

like, "Are you on some show?" I explained that it wasn't the type of acting job where I had to travel a lot or have strange hours.

Digest: Does he get along with your kids?

Tylo: Yes, they have a good time together. He takes us to do a lot of outdoor things, which was something that had been missing in my life. He loves hiking and camping, and doing all my "tomboy" stuff. We do a lot of biking with the girls.

Digest: Are they still in touch with their father?

Tylo: He's gotten remarried [to Rachelle Reichert, January 10, 2010] and has his own life. I've been open to him being in their life, but I think he's moved on. But if he wants to talk to his daughters, that's no problem for me.

Digest: What keeps drawing you back to soaps?

Tylo: It's an art, like the Native Americans telling their children stories that are life lessons. That's what these shows have always done for people. I get messages where people say I was significant in a period of their life, and the show was the bright spot in their day. I was so upset to hear about the cancellation of ONE LIFE and ALL MY CHILDREN.

It's a shame that soaps seem to be a dying art form.

Digest: How do you think Taylor has changed over the years?

Tylo: I think she's blossomed into a professional woman. She's

grown up, her children have grown, and she's learned a lot about life. She's a richer, much more grounded character.

Digest: How have you changed?

Tylo: In the process of going through the stuff with Katya and then grief therapy [to deal with the death of] Mickey, I had to get a whole new experience of therapy and why it's important to talk about your feelings, and to not do unhealthy things when you're depressed. I've learned a lot and think I've become more grounded, too. □

what happens in Vegas ...

★ Tylo's wedding to Gersson Archila turned out to be a Thanksgiving surprise — for the family *and* the married couple! "The day after Thanksgiving [November 27, 2009], we were visiting with family, all sitting around [in her home] in Las Vegas," she sets up. "Gersson and I were engaged; we knew we were going to get married in the next year and had the rings, but didn't know when.

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Married Away: Tylo's wedding to Gersson Archila was on a whim, but it "felt right," she smiles.

So on a whim, we decided to go online and see if we could get married that day if we really wanted to [laughs]. That conversation blossomed into a full-on booking," she marvels. "We found out that we could rent a gown and a tux, and get the license and do it that day. We were like, 'Everyone is here, why not do it?' So we were married [that Saturday] within 24 hours at Cupid's Wedding Chapel on the Strip. It ended up being

very fun and it was on Gersson's parents' anniversary. There was no trauma of planning a wedding. I didn't have to go shopping and try on dresses; it was a wonderful, stress-free day. It was a little surreal, but we knew we wanted to get married and it was right."



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Girl Power: Tylo with her mother, Jo Anne, and daughters Katya (l.) and Izabella in 2008.