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ABC NEWS STUDIOS ANNOUNCES NETWORK PREMIERE FOR THE EMMY®-NOMINATED DOCUMENTARY 'PRETTY BABY: BROOKE SHIELDS' ON MONDAY, JAN. 8, ON ABC

Emmy Award-Winning Director Lana Wilson Takes a Galvanizing Look at Actor, Model and Icon Brooke Shields's Journey, Transforming From Sexualized Young Girl to a Woman Discovering Her Power



ABC News*

ABC News Studios announces the network premiere of the award-winning documentary **“Pretty Baby: Brooke Shields,”** from Emmy Award-winning director Lana Wilson (“Miss Americana”), on **Monday, Jan. 8** (8:00-11:00 p.m. EST), on ABC. The film, produced in partnership with Boat Rocker’s Matador Content and Bedby8 for ABC News Studios, celebrated its world premiere to a sold-out crowd and standing ovation at the 2023 Sundance Film Festival before premiering on [Hulu](#).

“Pretty Baby: Brooke Shields” garnered ABC News its first-ever Primetime Emmy Award nominations with two nods in nonfiction program categories, including Outstanding Directing for a Documentary for Lana Wilson and Outstanding Picture Editing. The documentary is a galvanizing look at actor, model and icon Brooke Shields as she transforms from a sexualized young girl to a woman discovering her power. Holding a mirror up to a society that objectifies women and girls, her story shows the perils and triumphs of gaining agency in a hostile world. The film received two awards at the LA Press Club Arts and Entertainment Journalism Awards, including the honor for Personality Profile, a nomination from the Critics Choice Documentary Awards and two for the upcoming Cinema Eye Honors Award in the Best Broadcast Film and Best Broadcast Film Editing categories.

“Pretty Baby: Brooke Shields” follows Shields through her extraordinary childhood and complex relationship with her mother and manager, Teri Shields. Brooke Shields’ professional career began at only 11 months old, working as a child model before starring in Louis Malle’s controversial film

“Pretty Baby” at the age of 12. She became the face of the ‘80s with Calvin Klein jeans ads and leading roles in “The Blue Lagoon” and “Endless Love,” navigating the unrelenting scrutiny of the press and a culture that wanted to commodify her. After defying stereotypes by putting her career on hold to go to college, Shields reentered the entertainment industry as an adult, but it wasn’t until she began to trust herself and her instincts that she was able to find her identity and voice.

“Pretty Baby: Brooke Shields” is produced by Boat Rocker’s Matador Content and BedBy8 for ABC News Studios. Christine O’Malley and Jack Turner serve as producers. Matador Content’s Jay Peterson and Todd Lubin and Bedby8’s Ali Wentworth, George Stephanopoulos and Alyssa Mastromonaco are executive producers. Jacqueline Glover and Jennifer Joseph serve as executive producers for ABC News Studios. Lana Wilson is director and executive producer. ABC News Studios is led by Mike Kelley, and Reena Mehta is the SVP of Streaming and Digital Content.

ABOUT ABC NEWS STUDIOS

ABC News Studios, inspired by ABC News’ trusted reporting, is a premium, narrative nonfiction original production house and commissioning partner of series and specials. ABC News Studios champions untold and authentic stories driving the cultural zeitgeist spanning true-crime, investigations, pop culture and news-adjacent stories.

ABOUT MATADOR CONTENT

Matador Content (a Boat Rocker Company) is a full-service, award-winning content company based in New York City and Los Angeles. Founded in 2014, the company was acquired by Boat Rocker in 2018 and has produced content for leading television and streaming platforms including Netflix, Apple TV+, Peacock, Disney Channel, HBO, Lifetime, History, Disney+, Hulu, ROKU, TBS and the Discovery Channel. Matador’s output includes “Billie Eilish: The World’s A Little Blurry” (Apple TV+) and the upcoming “Drag Me To Dinner” (Hulu), starring Neil Patrick Harris. Matador is producing a number of upcoming documentaries, including a political thriller from acclaimed filmmakers Jesse Moss and Tony Gerber, in addition to “B.S. High: The Bishop Sycamore Story” (HBO). For more information, please visit www.matadorcontent.com.

ABOUT BEDBY8

BedBy8 focuses on scripted television projects, limited series, and documentaries. Founded by Ali Wentworth, George Stephanopoulos and partner Alyssa Mastromonaco, the company brings compelling stories to life that are integral to the time we are in.

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