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ABC NEWS STUDIOS AND CREAM PRODUCTIONS DEBUT 'THE GAME SHOW SHOW' WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, ON ABC — A NEW SERIES THAT UNPACKS THE HISTORY AND IMPACT OF GAME SHOWS ACROSS EIGHT DECADES OF AMERICAN CULTURE

Four-Part Series Features Game Show Legends Drew Carey, Vanna White, Ken Jennings, Chuck Woolery, Amy Schneider, Bob Eubanks, Howie Mandel, Wayne Brady and More

Evening Kicks Off With a New Episode of 'Jeopardy! Masters' and a Special Edition of 'Celebrity Wheel of Fortune' Featuring Vanna White Playing the Game Alongside 'Jeopardy!' Hosts Ken Jennings and Mayim Bialik



ABC News Studios*

ABC News announced today **"The Game Show Show,"** a four-part series that celebrates one of the most beloved and durable television genres of our time from **ABC News Studios**. Spin the wheel, beat the clock, guess the answer and play along through 80 years of game show history! Reflecting on the changing face of America, the series explores the contestants, hosts, visionary creators, and industry scandals that encapsulate iconic game shows. **"The Game Show Show"** debuts **Wednesday, May 10** (10:00-11:00 p.m. EDT), on **ABC**, following a new episode of "Jeopardy! Masters" (8:00-9:00 p.m. EDT) and a special episode of "Celebrity Wheel of Fortune" (9:00-10:00 p.m. EDT) featuring Vanna White competing as a contestant for the first time. All three shows will air next day on [Hulu](#).

EPISODE DESCRIPTIONS:

"THE GAME SHOW SHOW"

Episode One: "The Answer Is..." (Wednesday, May 10)

Since the radio age, America's love for the quiz show has remained constant, transcending technological innovation and surviving scandals. Today, the quiz show continues to evolve, with new

formats and revivals capturing the attention of millions across the country. But the quiz show also reveals a lot about American society. Changes to the kinds of questions hosts ask and how contestants and audiences are responding provide a glimpse into the transformation of American culture and its shifting relationship with knowledge. Featured interviews include Michael Strahan, Sara Haines, Jay Leno, Mark Cuban, Sherri Shepard and more.

Episode Two: “Show Me The Money” (Wednesday, May 17)

Guess the price, spin the wheel, take the gamble and become a millionaire. The chance to walk away with thousands — even millions — of dollars has cemented these game show phrases in American popular culture forever. Is the game show a path toward achieving the American dream, or is it just another scheme to get rich quick? As the game show adapts to changing norms in American society, a behind-the-scenes look at heart-wrenching moments of victory, defeat and even, at times, fraud puts a human face on the popular format. Featured interviews include Vanna White, Drew Carey, Chris Connelly, Wayne Brady and more.

Episode Three: “Over The Top” (Wednesday, May 24)

From singing in front of a star-studded panel to surviving on a remote island, reality competition game shows give audiences a chance to live vicariously through contestants who push the boundaries of human talent, skill and strength. With millions of eyes tuning in to see how the competition unfolds next, reality competition shows are a defining part of the American game show landscape. How these competition shows have evolved sheds new light on changes to the TV industry, as well as broader social shifts in American culture. Featured interviews include Nikki Glaser, Meredith Vieira, Howie Mandel, Claudia Jordan and more.

Episode Four: “Sex, Love or Money?” (Airdate TBA)

If love is a game, why can't it be a game show? Dating shows have quickly become a cornerstone of the American game show landscape, captivating viewers with the inevitable ups and downs of finding love on national TV. While dating and relationship shows have revolutionized the game show genre, they also offer something more fundamental: a compelling reflection of society at large, helping Americans navigate changing social norms around love, sex and gender roles. Featured interviews include Bob Eubanks, Chuck Woolery, Margaret Cho, Jerry O'Connell and more.

“The Game Show Show” is produced by Cream Productions for ABC News Studios. David Brady, Kate Harrison Karman, Sarah Gibson and John Ealer are executive producers for Cream Productions. David Sloan is senior executive producer, and Victoria Thompson is executive producer for ABC News Studios.

