Mandy Leigh Thompson began her early professional training with, lifelong mentor, Lenka Peterson! Mandy went on to study acting and theater education at Emerson College in Boston. She is currently a principal player on *The Rob Bartlett Comedy Radio Hour* filmed and recorded live at ABC Studios every week for ABC Digital and The OG Network . She's also a recurring cast member on *The Ruthless Spectator* written by former Saturday Night Live Head Writer, Andrew Smith. On *Ruthless*, you can see her play characters such as Sarah Palin, Rachel Ray, Mother Teresa and Ivanka Trump. She also tours the country as a *Bartlette* and as a core member of *Ruthless Women Sketch Comedy*.

Regionally, she's played the coveted role of "Natalie" in **Next to Normal** opposite Broadway leading lady Sarah Litzsinger at the **Adirondack Theatre Festival** under the direction of Mark Fleisher. She reprised "Natalie" at **Seven Angels Theatre**, where she's also played "Annie" in Tom Dudzick's touching play **Over the Tavern** (directed by Semina DeLaurentis and co-starring Sarah Knapp) as well as "Logainne" in **The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee** directed by Janine Molinari. In NYC, Mandy has been cast in the ongoing development of the play **Dixieboy Firecrackers** under the direction of stage and television star, Brian Lane Green. She's performed "Ginette" at Times Square's **Payan Theater** in **Almost, Maine**, "Mary" in **Eddie and the Palaceades** for **Theatre Resources Unlimited** (NYC), and "Hope" in **Urinetown** (**Drunkintown**) for Drunk Musicals at **The West End Lounge**. As Founding Artistic Director of **Lenka Peterson Players**, Mandy's played "Eleanor"/ "Bizarbara" in **Starmites** and "Sally" in **You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown**.

Other Credits include "Sister James" **Doubt**, "Maddie" **The Hundred Dresses**, "Catherine" **Proof**. Film and T.V. credits include **Lifetime Movie Network**: **I KILLED MY BFF**; V-Day Film: **BREAK THE CHAIN** (Debbie Allen/ Eve Ensler); **CouponBug.com Commercial**: Pam GAMESHOW. She recently performed along side a star-studded cast in **The Who's Tommy** in concert, directed by Daniel C. Levine and Jayme McDaniel, musical direction by Bryan Perri (Wicked, Dogfight, Chaplin) with Michael Seelbach, Matt Farnsworth, Jeremy Kushnier and Tricia Rapier.

As a teaching artist, she is co-founder of the *T.H.R.I.V.E.* Arts program with her business partner, Broadway star, Marissa Perry! Mandy is a proud member of the Actor's Equity Association.