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On the Cover

Airplane tragedy revisited after 25 years in 'Yellowjackets'

By Sarah Passingham
TV Media

A competitive team of high school soccer champions descends into warring, dystopian factions in the new horror-drama series "Yellowjackets" on Showtime. The premiere of the series led by Christina Ricci ("Pan Am") airs Sunday, Nov. 14, on the network and begins to reveal what, exactly, happened following a horrific plane crash that left the soccer stars stranded in the Canadian wilderness.

According to Showtime's website, "Yellowjackets" tells the story of how the girls involved "descend into savage clans" while waiting to be rescued after the crash in the desolate woods of northern Ontario. The series is told through flashbacks and present-day scenes (25 years after the accident), and each character is portrayed by two actors: one teen and an adult counterpart.

Ricci and "Shameless" star Samantha Hanratty portray Misty; "Mrs. America" star Melanie Lynskey and Canadian actress Sophie Nélisse ("47 Meters Down: Uncaged," 2019) play Shauna; Tawny Cypress ("Lincoln Rhyme: Hunt for the Bone Collector") and Jasmin Savoy Brown ("The Leftovers") are Taissa; and Juliette Lewis ("Secrets and Lies") and Sophie Thatcher ("The Tomorrow Man," 2019) both star as Natalie. Steve Krueger ("The Originals") also stars as Ben Scott.

In an official trailer released by Showtime in August 2021, it's clear that the women, once members of the same close-knit soccer team, are no longer friends despite having been tied together forever through a shared tragedy. Natalie (Lewis) appears to have surprised Misty (Ricci) in her home when Misty greets her with, "It's been a while." The trailer then flashes to teenage Natalie (Thatcher) as she readies a shotgun and prepares to fight for her survival in the wilderness. The women are clearly still in the midst of reckoning with what transpired 25 years earlier.

Not only do each of the women appear to have gone their separate ways, but they also seem to have agreed to share only the necessary points of their



Steven Krueger and Samantha Hanratty as seen in "Yellowjackets"

survival story from years ago. Adult Shauna (Lynskey) is heard in the trailer saying, "We agreed, say no more than we have to," before a disembodied reply: "I think we both know there's more to it than that."

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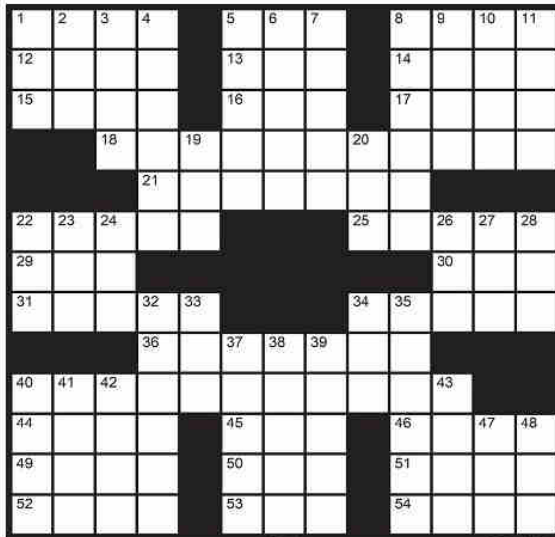
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Television crossword Solution on page 23



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5. "Something doesn't ___ up"
8. Chip in chips

12. Something in the air
13. Victoria's Secret purchase
14. Kwik-E-___ ("The Simpsons" store)
15. Money owed
16. Thanksgiving serving
17. "Ben-Hur" (1959) or "Lawrence of Arabia" (1962)
18. Earthquake measuring instrument

Down

1. "Holy cow!"
2. "Maude" and "The Golden Girls" star McClanahan
3. Celestial spheres
4. Rich cake
5. Deep cavity
6. "This Is Us" or "Succession"
7. Hollywood star Matt
8. Punish with an arbitrary penalty
9. Vintners' valley
10. Misstep
11. Make an impression
19. In a bad way
20. Continuity break
22. Priest's robe
23. Formerly known as
24. Nothing at all
26. ___ de guerre
27. Pencil near the end of its life
28. Period in history
32. Sleep disorders
33. Beast of burden
34. Go out with
35. Pigeonhole
37. Creature only found in Madagascar
38. Big mix-up
39. Undercover, briefly
40. June 6, 1944
41. Lightly cooked, as a steak
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43. "Game of Thrones" Jon
47. ___ chi (martial art)
48. Table scrap



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Cookie chaos: 'Gingerbread Showdown' features sweetly spiced showpieces



Jesse Palmer hosts "Holiday Baking Championship: Gingerbread Showdown"

By Michelle Rose
TV Media

Cookie or architecture? Who says gingerbread can't be both!

This week, the sweetly spiced star of your holiday baking/centerpiece-building plans will get its moment to shine, courtesy of a new Food Network competition series that is a bit of a hybrid itself.

Premiering Monday, Nov. 15, on Food Network and discovery+, "Holiday Baking Championship: Gingerbread Showdown" is a spinoff that's equal parts "Holiday Baking Championship" and "Holiday Gingerbread Showdown," which last aired in 2019.

