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## IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE WHEN 'THE VIEW' RETURNS TO ITS NYC STUDIO AND KICKS OFF A YEARLONG SEASON 25 CELEBRATION, TUESDAY, SEPT. 7

Since 1997, an Incredible Group of Women Have Turned the Headlines of the Day Into Hot Topics and We Are Inviting Them Back to Join the Conversation for 'Flashback Fridays'

'The View' Is Taking a Little Time to Fill the Seat Welcoming a Lineup of Conservative Guest Co-Hosts Including Condoleezza Rice, Mia Love, Carly Fiorina and Alyssa Farah

Take an Extraordinary Look Inside the Emmy<sup>®</sup>-Winning Talk Show With the Women Who Have Had a Seat on the Panel When the 'Behind The Table' Podcast Series Debuts Tuesday, Sept. 14

Check Out <u>Audio Sneak Peek of 'Behind The Table'</u> and Take a Look at <u>What Happens When the</u> <u>Women of 'The View' Reunite After More Than a Year and a Half</u>



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At 11:00 a.m. EDT on Aug. 11, 1997, The ABC Television Network aired the live, premiere broadcast of "The View," a talk show created by Barbara Walters and unlike any that had previously appeared on television. The talk show phenomenon that has been often imitated but never duplicated is set to

return to its New York City studio on **TUESDAY**, **SEPT. 7** (11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. EDT), for the live premiere of its historic 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary season.

After concluding season 24 as the most-watched daytime talk show, ranking No. 1 in Households and Total Viewers among the daytime network and syndicated talk shows and news programs for the first time in the show's history, "The View" begins its seasonlong silver anniversary celebration when the co-hosts return to the studio and the iconic Hot Topics table. Moderator Whoopi Goldberg and co-hosts Joy Behar, Sunny Hostin and Sara Haines will host together in-studio for the first time since March 2020. Political commentator Ana Navarro continues in her role as guest co-host, making regular appearances throughout the season.

"25 years is such an incredible milestone," said executive producer Brian Teta. "We have so much planned to honor this amazing platform that Barbara Walters created. I can't think of a better way to kick off that celebration than by welcoming the co-hosts back to the iconic View table and to have them in front of a live studio audience again. We have some truly exciting plans to celebrate this anniversary all season long. We'll be inviting back all of our legendary lineup of former View co-hosts to guest as well as 'taking a little time' to find our next permanent cohost to join the panel."

After nearly a quarter of a century of Hot Topics and headlines debated and discussed by 22 co-hosts, the women who formerly had a seat at the table will visit "The View" on Fridays to help celebrate the show's incredible milestone. Star Jones returns to guest co-host for the first "Flashback Friday" and talk about her nine-season run as one of the show's original hosts, **FRIDAY**, **SEPT. 10**.

Continuing the mission of dynamic conversations with diverse points of view, "The View" is taking a little time to fill the co-host seat vacant since Meghan McCain's departure at the end of season 24. Throughout the season, the show will welcome conservative voices to guest co-host starting with former Utah congresswoman Mia Love premiere week. Additional guest co-hosts appearing in the coming months include Condoleezza Rice, S.E. Cupp, Carly Fiorina, Eboni K. Williams, Mary Katharine Ham, Alyssa Farah, Cameran Eubanks and Gretchen Carlson.

Get ready for candid and revealing conversations, never-before-heard stories, firsthand details behind headline-making controversies and moments that firmly cemented the talk show in pop-culture history from the incredible women who have had a seat at the table. On **SEPT. 14**, "The View" will debut "Behind The Table," a special podcast series from ABC Audio featuring former and current cohosts for an extraordinary look inside the talk show that has been making headlines since Barbara Walters first uttered the phrase, "I had this idea for a show." From the exclusive interviews with celebrities, newsmakers and politicians to the behind-the-scenes stories and their Twitter-trending conversations on-air, nothing is off limits. New episodes to post weekly.

"Behind The Table" is available as a special series within "The View" podcast feed. Listen for free on major podcast platforms, including <u>Apple Podcasts</u>, <u>Spotify</u>, <u>Amazon Music</u>, <u>Google Podcasts</u>, <u>iHeartRadio</u>, <u>Stitcher</u>, <u>TuneIn</u>, <u>Audacy</u> and the ABC News app.

## About "The View"

In season 24, the Daytime Emmy<sup>®</sup> Award-winning talk show welcomed Sara Haines back to her cohost seat having previously co-hosted in seasons 20-21. Throughout the season, the majority of the cohosts appeared remotely with Haines broadcasting from the show's NYC studio. Called "the most important political TV show in America" by the New York Times, "The View" (11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. EDT) is a priority destination for our guests and must-see viewing for our loyal fans with up-to-the-minute Hot Topics and invaluable conversations with live broadcasts five days a week. The Daytime Emmy® Award-winning talk show concluded Season 24 as the most-watched daytime talk show, ranking No. 1 in Households and Total Viewers among the daytime network and syndicated talk shows and news programs for the first time in the show's history. "The View" is executive produced by Brian Teta and has been directed by Sarah de la O for the past six seasons. For breaking news and updated videos, follow "The View" (@theview) and Whoopi Goldberg (@whoopigoldberg), Joy Behar (@joyvbehar), Sunny Hostin (@sunny), Sara Haines (@sarahaines) and Ana Navarro (@ananavarro) on Twitter.

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"The View" is now available on a podcast. Listen to the full show for free on Apple Podcasts or on your favorite podcast app every weekday afternoon.

"The View" can be streamed on ABC News Live weekdays at 5 p.m. EDT.

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