

All Saints newcomer **Paul Tassone** admits his character will cause a few problems in Ward 17

Regular viewers of *All Saints* will recognise Paul Tassone as Nelson Curtis, the eager young nurse who appeared in last year's dramatic season finale.

Nelson was interviewed for a job by Terri Sullivan (Georgie Parker). Now, with the job securely his, we are going to see a lot more of him around the corridors of Ward 17.

Nelson steps into the position vacated by the departure of Connor Costello (Jeremy Cumpston) – and, according to Paul (right), he ruffles a few feathers along the way.

"Nelson rubs a lot of people up the wrong way," Paul laughs. "It's not intentional. He is not trying to put people offside – it's just that he has such high expectations.

"For the first couple of weeks, it was a bit like picking up the script to see who I was annoying this week. But it's fun playing this character,

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and I hope the viewers will like him. He has a past that comes out eventually, and people will start to understand where he's coming from."

Paul was inspired to become an actor after watching Al Pacino's performance in the 1979 movie *...And Justice For All*. He studied acting at the Lee Strasberg Institute in London – but, initially, his career goals didn't extend to appearing in a long-running TV series.

"I wasn't too interested," he says. "But if there was one series that I would consider, it was *All Saints*."

"The cast is great, the crew is great, and it's a quality show that keeps getting better and better." ■



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