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**ABC NEWS' 'SUPERSTAR' PROFILES LEGENDARY COMEDIAN RICHARD PRYOR, WHOSE
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'Superstar: Richard Pryor' Airs Wednesday, Sept. 1 (10:00-11:00 p.m. EDT), on ABC



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ABC News' "Superstar" profiles legendary comedian Richard Pryor, whose groundbreaking work influenced millions. Using material from the ABC News archives, "Superstar: Richard Pryor" explores the iconic comedian's complex years growing up in a brothel, how he made his way into the world of show business, and how he found his place by breaking barriers with his honest comedy that depicted the realities of Black America. The primetime event also dives into his issues with drugs, a near-death experience that had a profound impact on him, his multiple sclerosis diagnosis, and his lasting legacy following his death. "Superstar: Richard Pryor" is told not only in Pryor's own words, through his archival interview with ABC's Barbara Walters, but also by friends, family and colleagues who knew him best. **"Superstar: Richard Pryor" airs Wednesday, Sept. 1 (10:00-11:00 p.m. EDT), on ABC.** It can also be viewed the next day on demand and on [Hulu](https://www.hulu.com).

"Superstar" is produced by ABC News. David Sloan is senior executive producer. Muriel Pearson is executive producer.

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