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ABC'S NEW COURTROOM COMEDY, 'JUDGE STEVE HARVEY' (WORKING TITLE), IS IN SESSION

STEVE HARVEY TO STAR

ABC announced today the greenlight of 10-episode courtroom comedy series "Judge Steve Harvey" (working title). The judge, the jury and the star of the series, Steve Harvey, will welcome a variety of conflicts and characters to his courtroom – from small claims to big disputes and everything in between. Steve plays by his own rules, basing his courtroom on his own life experiences and some good old common sense. The one-hour primetime unscripted comedy "Judge Steve Harvey" (working title) will premiere on ABC in 2022.

Casting is currently underway for the series. More information can be found [here](#).

From Steve Harvey, "Judge Steve Harvey" (working title) is produced by Den of Thieves in association with Walt Disney Television's newly formed alternative unit. Steve Harvey, Brandon Williams, and Den of Thieves' Jesse Ignjatovic, Evan Prager, Jared Morrell and Barb Bialkowski serve as executive producers, with Myeshia Mizuno as showrunner and executive producer.

Follow "Judge Steve Harvey" (#JudgeSteveHarvey) on [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

ABC NEWS AND DISNEY PARKS TO PRODUCE 'THE MOST MAGICAL STORY ON EARTH: 50 YEARS OF WALT DISNEY WORLD,' A CELEBRATION OF WALT DISNEY WORLD'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY, AIRING FRIDAY, OCT. 1, ON ABC

**Disney Legend Whoopi Goldberg Set to Host;
Disney Legend Christina Aguilera and Disney's 'The Little Mermaid' Halle Bailey to Perform;
Anthony Anderson, Tom Brady, John Stamos and More to Appear**



David Roark/Walt Disney World Resort

In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Walt Disney World Resort, ABC will present a spectacular television event, **“The Most Magical Story on Earth: 50 Years of Walt Disney World,”** taking viewers on a historical journey spanning half a century and beyond at Walt Disney World in Florida. Hosted by Disney Legend and moderator of ABC’s “The View,” **Whoopi Goldberg**, the two-hour program will feature spectacular visuals and musical performances from **Christina Aguilera** and Disney’s “The Little Mermaid” **Halle Bailey** in front of the legendary Cinderella Castle at Magic Kingdom Park, accompanied by the renowned **Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra**; as well as interviews with iconic actors, actresses and athletes, Walt Disney World cast members, Disney Imagineers and executives past and present, who have all played their unique part in sprinkling pixie dust over “The Most Magical Place on Earth.” “The Most Magical Story on Earth: 50 Years of Walt Disney World” airs **FRIDAY, OCT. 1 (8:00-10:01 p.m. EDT), on ABC**. It can also be viewed the next day on demand and on [Hulu](#), and later in the month on [Disney+](#).

This EAridescent special event will take viewers through Walt Disney World’s humble beginnings in the swamplands of Florida and its evolution into a cultural phenomenon. Through an expansive look into the past, present and future of the vacation destination, fans will get a never-before-seen-on-TV glimpse into the journey to bring Walt’s vision to life and a look at grand plans for the future. The special will also document some of Walt Disney World’s most memorable pop-culture moments, from the many sitcoms that filmed episodes in the theme parks to the conception of the ubiquitous “I’m going to Disney World!” campaign. Plus, viewers will get a heartwarming look at how Disney and Make-A-Wish foundation have worked together for over 40 years to make kids’ Disney dreams come true.

Celebrities including Anthony Anderson, John Stamos, Marsai Martin, Melissa Joan Hart, Candace Cameron Bure and Gary Sinise; NFL athletes Tom Brady, Phil Simms and Doug Williams; and creative forces Kevin Feige, Pete Docter and James Cameron; Walt Disney World Imagineers including Bob Weis, Mark Kohl and Ann Morrow Johnson; and Disney executives past and present including Bob Chapek, Bob Iger and Michael Eisner will all share their favorite memories of Walt Disney World, the unparalleled family destination.

“The Most Magical Story on Earth: 50 Years of Walt Disney World” is produced by ABC News in association with ABC Entertainment and Disney Parks Global Content. David Sloan and Sally Conner are senior executive producers and Matt Lombardi is executive producer.