The five-episode "Holiday Baking Championship: Gingerbread Showdown" will feature three teams of festive-minded gingerbread artists competing against each other to produce the most breathtaking gingerbread showpieces.

The format is a little more "Gingerbread Showdown" than "Baking Championship," meaning each one-hour episode is a stand-alone competition — there's no weekly elimination, which makes it an ideal pick if you're looking for something light to watch as we head into the busy holiday season.

This new seasonal competition is hosted by former NFL quarterback and Bachelor Jesse Palmer.

The Canadian TV personality and sports commentator has had a busy year: he's also hosting this year's installment of the less gingerbread-centric parent series "Holiday Baking Championship," and he's returning to "The Bachelor" franchise, too, as host of Season 26, premiering in January.

As for the judges, chefs Nacho Aguirre and Kardea Brown join Breegan Jane from HGTV's "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" to evaluate each team's performance and decide

on a winner in each episode, beginning with the premiere on Nov. 15.

Incidentally, Brown recently signed a deal that extends her partnership with Food Network for two more years, and production on Season 6 of "Delicious Miss Brown" began earlier this fall (look for it to premiere in 2022).

That's not all: Brown is also hosting a different food competition series that premieres this Saturday, Nov. 20, on discovery+ and Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN). "Great Soul Food Cook-Off" is a six-episode, elimination-style competition celebrating Black chefs and Black culinary traditions in America.

It's a long-overdue, first-of-its-kind celebration of soul food, and with Brown at the helm as the show's host, it should be a good watch. In the meantime, check out the "Holiday Baking Championship: Gingerbread Showdown" premiere on Monday, Nov. 15.

SUNDAY

Noon **FOOD Delicious Miss Brown** Kardea Brown invites her best friends over for Friendsgiving, and she's in charge of the turkey and side dishes. She makes deviled crabs in the shell, a Cajun butter spatchcock turkey, fried cabbage and sweet potato stuffed cornbread.
12:30 p.m. **FOOD Barefoot Contessa: Back to Basics** Ina Garten revisits flavors from her past and brings them up to date. She makes lamb stew with spring vegetables from her newlywed days, split pea soup with crispy kielbasa from childhood and fresh raspberry mini corn muffins from her specialty store.
8:00 p.m. **FOOD Holiday Wars** In the second qualifying round, three teams are challenged to showcase Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" in a way the world has never seen before; by completely reimagining the iconic Ghost of Christmas Past, Present or Future.
9:00 p.m. **FOOD Holiday Wars** In the final qualifying round, three teams have to showcase how two animals that don't ordinarily get along can celebrate Thanksgiving together in the animal kingdom.
10:30 p.m. **FOOD Battle for the Bird** A noisy family celebration goes head-to-head with a full-throttle Friendsgiving to see who can throw the best Thanksgiving party. Anne Burrell and Carson Kressley challenge, mentor and ultimately decide who wins a prize worth \$10,000.

MONDAY

3:00 p.m. **WYLN 65 Positively Paula** This is the Paula Deen you know and love. In her kitchen, her home, with her family and friends, sharing her food and recipes, her stories and memories, and her heart.
3:30 p.m. **WYLN 65 The Chef's Kitchen 3D** display pioneer Hong Hua is making her mark on how we see the world. Plus, we hear from Asian American leaders in Tucson about recent violence against the AAPI community, and violinist Fadi Iskandar plays a Lebanese love song at Sweetwater wetlands.
4:00 p.m. **WYLN 65 From the WYLN Kitchen**
8:00 p.m. **FOOD Holiday Baking Championship** Jesse Palmer asks the nine bakers to make Mason jar fruit desserts. Then, judges Nancy Fuller, Duff Goldman and Carla Hall are in for a treat when the competitors create heartfelt messages on top of everyone's favorite Thanksgiving dessert, pie.
9:00 p.m. **FOOD Holiday Baking Championship** The baking teams are tasked with creating holiday memory snow globe scenes in gingerbread. And because a snow globe is nothing without snow, they must also make a treat using the most common baking ingredient to represent snow, coconut.

TUESDAY

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wetlands.
4:00 p.m. **WYLN 65 From the WYLN Kitchen**
9:00 p.m. **FOOD Beat Bobby Flay** Food Network's Anne Burrell and Damaris Phillips team up to hassle, heckle and hope Bobby Flay loses. They bring in Italian master chefs Ayaka Guido and Fabrizio Facchini to say "Adios, Roberto Flay!" once and for all.
10:00 p.m. **FOOD Well Done with Sebastian Maniscalco** Sebastian Maniscalco spends a day on the Pacific to find out if he has what it takes to be a fisherman and if fish actually tastes better when you catch it yourself. But first he has to overcome a brutal bout of seasickness.

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4:00 p.m. **WYLN 65 From the WYLN Kitchen**
9:00 p.m. **FOOD Guy's Grocery Games**

THURSDAY

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Sudoku Solution

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Lebanese love song at Sweetwater wetlands.
4:00 p.m. **WYLN 65 From the WYLN Kitchen**
9:00 p.m. **FOOD Christmas Cookie Challenge** Five cookie makers play a game of Christmas opposites by flipping the cookie script on classic Christmas designs. Then the games continue as hosts Ree Drummond and Eddie Jackson ask for edible 3-D board games that they can actually play and then eat.

