NEW SERIES & SEASONS

(P) Denotes: Premieres

IYANLA: FIX MY LIFE

Season Premiere Saturday, March 3 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT)

In dramatic new episodes, life coach Iyanla Vanzant helps those who are struggling, guiding them toward a new way of living and encouraging them to do the work necessary for real change. Through emotional heart-to-heart conversations and often a dose of tough-love, Iyanla helps individuals confront unresolved issues that are causing turmoil. She coaches guests and gives them the tools to fix their own lives, seeking to break the negative patterns that are preventing true happiness.

(P) Saturday, March 3 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Kidnapped At Birth

In her most explosive episode ever, Iyanla works with Kamiyah Mobley, a young girl who was kidnapped at birth and raised by a woman who was not her mother. Today, that woman is in jail, but the experience has left Kamiyah numb and angry. Iyanla comes face to face with this anger in the season’s fiery premiere episode.

(P) Saturday, March 10 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Addicted to Fame: Mickey “Memphitz” Wright

Iyanla works with former music producer Mickey “Memphitz” Wright, a man who had all the perks the music industry provided until false accusations of abuse surfaced. He lost his job, his family and eventually turned to drugs. Iyanla works with him to find the root cause of his pain—the brutal murder of his father.

(P) Saturday, March 10 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Crack Addict Mom, Abandoned by Dad, 7 Broken Boys (Part 1)

In the first episode of a three-part special event, Iyanla sits down with the Mitchell brothers, men who were abandoned as children by both of their parents and raised in chaos. They’ve lost two of their brothers—one to prison, the other to murder—and have reached out to Iyanla to try and prevent anyone else from falling. Their father also joins the conversation.

(P) Saturday, March 17 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Crack Addict Mom, Abandoned by Dad, 7 Broken Boys (Part 2)

In the second episode of this three-part special event, Iyanla continues to uncover more trauma the Mitchell brothers (abandoned by their parents) have faced throughout their lives. Iyanla tries to get them to understand how their shared experiences should help them rise up. Joining the conversation: their mother Leronda and sister Kizzy.
**Saturday, March 24 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Crack Addict Mom, Abandoned by Dad, 7 Broken Boys (Part 3)**

In the final episode of this three-part special event, Iyanla brings the Mitchell brothers, their sister Kizzy and their mother and father together for some long overdue cleansing conversations.

**Saturday, March 31 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Broken Reality: Trina Braxton**

Trina Braxton (younger sister of Grammy-winning artist Toni Braxton) and her husband Gabe are divorced, yet their lives are still entwined. Trina claims she wants help navigating her ex-husband’s relationship with her son, Gabe’s stepson, but as they begin their work, some very disturbing family pathologies begin to emerge.

**THE BOOK OF JOHN GRAY**

**Season Premiere Tuesday, March 13 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)**

Pastor John Gray is back, preaching at one of the largest churches in America by night, while ministering one-on-one to those in great need of his inspiring words by day. Whether he and his devoted wife Aventer are starting a foundation to help those Houstonians affected by the devastating aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, or assisting members of the community as they struggle to overcome grief, personal trauma, infidelity, illness, loss of faith or other all too common personal challenges, John shares God’s teachings like no one else—with a gentle grace and an outgoing sense of humor. No matter where life takes John geographically, some things remain absolute: his love for his family, his heart for the people, and his extraordinary ability to lead them out of the darkness and into the light while somehow making them laugh along the way.

**Tuesday, March 13 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Into The Storm**

*Repeats Saturday, March 17 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)*

In the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, John and Aventer create a non-profit to help the victims, including a Lakewood pastor who lost everything in the flood. Singer Michelle Williams also joins in to help with the efforts. Meanwhile, John helps reality TV star Tami Roman come to terms with the public image she has created.

**Saturday, March 24 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Chapter On Facing Your Fears**

John meets a woman grieving the sudden loss of her twin sister and counsels a rebellious teen he’s worked with before who has reverted to her disrespectful ways. Meanwhile, Aventer choreographs a dance piece for an upcoming Hurricane Harvey relief benefit.

**Saturday, March 31 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Chapter On A Mother’s Love**

When John’s out of control diabetes lands him in the emergency room, Aventer offers tough love via celebrity trainer AJ Johnson. Later, John counsels two moms: one who is grief-stricken over the loss of her daughter, and another who is smothering her son, a college student, with her overbearing ways.

**CONTINUING SERIES**

(P) Denotes: Premieres
(F) Denotes: Finales
**THE PAYNES**

**Fridays (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT)**

In Tyler Perry’s new comedy series “The Paynes,” Cassi Davis and LaVan Davis reprise their roles as Ella and Curtis Payne from the hit series “House of Payne.” As Curtis and Ella are enjoying their retirement, a death in the family takes them on the road to Florida, where Curtis is roped into a real estate deal that will tumble their lives like clothes in a dryer – with plenty of laughs and life lessons along the way. “The Paynes” also stars Emmy-winner Jackée Harry, Stephanie Charles, Markice Moore, JD McCrary, Sanai Victoria and Anthony O. Dalton.

**(P) Friday, March 2 (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The World Wide Payne**

Curtis (LaVan Davis) needs to place an online order for parts to get the laundromat up and running, but he doesn’t know how to use the computer. The series also stars Emmy-winner Jackée Harry as JoAnn.

