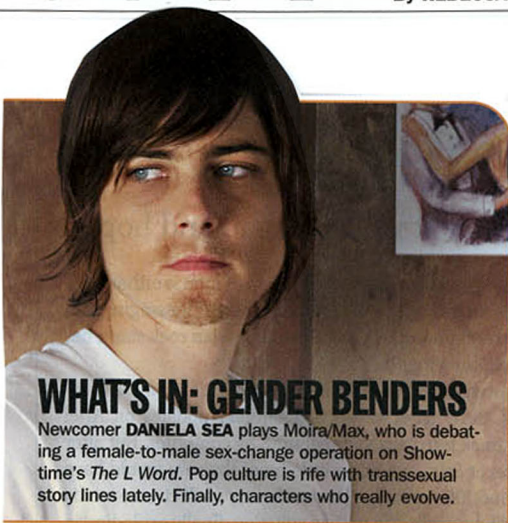


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## WHAT'S IN: GENDER BENDERS

Newcomer **DANIELA SEA** plays Moira/Max, who is debating a female-to-male sex-change operation on Showtime's *The L Word*. Pop culture is rife with transsexual story lines lately. Finally, characters who really evolve.



**FELICITY HUFFMAN** seems in line to snare an Oscar nomination for her role as a male-to-female transsexual who discovers she fathered a son in *Transamerica*. Plus *Desperate Housewives*' plain-Jane mom finally got to smear on the rouge.

Appearing on *Oprah* and *Larry King* touting her autobiography, *She's Not There: A Life in Two Genders*, novelist **JENNIFER FINNEY BOYLAN** told how she stayed married to her wife after her sex change. It's a transsexual tale even pro-family groups might love.



With an A&E documentary under way on her impending sex-change operation and a role on VH1's *The Surreal Life*, **ALEXIS ARQUETTE**, sibling of actors David, Rosanna and Patricia, will rival her sibs' fame—and give their kids a brand new aunt.

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