FRIDAY

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4:00 p.m. **WYLN 65 From the WYLN Kitchen**
9:00 p.m. **FOOD Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**

SATURDAY

11:00 a.m. **FOOD The Kitchen** The Kitchen hosts explore Turkey Day basics with essential recipes and tips for every home cook. There's a butterflied roast turkey with easy orange spice rub, creamy potato puree, creamy green bean salad and classic chess pie for dessert.
1:00 p.m. **FOOD Trisha's Southern Kitchen** Trisha Yearwood makes her favorite Thanksgiving dishes, including a turkey injected with ranch dressing. Plus, Trisha cooks up Grandma Lizzie's cornbread dressing, sweet potato pudding and a sheet pan slab pie featuring apples, pears and blueberries.
6:00 p.m. **CSN What's Brewing**

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Letters & Numbers Solution

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Crossword Solution

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Best bets this week

Sunday

VICE

SHOW 8:00 p.m.

Fearless correspondents travel the world to report on dangerous wars, dictatorships, incidents of police brutality and more in this new episode of the popular news series. Alzo Slade, Isobel Yeung and David Noriega are among the journalists featured.

Adele One Night Only

WYOU 22

KYW 3 8:30 p.m.

Musical powerhouse and global superstar Adele premieres her newest album, "30," in this one-night special. The two-hour event features several of her established hits, alongside first-time performances of songs from the new post-divorce album.

Curb Your Enthusiasm

HBO 10:35 p.m.

Larry David returns for a new episode of this absurdist sitcom

in which he plays a fictionalized version of himself. Now into its 11th season, the show follows the writer/producer as he gets up to misadventures and misunderstandings with friends in L.A.

Monday

Dancing With the Stars

WNEP 15 8:00 p.m.

Supermodel, television host and actress Tyra Banks returns to host this hit series' newest season. Celebrity contestants are paired up with professional dancers, and their routines are scored by a panel of judges and viewer votes in this semi-final round.

Tuesday

Under the Tuscan Sun

SHOW 5:20 p.m.

When Frances (Diane Lane)

learns her husband is cheating,

Adele performs in "Adele One Night Only"

her seemingly perfect life is upended. Hoping to start anew, she buys a villa in Tuscany and begins to create relationships with the people she meets. Sandra Oh and Lindsay Duncan also star.

Wednesday

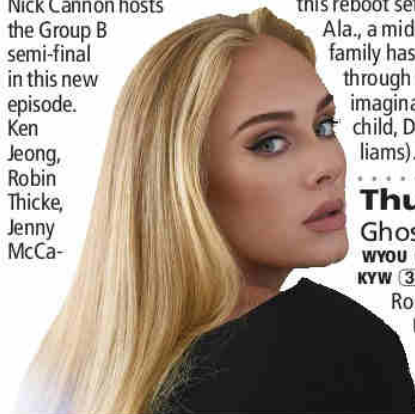
The Masked Singer

WOLF 53 8:00 p.m.

Nick Cannon hosts

the Group B semi-final in this new episode.

Ken Jeong, Robin Thicke, Jenny McCa-



rthy-Wahlberg and Nicole Scherzinger once again guess the identities of elaborately costumed celebrities who perform and give clues about themselves.

The Wonder Years

WNEP 13 8:30 p.m.

This new series is an original take on the show of the same name from the late '80s. In this reboot set in Montgomery, Ala., a middle-class Black family has their story told through the eyes of their imaginative 12-year-old child, Dean (Elisha Williams).

Thursday

Ghosts

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Rose McIver and Utkarsh Ambudkar star in this American remake of

the British sitcom. This new episode continues to follow the couple as they fix up their newly inherited estate while dealing with a group of eccentric ghosts that also inhabit the home.

Friday

Men in Black: International

FX 5:00 p.m.

Back with a new generation of agents, the Men in Black are faced with their biggest task yet. Accustomed to fighting against the threat of alien invasion, the agents must now protect the world from a mole in their own organization. Chris Hemsworth stars.

Saturday

Con Air

AMC 1:30 p.m.

Cameron Poe (Nicolas Cage) went to prison for accidentally killing a man. Once released,

he is put aboard a plane filled with the worst of America's criminals. When they hijack the flight, Poe tries to overtake them with the help of a federal marshal.

Four Christmases

TNT 8:00 p.m.

Kate (Reese Witherspoon) and Brad (Vince Vaughn) aren't the family type, spending every holiday taking a tropical vacation. But when a storm leaves them unable to travel, they're forced to spend Christmas with all four sets of their divorced parents.

American Dad!

TOON 10:00 p.m.

Seth MacFarlane voices vigilant CIA agent and father Stan Smith in back-to-back rebroadcasts of this adult animated comedy. First, Francine joins in on Steve's live-action role-playing. Later, Stan opens a knock-off SeaWorld in the house.