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SHARK TANK

**ABC’S ‘SHARK TANK’ RETURNS FOR ITS 13TH SEASON WITH
FOUR NEW GUEST SHARKS DIVING INTO THE TANK FOR THE FIRST TIME**

**Kevin Hart, Actor, Investor and Entrepreneur; Emma Grede, CEO and Co-Founder of Good American and Founding Partner of SKIMS;
Peter Jones, Dragon on BBC’s Dragon’s Den; and Nirav Tolia, Co-Founder of Nextdoor, Also Join
Returning Guest Shark Daniel Lubetzky**

Season 13 Premieres Friday, Oct. 8

“Shark Tank,” the critically acclaimed and multi-Emmy® Award-winning business-themed unscripted series that celebrates entrepreneurship in America, adds four new guest Sharks for its 13th season, premiering **FRIDAY, OCT. 8** (8:00-9:01 p.m. EDT), on ABC. Emma Grede, CEO and co-founder of Good American and founding partner of SKIMS; Kevin Hart, actor, investor and entrepreneur; Peter Jones, the sole remaining original Dragon on the BBC’s “Dragons’ Den”; and Nirav Tolia, co-founder of Nextdoor, will appear individually alongside long-standing Sharks Mark Cuban, Barbara Corcoran, Lori Greiner, Robert Herjavec, Daymond John and Kevin O’Leary in various episodes during the 2021-2022 season. Daniel Lubetzky, founder and executive chairman of KIND, also returns this season. Episodes can be viewed the day after their premiere on demand and on [Hulu](#).

Last season, “Shark Tank” delivered its most-watched season in three years and ranked as Friday’s No. 1 show in Adults 18-49.

Produced by MGM Television and Sony Pictures Television, the unrivaled and beloved show has become a culturally defining series. The recipient of the 2017, 2016, 2015 and 2014 Emmy Awards for Outstanding Structured Reality Program, “Shark Tank” features The Sharks – tough, self-made, multimillionaire and billionaire tycoons – as they invest in America’s best businesses and products. The Sharks will give people from all walks of life the chance to chase the American dream and potentially secure business deals that could make them millionaires. Mark Burnett, Clay Newbill, Yun Lingner, Max Swedlow and Phil Gurin, Brandon Wallace, Mark Cuban, Barbara Corcoran, Lori Greiner, Robert Herjavec, Daymond John and Kevin O’Leary are the executive producers of “Shark Tank,” which is based on the Japanese “Dragons’ Den” format, created by Nippon Television Network Corporation. The series is produced by MGM Television in association with Sony Pictures Television.

Follow “Shark Tank” ([#SharkTank](#)) on [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), and [Facebook](#).



**ABC ANNOUNCES THE STAR-STUDDED LINEUP TAKING A SPIN
FOR SEASON TWO OF 'CELEBRITY WHEEL OF FORTUNE'**

**Anthony Anderson, Laverne Cox, Tori Spelling, Jason Alexander, Tituss Burgess and More to
Appear**

"Celebrity Wheel of Fortune" returns with its star-studded spin on America's Game® when season two premieres on its new night, **SUNDAY, SEPT. 26** (8:00-9:00 p.m. EDT), on ABC. Hosted by pop-culture legends Pat Sajak and Vanna White, "Celebrity Wheel of Fortune" welcomes celebrity contestants to spin the world's most famous Wheel and solve word puzzles for a chance to win up to \$1 million. All of the money won by the celebrity contestants will go to a charity of their choice. Episodes can also be viewed the next day on demand and on [Hulu](#).

The celebrity contestants include Jason Alexander, Tatyana Ali, Anthony Anderson, Tituss Burgess, Cheryl Burke, Brooke Burns, Lacey Chabert, Mario Cantone, Laverne Cox, Marcia Cross, Joey Fatone, Vivica A. Fox, Jeff Garlin, Anthony Michael Hall, Melissa Joan Hart, John Michael Higgins, Vanilla Ice, Tara Lipinski, Loni Love, Von Miller, Michael Mizanin, Wanya Morris, Jason Mraz, Haley Joel Osment, Donny Osmond, James Pickens Jr., Caroline Rhea, Andy Richter, Amber Riley, Tori Spelling, Shawn Stockman, Curtis Stone, Jodie Sweetin, Raven-Symoné, Karl-Anthony Towns, Michelle Trachtenberg, Nia Vardalos, Johnny Weir and Ali Wentworth.

"Celebrity Wheel of Fortune" is produced by Sony Pictures Television, a Sony Pictures Entertainment company. "Wheel of Fortune" is distributed by CBS Television Distribution.

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