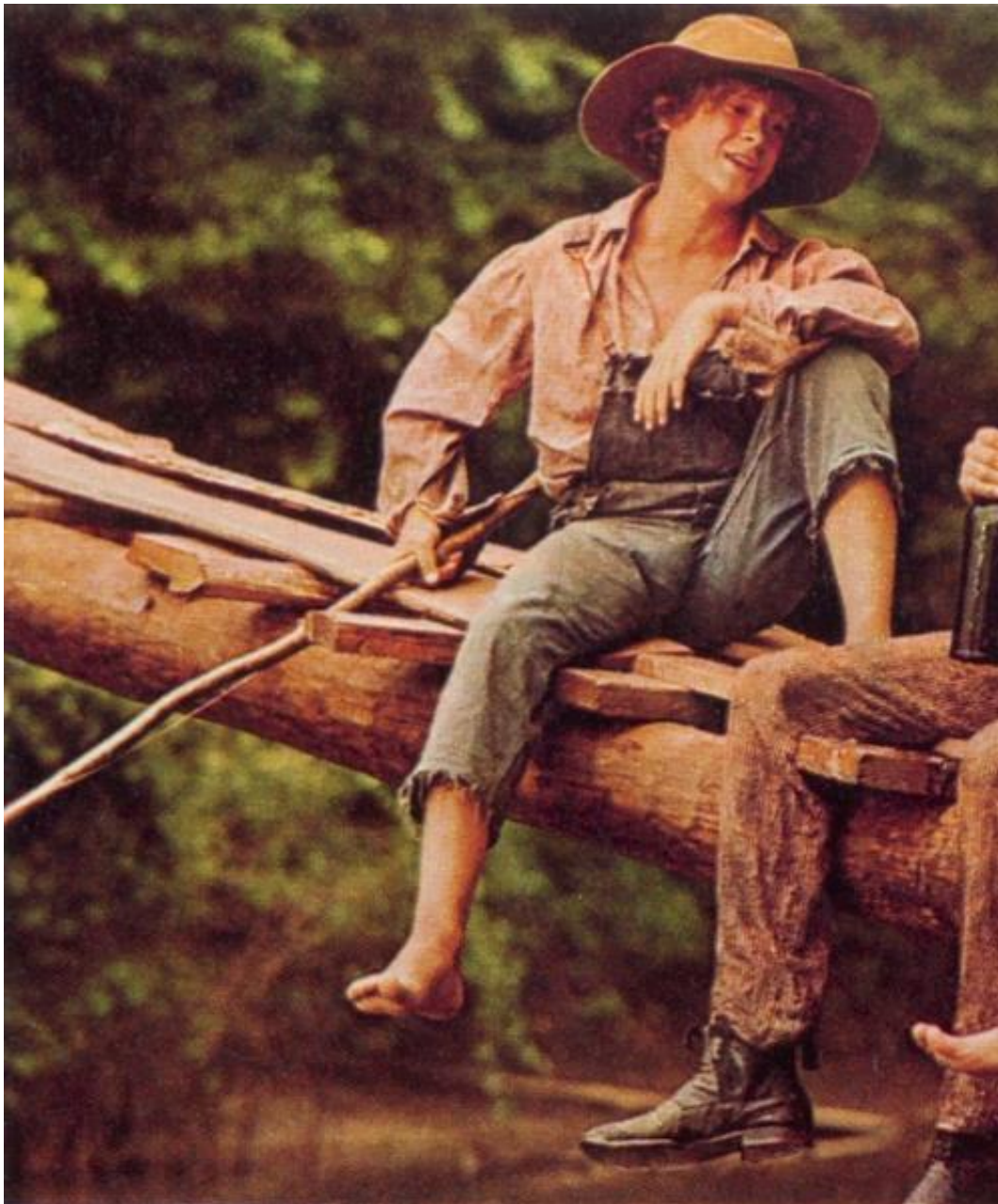


Jeff East

Titles: 2 Sources: 2 Stills: 3

Born: US; October 27th 1957



*By general assent, one of the better Huck Finn's, in the musical "TOM SAWYER" (with Johnny Whitaker)
Source: Readers' Digest souvenir brochure*

**Reader's Digest Souvenir Brochure for
"TOM SAWYER":**

“Jeff East, who was chosen from 1,000 boys to play the role of Huckleberry Finn, is a 14-year old from Kansas City making his screen debut. It is very nearly his acting debut, too, for Jeff's only previous experience of acting was playing male roles in plays staged by the all-girl school attended by his three sisters. His last role in that sphere was Puck in "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by William Shakespeare. As a youngster he had made a few commercials, but his main interests were football and golf before the chance to play in "**TOM SAWYER**" came along. Jeff liked the Hannibal that Mark Twain knew. "Back then you could be free," he says, "I like that era." ”

What the Critics said:

In "**TOM SAWYER**":

“...Jeff East is most effective as Huck, making of that character an intriguing and contrasting personality.” — **Variety Movie Guide**

FILMOGRAPHY

Year	Age	Title	Role
deb 73	14	TOM SAWYER 	as Huckleberry Finn with <i>Johnny Whitaker, Jodie Foster</i>
74	15	HUCKLEBERRY FINN	in title role with <i>Frank Mills, John Schwartzman</i>
77	18	THE CAMPUS CORPSE	
78	19	STRANGER IN OUR HOUSE / SUMMER OF FEAR	TV
78	21	SUPERMAN	Clark Kent as a "boy" with <i>Aaron Smolinski</i>
80	20	KLONDIKE FEVER	as the young Jack London
81	21	DEADLY BLESSING	

[NB: ages counted from his given age in the Readers' Digest source – the film was held over a year before release, apparently. Even at 19 he was clearly too old to play the juvenile Clark Kent in "**SUPERMAN**"]