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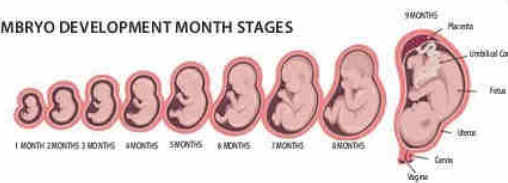
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NETFLIX this week

By **Raye Smith**
TV Media

"The Princess Switch 3: Romancing the Star" (2021)

The royal doppelgangers are back just in time for Christmas in "The Princess Switch 3: Romancing the Star," premiering Thursday, Nov. 18, on Netflix. Vanessa Hudgens ("Beastly," 2011) does it all in this film, playing Princess Stacey Wyndham of Belgravia, Queen Margaret Delacourt of Montenegro and Lady Fiona Pembroke in this fun family film franchise. In this latest installment of the film series, Princess Stacey and Queen Margaret come back together once again to host a traditional Christmas festival in Montenegro. However, when a priceless Christmas relic is stolen, the pair are forced to turn to their old rival, Margaret's cousin, Lady Fiona Pembroke, to help get the relic back by any means necessary. Directed by Mike Rohl ("When Calls the Heart") and written by Robin Bernheim ("Remington Steele"), the film also stars Nick Sagar ("Queen of the South"), Remy Hii ("Spider-Man: Far From Home," 2019), Amanda Donohoe ("Liar Liar," 1997), Will Kemp ("Reign"), Sam Palladio ("Nashville"), Suanne Braun ("Summer of Rockets") and Florence Hall ("Queens of Mystery").



Vanessa Hudgens stars in "The Princess Switch 3: Romancing the Star"

"Johnny Test's Ultimate Meatloaf Quest" (2021)

Meatloaf is no joking matter in the new TV special "Johnny Test's Ultimate Meatloaf Quest," streaming Tuesday, Nov. 16, on Netflix. Johnny Test (James Arnold Taylor, "Star Wars: The Clone Wars") and his dog, Duke (Trevor Devall, "He-Man and the Masters of the Universe"), are back for another out-of-this-world adventure. Viewers join the pair on a special interactive quest to find the perfect meatloaf and save themselves from having to eat his dad's "garbage loaf" for dinner. With his super-genius older sisters, Mary (Emily Tennant,

"Dirk Gently's Holistic Detective Agency") and Susan (Maryke Hendrikse, "Polly Pocket"), scheming as per usual, their quest is anything but ordinary. "Johnny Test" series directors Jim Miller and Tim Stuby return to direct and write this special alongside series writer Scott Fellows. Ian James Corlett ("Dragon Ball Z"), Andrew Francis ("Max Steel") and Lee Tockar ("My Little Pony: Friendship is Magic") also voice star.

"Blown Away: Christmas"

Netflix's hit glass-blowing competition series returns to

the streamer with a special four-part holiday edition beginning Friday, Nov. 19, in "Blown Away: Christmas." "Queer Eye" design expert Bobby Berk is slated to host the competition, with "Blown Away's" resident evaluator and Canadian glass artist extraordinaire Katherine Gray by his side. Five of the series' fan-favorite glass blowers return to the hot shop for the holiday run, competing in a series of Christmas-themed challenges. It'll be a truly joyful holiday season for the last artist standing, as the winner takes home \$10,000 for themselves and an additional \$10,000 is given to a charity of their choice.

Season 2 runner-up Cat Burns returns for a shot at redemption alongside Alexander Rosenberg and Edgar Valentine from Season 1, as well as Nao Yamamoto and Andi Kovel from Season 2.

"Cowboy Bebop" - Season 1

Anime's favorite space cowboys get a makeover in the brand-new series "Cowboy Bebop," premiering Friday, Nov. 19, on Netflix. A live-action adaptation of the Japanese anime series of the same name, the series brings a new feel to the beloved classic. Spike Spiegel (John Cho, "Star Trek," 2009), Jet Black (Mustafa Shakir, "The Deuce") and Faye Valentine (Daniella Pineda, "The Originals") star as a ragtag group of bounty hunters who travel the galaxy chasing down its most dangerous criminals. Any and all missions are fair game no matter how dangerous — for the right price. Directed by Alex Garcia Lopez ("The Witcher") and Michael Katleman ("Life on Mars"), the series was developed for Netflix by André Nemeč ("Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows," 2016). Elena Satine ("The Gifted"), Alex Hassell ("Cold Mountain," 2003), Blessing Mokgohloa ("Pulse"), Lucy Currey ("Black Hands") and newcomer Molly Moriarty also star in the series.

"Tick, Tick ... BOOM!" (2021)

Take your seats and set your phones to silent for the new musical experience "Tick, Tick ... Boom!" premiering Friday, Nov. 19, on Netflix. A film adaptation of "Rent" composer and playwright Jonathan Larsen's semi-autobiographical musical of the same name, this film stars Andrew Garfield ("Hacksaw Ridge," 2016) as Jon, a promising young composer edging closer to his 30th birthday. Feeling like time is running out for him to make something great, Jon navigates love, friendship, life in New York City and his own quarter-life crisis while pushing himself to write the next great American musical. Featuring a screenplay by Steven Levenson ("Dear Evan Hansen," 2021), the musical is brought to the screen by director Lin-Manuel Miranda, the mind behind Broadway's smash-hit musical "Hamilton." Starring alongside Garfield in the musical are Vanessa Hudgens ("Journey 2: The Mysterious Island," 2012), Bradley Whitford ("The West Wing"), Richard Kind ("Argo," 2012), Alexandra Shipp ("X-Men: Apocalypse," 2016), Judith Light ("Who's the Boss?"), M.J. Rodriguez ("Pose"), Joel Grey ("Cabaret," 1972), Joshua Henry ("Sex and the City," 2008), Joanna Adler ("American Crime Story") and Mason Versaw ("Blue Bloods").

