

# **James R. Drake**

**Class of 1963**

**James Drake's name is associated with some of television's most popular series. Mr. Drake has a list of credits that includes directing episodes of "Mary Hartman," "Night Court," "Newhart," and "Who's the Boss." He received Emmy and Director's Guild of America nominations for his work on the popular television shows "Golden Girls," "Buffalo Bill," and "SCTV." He has also directed feature films such as "Police Academy 4," "Speed Zone," and made for television movies including "Starstruck," "Goddess of Love," and "This Wife for Hire." Mr. Drake also worked for CBS directing news, sports and soap operas such as "The Young and The Restless" and "General Hospital." He has taught television production at the University of Southern California and has participated in the teacher outreach program through the Director's Guild of America at Eastern Michigan University and Hampshire College. James Drake earned his undergraduate degrees in Communication and History from Stanford University in 1967 and his M.F.A. in Communications from Columbia University in 1969.**

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