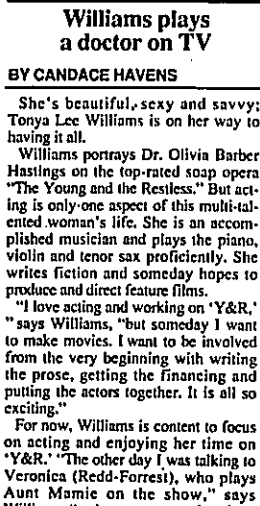


# SOAP WORLD



BY CANDACE HAVENS

**She's beautiful, sexy and savvy:** Tonya Lee Williams is on her way to having it all.

Williams portrays Dr. Olivia Barber Hastings on the top-rated soap opera "The Young and the Restless." But acting is only one aspect of this multi-talented woman's life. She is an accomplished musician and plays the piano, violin and tenor sax proficiently. She writes fiction and someday hopes to produce and direct feature films.

"I love acting and working on 'Y&R,'" says Williams, "but someday I want to make movies. I want to be involved from the very beginning with writing the prose, getting the financing and putting the actors together. It is all so exciting."

For now, Williams is content to focus on acting and enjoying her time on 'Y&R.' "The other day I was talking to Veronica (Redd-Forrest), who plays Aunt Mamie on the show," says Williams, "and we commented on how much like a family we really are. We sometimes bicker with one another, but at the same time we are supportive of one another. It is a great place to work."

Williams enjoys playing her character and says she is involved in a terrific story line. "My sister and mother on the show don't get along and I'm trying my best to get them together. In my heart I think it is the sister's fault. I don't see the fact that our mother played favorites, because I was the favored one. The whole situation has made for some great conflict."

Off the set, Tonya shares her home with her two dogs. She says eventually she would like to get married and have a family, but right now her mind is set on her career. "I like going out there and auditioning and working on different things," says the actress.

"This business takes a lot of patience. The other day Bill Bell told us how after the first year of 'Y&R' he went to CBS to talk about taking the show off the air because it wasn't doing well in the ratings. CBS told him to hang in there, and look what happened. I'm taking things step by step, and eventually I get there."

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The answer to the Crossword Quiz is found within the answers in the puzzle. To find the answer, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

1. Series set out at an airport
5. Brian or David
8. Article
10. Largest crows
12. Charles Ingalls, to Laura
14. Irritate
15. Actor O'Neill
17. With 32 Across,  
popular series (2)
19. Precious
20. Ms. McEntire
22. U\_
24. Varnish ingredient
25. Rowler's need
26. Mark's home
27. Traveler's aid
28. Part of A.D.
29. Gosh and \_
31. Car's monogram
32. See 17 Across
37. "See \_"; casual idiom
38. Transaction with Monty
39. Classified item
41. Davis and Miller
42. Eaker or Kettle
43. Holdi Bar or Kettle
44. Hilda Bar or Kettle's role on *Hotel*
45. Sing Along With

**DOWN**

1. Word with gate or loo
2. All the Family
3. Gerald's monogram
4. Woman's garment
5. Joint
6. Insigne for Elke
7. Tyrone's initials
8. Actress Varonica
11. Mr. Damono
12. Forest creature

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