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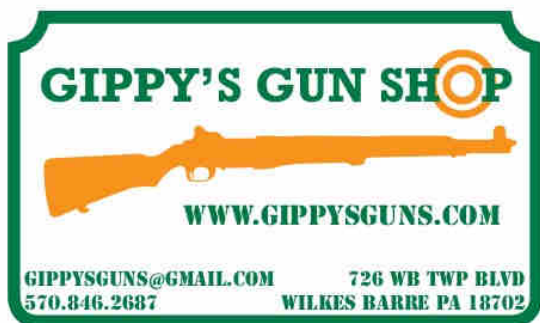
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controversies, rumors and feuds from the show's premiere season. (This means Jeff Lowe and his wife, Lauren, are also likely to reappear this time around.)

Larger than life: TLC has no shortage of shows chronicling weight-loss journeys and the dramatic personal lives of couples and families. Now, one show that has it all is making its way back to the network, and while the screen may be small, the drama is larger than life. Season 3 of "1000-lb Sisters" premieres Monday, Nov. 15, on TLC.

After a visit to her doctor, Dr. Eric Smith, at the end of Season 2, Tammy Slaton learned she had gained another 21 pounds. Weighing in at more than 600 pounds, Tammy's best efforts to follow her doctor's advice are taking second place to the feelings associated with her eating disorder.

"Sometimes I try to eat healthier, and then other days I'm like, 'What the heck's the point?'" Tammy told Smith last season, going on to explain how her depression and eating habits are inextricably linked: "I know I shouldn't sit there and eat it all, but I do, and I don't know how to stop."

Sadly, it appears this season Tammy is struggling harder than ever as life changes around her and she can't seem to shed any weight—be it physical or emotional.

"Tammy's going backwards," sister Amy said in TLC's official Season 3 sneak peek trailer. "It's like the Titanic, slowly sinking, and there's only so much people can take from her."

Real Talk

'Baskin' in the limelight

Netflix launches sequel to hit show 'Tiger King'

By Dana Simpson
TV Media

'Baskin' in limelight: TV viewers are excited because Netflix announced back in September that a second season of one of its most popular and memorable reality series would be returning to the streamer. That's right, Exoticists and Baskinites, "Tiger King: Murder, Mayhem and Madness" returns on Wednesday, Nov. 17, and this time they're promising even more meaty details.

The series first captured attention with its March 2020 release, with Netflix reporting it "attracted 64 million households in the first four weeks after its ... premiere." Just as everyone was settling into their brand-new quarantine routines, subscribers of the popular streamer had a new show to keep them company.

Complete with drama, mystery and, of course, tigers, fans were enamored with the rival big

cat-collecting zookeepers, and rumors quickly began swirling around leading lady Carole Baskin's involvement in the still-unsolved 1997 disappearance of her husband, Don Lewis.

Now back for Season 2, "Tiger King" producer Rebecca Chaiklin hinted that the "follow-up" could be "just as dramatic and just as colorful as what has unfolded these past few years."

Once again featuring animal lover Baskin, who claims to want to stop the sale of exotic cats, and Joe Maldonado-Passage, better known as Joe Exotic, who once paid an employee \$3,000 to kill Baskin and was subsequently sentenced to 22 years in jail, word has it Season 2 is likely to center on the fate of the rivals' zoos.

With a large portion of the footage shot during the making of Season 1 (considering Joe Exotic's current inmate status), fans of the fascinating series can expect to see some elaboration and possible solutions to the various



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this week

By Raye Smith
TV Media

"The Wheel of Time" (2021) - Season 1

Get lost in the magic of the epic fantasy series "The Wheel of Time," premiering its first three episodes on Prime on Friday, Nov. 19, with episodes airing weekly thereafter. Based on the New York Times bestselling high-fantasy series of the same name by Robert Jordan (and later, Brandon Sanderson), "The Wheel of Time" is set in a world in which the cyclical nature of time means events take place in both the distant past and future. While magic exists, only some are able to access it. Moiraine (Rosamund Pike, "Pride & Prejudice," 2005) is one of them, and circumstances take her on a dangerous journey throughout her world with five young people. Believing that one of them is the Dragon Reborn, a figure prophesied to either doom or save humanity, Moiraine travels with the group to find it once and for all. Season 1 of the series is based on the first of 15 books, and with Season 2 already greenlit to go ahead, fans of the series can expect to settle in for a true adventure. From showrunner and executive producer Rafe Judkins ("Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D."), the series is di-

rected by Uta Briesewitz ("Westworld"), Wayne Yip ("Utopia"), Salli Richardson-Whitfield ("The Gilded Age") and Sanaa Hamri ("Empire"). Josha Stradowski ("Just Friends," 2018), Marcus Rutherford ("County Lines," 2019), Zoë Robins ("Power Rangers Ninja Steel"), Sophie Okonedo ("Hotel Rwanda," 2004), Barney Harris ("Brighton Beach," 2020) and Madeleine Madden ("Mystery Road") also star in the series.

