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As Janine Turner recalls, it was tough to convince *Northern Exposure*'s creators Joshua Brand and John Falsey that she, a delicate-featured model from Texas, could channel the tough spirit of Alaskan bush pilot Maggie O'Connell. But today, Turner and her co-star, New York native Rob Morrow, are not just accepted but are so beloved for their *Exposure* roles that on visits to Anchorage and Nome, they're treated like Alaskan royalty.

Both actors say the accolades continue to pour in—and from far beyond the Arctic Circle. Morrow still gets emails and Facebook messages from fans around the world, “from so many different generations, some watching the show for the first time on DVD.” Some tell him that like his character Dr. Joel Fleischman, they too are doctors forced to pay back scholarship funds via a stint in a far-off locale, “and that ‘watching your show gave me comfort.’ Others say they learned so much about philosophy, or spirituality—or New Yorkers. But whatever it is, just to hear that I was part of something that really affected people for the positive, that’s what still resonates with me today.” — *Jim Colucci*

21 summers ago,
2 stars were born in
the big Alaska sky

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Rob Morrow as Dr. Joel Fleischman