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ABC'S 'DANCING WITH THE STARS' RETURNS TO THE BALLROOM, MONDAY, SEPT. 14

This Season's Pro Dancers Announced This Morning on ABC's 'Good Morning America'

Supermodel and Businesswoman Tyra Banks to Host 2020 Season

"Dancing with the Stars" is waltzing its way into the ballroom for its premiere on **MONDAY, SEPT. 14** (8:00-10:00 p.m. EDT), on ABC. Episodes can be viewed the next day on demand and on <u>Hulu</u>. The unprecedented season welcomes new host Tyra Banks, a fresh take on the competition, and exciting new and returning pros, all while maintaining the heart and soul of the beloved series. Celebrity dancers and additional production details will be announced at a later date.

This season features the return of many beloved pro dancers including Sharna Burgess and Keo Motsepe, as well as the addition of professional ballroom dancers Britt Stewart and Daniella Karagach getting celebrity partners for the first time. Viewers will have to tune in to the season premiere to find out with whom their favorite professional dancers are paired.

This season's professional dancers include (in alphabetical order) the following:

- Brandon Armstrong
- Alan Bersten
- Sharna Burgess
- Cheryl Burke
- Val Chmerkovskiy
- Sasha Farber
- Jenna Johnson
- Daniella Karagach
- Keo Motsepe
- Peta Murgatroyd
- Pasha Pashkov
- Gleb Savchenko
- Emma Slater
- Britt Stewart

"Dancing with the Stars" averaged 9.1 million Total Viewers last season after 35 days of viewing across linear and digital platforms.

"Dancing with the Stars" is the series in which celebrities perform choreographed dance routines that are judged by a panel of renowned ballroom experts. The series is produced by BBC Studios' Los Angeles production arm. Andrew Llinares and Tyra Banks are executive producers.

About ABC Entertainment

ABC Entertainment airs compelling programming across all day parts, including "Grey's Anatomy," the longest-running medical drama in primetime television; riveting dramas "The Good Doctor," "A Million Little Things" and "Station 19"; trailblazing comedy favorites "American Housewife," "black-ish," "The Conners," "The Goldbergs" and "mixed-ish"; the popular "Summer Fun & Games" programming block, including "Celebrity Family Feud," "Holey Moley," "Match Game," "Press Your Luck" and "To Tell the Truth"; star-making sensation "American Idol"; reality phenomenon "Shark Tank"; "The Bachelor" franchise; long-running hits "Dancing with the Stars" and "America's Funniest Home Videos"; "General Hospital," which has aired for more than 55 years on the network; and late-night talk show "Jimmy Kimmel Live!"; as well as the critically acclaimed, Emmy® Award-winning special "Live in Front of a Studio Audience: Norman Lear's 'All in the Family' and 'The Jeffersons.'" The network also boasts some of television's most prestigious awards shows, including "The Oscars®," "The CMA Awards" and the "American Music Awards."

ABC programming can also be viewed on demand and on <u>Hulu</u>.

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In the Americas, BBC Studios operates two production units – one in Los Angeles, responsible for ratings juggernaut and Emmy®-nominated *Dancing with the Stars* and multi-award-winning *Life Below Zero*, and the other in Brazil, where local productions *Dancing Brasil* and *Bake Off Brasil* have become breakout hits. The company manages joint venture relationships with AMC Networks for flagship channel BBC AMERICA (U.S.) – home of original series *Killing Eve* and global brands *Dynasties, Doctor Who*, and *Top Gear* – and with ITV for SVoD service BritBox (U.S./Canada), as well as strategic partnerships in Canada with Blue Ant Media for BBC Earth Channel and Corus for BBC Canada. The company also boasts a franchise management business and a robust linear and digital content sales and co-productions operation.

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