"Everybody Loves Natti" - Season 1

Take a peek behind the curtain into the life of Latin singing sensation Natti Natasha in the new reality series "Everybody Loves Natti," premiering Friday, Nov. 19, on Prime. The Dominican-born Reggaeton superstar opens up about her family, her relationships and what it takes to stay at the top of the game in a thriving Latinx music scene—all while she navigates a move to Miami and the making of a new record with a baby on the way! Opening up about her early life, the series features appearances from friends and collaborators who've helped get her to where she is today, including musicians Daddy Yankee ("Despacito"), Prince Royce ("Lao' a Lao") and Becky G ("Shower"), models Yovanna Ventura and Ariadna Gutiérrez, and more. The series comes



Madeleine Madden and Josha Stradowski in "The Wheel of Time"

from creator Mona Scott-Young ("Love & Hip Hop: Miami").

"Beginners" (2010)

The feel-good 2010 romantic comedy "Beginners" is landing on Prime Tuesday, Nov. 16. A heartfelt story about the many different kinds of love, "Beginners" stars Christopher Plummer ("The Insider," 1999) and Ewan McGregor ("Trainspotting," 1996)

as father-and-son duo Hal and Oliver. Shortly after the death of Oliver's mother, Georgia (Mary Page Keller, "The Negotiator," 1998), Hal comes out to his son. Now exploring life as an openly gay man and becoming active in the LGBTQ+ community, Hal is able to be his true self and, as a result, he's more open and honest with Oliver. As the pair grows closer during this time, they make the most of their bond while ex-

ploring a more mature and honest side of their relationship. So, when Hal becomes sick and dies of cancer, Oliver finds himself reflecting on the way his relationship with his father had progressed for the better. Told through a series of flashbacks, the story takes place over the five-year period following the death of Oliver's mom and before that of his dad; a period in which Oliver embraces his new-found perspective on life

and allows himself to open his own heart to love. Written and directed by Mike Mills ("20th Century Women," 2016), the film also stars Mélanie Laurent ("Inglourious Basterds," 2011), Goran Visnjic ("The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo," 2011), Kai Lennox ("Green Room," 2015), Keegan Boos ("Lost"), China Shavers ("American Crime Story") and Melissa Tang ("A Good Day to Die Hard," 2013).

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"Hit Monkey" - Season 1

Jump on board for the wild new adult animated series "Hit Monkey," premiering Wednesday, Nov. 17, on Hulu. The latest addition to the Marvel Cinematic Universe's lineup strays from the super-flicks that audiences have become so accustomed to, and has shifted focus to action-packed vigilante justice rather than saving the world. Based on the Marvel comic book character of the same name, the series voice stars Fred Tatasciore ("He-Man and the Masters of the Universe") as Hit-Monkey, a unique Japanese snow monkey on a mission of vengeance. With the ghost of former American assassin Bryce (Jason Sudeikis,

"Ted Lasso") mentoring him along the way, Hit-Monkey (and his bag of guns) takes Tokyo's crime underworld by murderous storm. Created by Josh Gordon and Will Speck, the duo responsible for comedy hits including "Blades of Glory" (2007), "The Switch" (2010) and "Office Christmas Party" (2016), this offbeat super-assassin series brings comic fans something new. Olivia Munn ("X-Men: Apocalypse," 2016), George Takei ("Star Trek: The Original Series"), Ally Maki ("Wrecked") and Nobi Nakanishi ("The Leviathan Chronicles") also voice star.

"The Great" - Season 2

The highly anticipated second season of "The Great" is finally here, making its debut on Friday, Nov. 19, on Hulu. Elle

Fanning ("Maleficent," 2014) is 18th-century Russian Monarch Catherine the Great in this semi-historical comedy drama. Exploring Catherine's rise from rural outsider to Russia's longest-reigning female ruler, this satirical series depicts Catherine as a young woman, during her marriage to Emperor Peter III (Nicholas Hoult, "Mad Max: Fury Road," 2015) and throughout the beginning of her rise to power. As she battles against her tyrannical buffoon of a husband, the court and her own mother (Gillian Anderson, "The X-Files"), she tries to liberate a country that doesn't want to be liberated — all while pregnant with the empire's future heir. Now, in Season 2, Catherine begins to realize just how much it will cost her to rule the country. Featuring 10 new episodes, the series' second season sees the



Douglas Hodge, Elle Fanning and Sacha Dhawan as seen in "The Great"

return of regulars Phoebe Fox ("Eye in the Sky," 2015), Sacha Dhawan ("Iron Fist"), Adam Godley ("Breaking Bad"), Gwilym Lee ("Bohemian Rhapsody," 2018), Charity Wakefield ("Wolf Hall"), Belinda Bromilow ("Doctor Doctor") and Douglas Hodge ("Lost in Space").