JEOPARDY! MASTERS

“Jeopardy! Masters,” produced by Sony Pictures Television and hosted by the “G.O.A.T.” Ken Jennings, is the latest iteration of America’s Favorite Quiz Show®. Each hourlong episode of the new series will showcase the six highest-ranked current “Jeopardy!” contestants, with two action-packed and high-stakes games. On Wednesday, May 10, audiences will follow along as Amy Schneider, Matt Amodio, Mattea Roach, Andrew He, Sam Buttrey and James Holzhauer go head-to-head for the grand prize and the title of “Jeopardy! Masters” champion.

“Jeopardy! Masters” is executive produced by Michael Davies.

CELEBRITY WHEEL OF FORTUNE

On Wednesday, May 10, contestants go head-to-head for charity in the Ultimate Host Night, with Vanna White calling letters instead of revealing them (for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital) against "Jeopardy!" hosts Ken Jennings (for the Equal Justice Initiative) and Mayim Bialik (for the Mental Wealth Alliance). "Celebrity Wheel of Fortune" welcomes celebrity contestants to spin the world's most famous Wheel and solve puzzles for a chance to win \$1 million.

"Celebrity Wheel of Fortune" is produced by Sony Pictures Television, a Sony Pictures Entertainment Company. Bellamie Blackstone is executive producer.

About ABC News Studios

ABC News Studios, inspired by ABC News' trusted reporting, is a premium, documentary and narrative non-fiction studio that both produces programming in-house and commissions projects from third parties. ABC News Studios champions untold and authentic stories driving the cultural zeitgeist spanning true-crime, investigations, pop culture and news-adjacent stories. ABC News Studios' original titles include critically acclaimed documentaries "Pretty Baby: Brooke Shields," "The Lady Bird Diaries" and "Leave No Trace" as well as compelling docu-series, including "Killing County," "Wild Crime," "Death in the Dorms" and "Still Missing Morgan."

About Cream Productions

Based in Toronto and led by David Brady and Kate Harrison Karman, Cream Productions develops, finances and produces distinctive and award-winning content across a wide range of genres for both North America and internationally. Among the company's many credits include The Story of Late Night, History of the Sitcom, Age of Samurai, All or Nothing: Toronto Maple Leafs, eight seasons of the hit Fear Thy Neighbor as well as feature documentaries Nike's Big Bet and Beautiful Scars. The company has also partnered on several projects with renowned filmmaker Eli Roth to produce Eli Roth Presents: My Possessed Pet, Urban Legend, The Haunted Museum: 3 Ring Inferno with Zak Bagans, Eli Roth Presents: A Ghost Ruined My Life as well as Eli Roth's Haunted House: Trick-VR-Treat, a virtual reality series that stars Vanessa Hudgens. In 2021, Cream achieved an incredible milestone by becoming carbon negative; the company was among the first to invest resources into creating a dedicated in-house committee to enhance its sustainability resources.

About ABC Entertainment

ABC Entertainment's compelling programming includes "Grey's Anatomy," the longest-running medical drama in primetime television; ratings juggernaut "The Bachelor" franchise; riveting dramas "Big Sky," "The Good Doctor," "A Million Little Things," "The Rookie" and "Station 19"; trailblazing comedies "Abbott Elementary," "The Conners," "The Goldbergs," "Home Economics" and "The Wonder Years"; popular game shows, including "The \$100,000 Pyramid," "Celebrity Family Feud," "The Chase," "Press Your Luck" and "To Tell the Truth"; star-making sensation "American Idol"; "Judge Steve Harvey," the network's strongest unscripted series debut in a year; reality phenomenon "Shark Tank"; family favorites "America's Funniest Home Videos" and "Holey Moley"; "General Hospital," which heads into its milestone 60th season on the network; and late-night talk show "Jimmy Kimmel Live!"; as well as the critically acclaimed, Emmy® Award-winning "Live in Front of a Studio Audience" specials. The network also boasts some of television's most prestigious awards shows, including "The Oscars®," "The CMA Awards" and the "American Music Awards."

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