

Derek Jacobi turns 70



■ **1938:** Born Oct 22 in London, UK

■ **1963:** Invited by **Laurence Olivier** to join new **National Theatre**

■ **1976:** Cements growing international reputation in title role of BBC series **I, Claudius**

■ **1979:** World tour as **Hamlet** includes performances at play's setting, Elsinore Castle in Denmark

■ **1986:** Role of **Alan Turing** in **Breaking the Code** by **Hugh Whitemore** specifically written for him

■ **1994:** Knighted for services to theatre. Debuts as monastic sleuth **Brother Cadfael** in TV adaptation of **Ellis Peters's** novels

■ **2001:** Wins Emmy for self-mocking guest role in U.S. sitcom **Frasier**, as world's worst Shakespearean actor

■ **2008:** Opens as **Malvolio** in **Twelfth Night** for London's Donmar Warehouse theatre