"The Curse of Von Dutch"

Stay on-trend with the new documentary miniseries "The Curse of Von Dutch," premiering Thursday, Nov. 18, on Hulu. This three-part documentary chronicles the rise and fall of the Von Dutch fashion brand, one

of the most iconic and easily recognizable brands from the early 2000s. Inspired by Kustom Kulture movement artist Kenny Howard, whose nickname was Von Dutch, the brand rose to popularity when his daughter sold the name off to Michael Cassel and Robert Vaughn after her father's death in 1992. Quickly gaining attention from big-name stars, Von Dutch's iconic trucker hats could be seen on young celebrities from around the world as "Venice Beach surfers, gangsters, European fashionistas and Hollywood movers and shakers" were all throwing their own hats in the ring to take control

of the company (per Hulu). With a decade of greed, back-stabbing and bloodshed adding color to the company's sordid history, this new series brings the company's dark side into the light as audiences discover how the brand rose from obscurity to become wildly popular, only to descend into obsolescence more. Executive produced and directed by Andrew Renzi ("The Benefactor," 2015), the series is produced by the Intellectual Property Corporation (IPC) with help from Eli Holzman and Aaron Saidman (both of "Leah Remini: Scientology and the Aftermath") and Sheila Conlin ("Kitchen Nightmares").

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this week

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"A Muppets Christmas: Letters To Santa" (2008)

As many humans hit the shopping malls to buy presents for their loved ones and gear up for the holidays, some not-so-human creatures are thinking ahead to their own gifts. Available to stream on Disney+ as of Friday, Nov. 19, the Muppets prepare for Christmas in "A Muppets Christmas: Letters to Santa." Not to be confused with the much earlier (and much more popular) "The Muppets Christmas Carol" (1992), this 2008 film sees everyone's favorite furry, anthropomorphized puppets return for another quirky and fun-filled adventure in the snow. The film follows the Jim Henson ("Fraggle Rock") crew after Gonzo (voiced by Dave Goelz, "Labyrinth," 1986)



Gonzo in "A Muppets Christmas: Letters to Santa"

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accidentally diverts three letters headed for the North Pole. Admitting his mistake, Gonzo suggests his friends take the initiative to personally deliver their letters to the big, jolly man himself. A made-for-TV special that originally aired in 2008 on NBC, "A Muppets Christmas: Letters to Santa" guest stars Madison Pettis ("The Game Plan," 2007), Jane Krakowski ("Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt"), Nathan Lane ("The Producers," 2005), Uma Thurman ("Kill Bill: Vol. 1," 2003), Whoopi Goldberg ("Sister Act," 1992), Paul Williams ("Baby Driver," 2017) and Steve Schirripa and Tony Sirico (both of "The Sopranos"), among others. Meanwhile, returning Muppets include Kermit the Frog, Rizzo the Rat, Statler and Beaker (voiced by Steve Whitmire, "Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures"), Pepe the Prawn, Swedish Chef, Rowlf, Dr. Teeth, Bobo the Bear and Husband Pigeon (Bill Barretta, "Kim Possible"), Fozzie

Bear, Miss Piggy, Animal and Sam the Eagle (Eric Jacobson, "Sesame Street") and so many more. Also, look for a special appearance from Santa (Richard Griffiths, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone," 2001), and one from then-New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg (who had cameos in other shows including "30 Rock," "The Good Wife," "The Good Fight," "Law & Order" and the 2011 film "New Year's Eve").

"Minnie's Bow-Toons: Party Palace Pals!" - Season 1

Disney's best-dressed mouse is back on Wednesday, Nov. 17, and this time, she has her own show. Minnie Mouse (voiced by Russi Taylor, "The Simpsons Movie," 2007) returns to the small screen with her friends for Season 1 of "Minnie's Bow-Toons: Party Palace Pals!," airing on Disney+. A revival of the original 2011-2016 series "Minnie's Bow Toons," the "Party Palace Pals!" installments sees Minnie and her best friend, Daisy Duck (voiced by "Animaniacs" Tress MacNeille), take on the challenging task of running a business together. Called the Polka Dot Party Palace, the venture is a place for the pair of besties to showcase their creativity and style while planning parties for the town's locals. Throughout the series — which first aired on the Disney Junior YouTube channel in April of this year — Minnie and Daisy navigate everything from how to get a couch into their new apartment and how to put together a new vanity to impromptu surprise parties, disaster prevention and a puppy balloon party. Made in the style of the computer-animated "Mickey Mouse Mixed-Up Adventures," this series features all the familiar voices from the original "Bow-Toons" series.

"The Pixar Story" (2007)

Fans of animation and CGI are getting a new documentary



Daisy and Minnie from "Minnie's Bow-Toons: Party Palace Pals!"

coming their way when "The Pixar Story" lands on Disney+ on Friday, Nov. 19. A documentary created by Leslie Iwerks ("Recycled Life," 2006), granddaughter of famous Disney animator and Mickey Mouse designer Ub Iwerks ("Lady and the Tramp," 1955), "The Pixar Story" takes audiences behind the scenes of the company to illustrate (pun not intended, but gladly left in) all the work that goes into one of their trademark animated films.

