brilliant professor who takes his family to live in far-off space.

She was born in England, but did not see much of the land of her birth because her family emigrated to Toronto, Canada, when Angela was only one year old. Two years later, in 1955, the family moved to Los Angeles. Angela's professional career started shortly after arriving in California when a neighbor encouraged Mrs. Cartwright to put Angela and her sister Veronica into children's fashion modeling. When she was three-and-a-half years old, Angela was chosen for a role in "Somebody Up There Likes Me" because her long dark hair and huge hazel eyes made her an ideal choice as the daughter for Pier Angeli and Paul Newman. Another small part followed in "Something of Value" at the same studio, MGM.

By the time she was four, Angela was well known by the top photographers and appeared on McCall's magazine cover and in many advertisements. It was this exposure that led to her selection for the part of Linda on the Danny Thomas show. She grew up before millions of viewers during the seven years she was with that series. This year, Angela can be seen as one of the Von Trapp children in the 20th-Fox motion picture, "The Sound of Music."

Angela sings, dances and is the official inspirational leader of "child power," an organization devoted to spreading peace throughout the world. She loves riding horses, swimming and skating and is an avid collector of model horses and dolls from different countries.

VITAL STATISTICS

Birthplace: Altrincham, Cheshire, England

Weight: 75 lbs.

Birthdate: September 9, 1952 Hair: Brown Height: 4'9" Eyes: Hazel

TELEVISION CREDITS:

LOST IN SPACE
THE DANNY THOMAS SHOW (7 YEARS)
THE LUCY BALL-DESI ARNAZ SPECIAL
SHIRLEY TEMPLE STORYBOOK
WHIRLYBIRDS
ALFRED HITCHCOCK
SECRET WORLD OF KIDS
CHEVROLET SPECIAL (2)

FEATURES:

THE SOUND OF MUSIC SOMEBODY UP THERE LIKES ME SOMETHING OF VALUE LAD, A DOG