



Kevin Connolly: Jeremy Piven Has a Sense of Humor

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Entourage's **Kevin Connolly** not only comes out for good causes, he supports his costar **Jeremy Piven**.

Sporting a full red beard while at an event for the Noreen Fraser Foundation for cancer at the Maloof estate in Beverly Hills Wednesday, Connolly dished about his costar Jeremy Piven, who was reportedly upset over *The Piven Monologues*, a theater spoof about the situation surrounding his mercury poisoning.

"I mean, Jeremy's got a good sense of humor. I'm sure if it's all in good fun he won't have a problem with it," said Connolly. "On the other hand, you know Jeremy also won his case, so maybe his producers are wrong... So maybe they should cease and whatever it is. Maybe they should just be quiet."

And why the beard? Read on for that, some *Entourage* dish and his thoughts on this weekend's Emmys...

The actor needs the facial fur, or at least part of it, for an upcoming role.

"I got an acting job where they need me to have a mustache," says Connolly. "So eventually I'll shave the beard, but I don't want to walk around looking like an idiot so I'm keeping the beard just to offset the mustache."

Connolly also opened up about *Entourage's* Emmy nomination for Outstanding Comedy Series.

"It's our, I think, our fifth nomination in a row, so hopefully we're looking forward to losing for the fifth time [laughs]. I'm sure *30 Rock* already has it sewn up so...it's great just to be invited to the Emmys," says Connolly. "We'll be there. We will all be there."

Connolly also says he is rooting for his costar [Kevin Dillon](#), who is nominated. "Listen, now that Piven is out of the picture this could be the year."

As far as his role on *Entourage*, "E" wouldn't give much away as to which lady he will end up with. "I'd like to date my assistant. She's a hot assistant [laughs]. I can't tell because I'll get in trouble. I've been burnt before by people like you asking questions and I say things and I get in trouble, so I'll keep my mouth quiet."

Connolly says he came to the cancer foundation event because the disease hit close to home.

"I lost both parents to cancer, more recently my mom... so I got involved."