Through interviews with company executives and contributors — including profiles on "Toy Story" (2005) director John Lasseter, late American business mogul Steve Jobs and Pixar co-founder/former Disney president Ed Cat-

mull — this feature-length film chronicles the rise of Pixar alongside the decline of 2-D animation. Fun and informative for the whole family, the documentary is narrated by Stacey Keach ("Man With a Plan").

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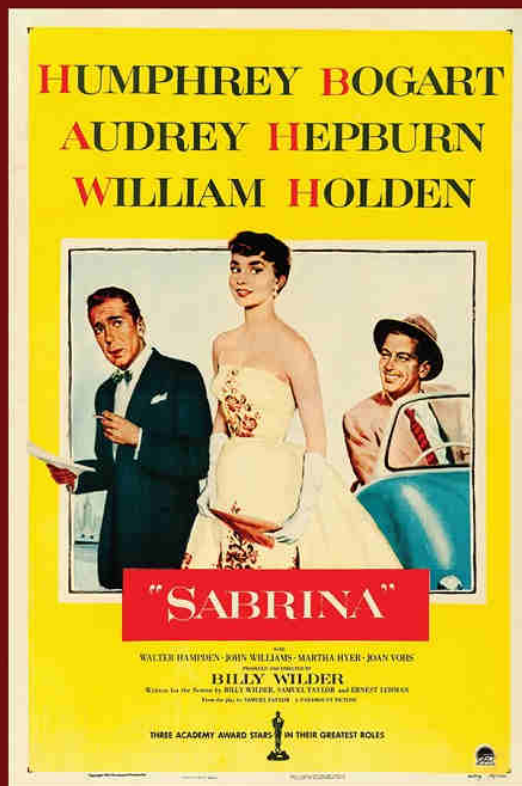
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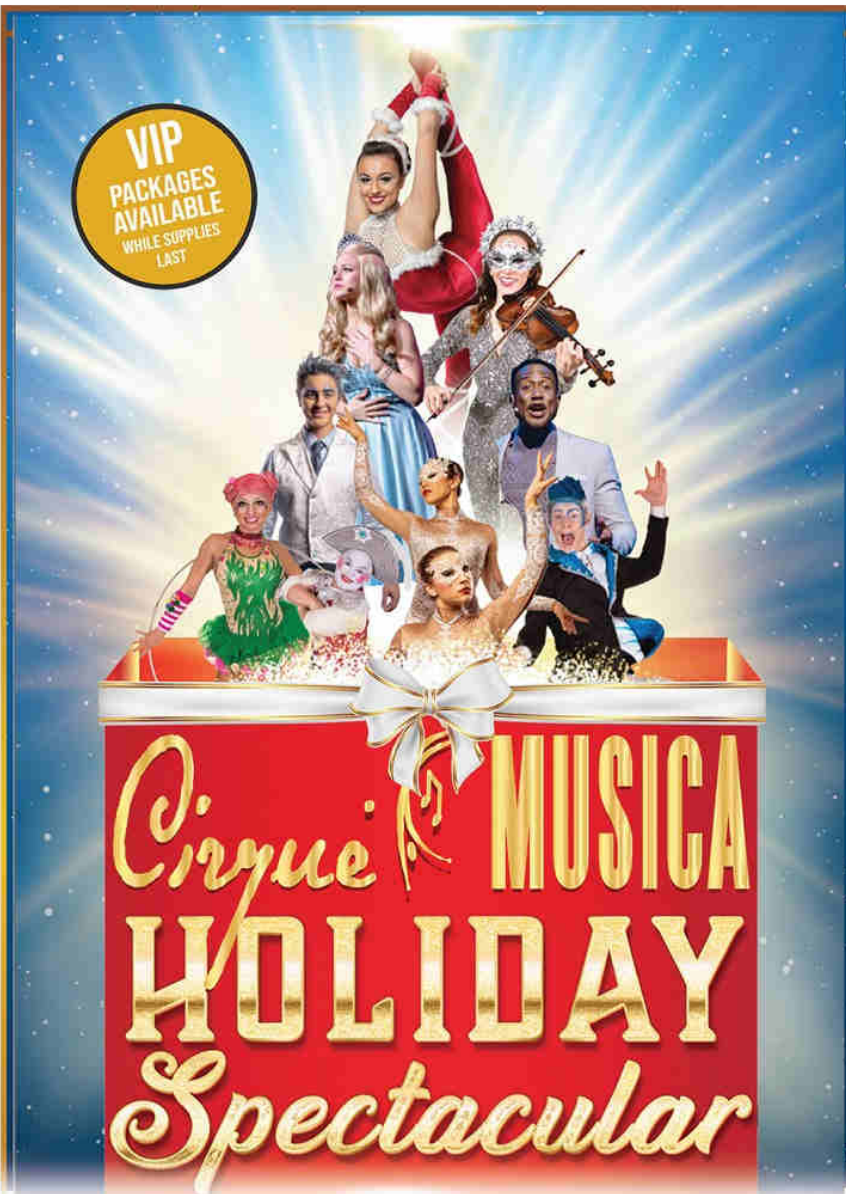
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