**(P) Friday, March 9 (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Lynn’s Punishment**

Ella (Cassi Davis) confronts Nyla (Stephanie Charles) after Lynn (Sanai Victoria) has suspicious nightmares. Later, Nyla confronts Kendrick (Matthew Law) about Lynn’s accusations. The series also stars Emmy-winner Jackée Harry as JoAnn.

**(P) Friday, March 16 (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Making Repairs**

After Ella (Cassi Davis) learns that Curtis (LaVan Davis) is trying to repair the laundromat himself, she makes plans to involve professionals. Later, Kendrick (Matthew Law) visits Nyla (Stephanie Charles) to apologize. Nyla finally comes clean with Ella and has a heart-to-heart with her kids. The series also stars Emmy-winner Jackée Harry as JoAnn.

**(P) Friday, March 23 (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Payneful Repairs**

Curtis (LaVan Davis) and Ella (Cassi Davis) learn some troubling news about Nyla (Stephanie Charles). The series also stars Emmy-winner Jackée Harry as JoAnn.

**(P) Friday, March 30 (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Payneful Dispute**

The family is in an uproar after Ryan (Markice Moore) tells JoAnn (Jackée Harry) about some money that one of Ella’s (Cassi Davis) contractors found in the laundromat.

**IF LOVING YOU IS WRONG**

**Wednesdays (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)**

Tyler Perry’s “If Loving You Is Wrong” delves into the lives of neighbors and friends-turned-frenemies: Alex (Amanda Clayton), Kelly (Edwina Findley Dickerson), Marcie (Heather Hemmens), Esperanza (Zulay Henao) and Natalie (April Parker-Jones). Season three continues to unfold as the neighborhood that once was the perfect picture of suburban life is still dealing with the repercussions of the scandalous affair that tore apart two marriages, and jeopardized every friendship the couples held close. The series also stars Joel Rush, Eltony Williams, Aiden Turner, Charles Malik Whitfield, Denzel Wells and Jay Hunter.

**(F) Wednesday, March 7 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Behind Enemy Lines**

In the harrowing season finale of “If Loving You Is Wrong,” the sins of the neighborhood come to a head in catastrophic events across the city.

**THE HAVES AND THE HAVE NOTS**

**Tuesdays (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT)**
Tyler Perry’s “The Haves and the Have Nots,” starring John Schneider and Tika Sumpter, portrays the ongoing drama between the wealthy Cryer and Harrington families and the poor Young family. The most explosive season yet continues with no one unscathed by scandal, destruction, life-threatening moments and even death. The series also stars Angela Robinson, Renée Lawless, Crystal Fox, Peter Parros, Aaron O’Connell, Tyler Lepley and Gavin Houston.

(P) Tuesday, March 6 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: An Eye For An Eye
David (Peter Parros) fights to save his son Jeffery (Gavin Houston). Charles (Nick Sagar) yearns to see Candace (Tika Sumpter).

(F) Tuesday, March 13 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Lover’s Passions
Candace (Tika Sumpter) works a new plan to recoup her money from the Cryers. Veronica’s (Angela Robinson) preoccupation with revenge consumes her.

HOME MADE SIMPLE WITH LAILA ALI
Saturdays (9 a.m. – 10 a.m. ET/PT)
Emmy award-winning “Home Made Simple with Laila Ali” creates homes that deserving families love to live in. The show pairs inspiring families, a team of professional designers, carpenters and special guest artists, who work together with the families to create simple solutions to everyday home challenges and design dilemmas. Host Laila Ali works alongside families as they transform their living, work and play spaces, revealing the compelling and inspiring stories of the families behind the makeovers. Laila, who describes herself as a “home cook,” will also teach the families delicious, easy recipes from her upcoming cookbook.

(P) Saturday, March 10 (9 a.m. - 10 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Beloved Grandmother Gets the Kitchen She Deserves
Host Laila Ali meets a grandmother who has spent her life working hard to raise her growing family. The “Home Made Simple” team transforms her hand-me-down kitchen into a beautiful, organized heart of the house. Laila makes a veggie chili recipe.

(P) Saturday, March 17 (9 a.m. - 10 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Gorgeous Living Room for a Growing Family Far from Home
Host Laila Ali meets a loving couple who grew up together in Alabama then relocated to California on their own to start a family. The “Home Made Simple” team adds new life to a living room where everything is a shade of brown. Laila makes parmesan shrimp.

(P) Saturday, March 24 (9 a.m. - 10 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: Makeover Madness for a Sports Loving Family
Host Laila Ali meets a sporty young woman who, together with her family, has fought to overcome a life-threatening eating disorder. The “Home Made Simple” team transforms her childhood room into a sophisticated living space. Laila makes chicken wings.

SPECIALS

ESSENCE BLACK WOMEN IN HOLLYWOOD AWARDS
Premieres Saturday, March 3 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)
The annual Oscar-week awards celebration, the “Essence Black Women in Hollywood Awards,” has been at the forefront of honoring Hollywood’s most creative and accomplished African-American female visionaries, both in front of the camera and behind the scenes. This
year, the star-studded celebration will honor four Hollywood Game-Changers: actress/award-winning playwright Danai Gurira (“Black Panther”); comedian/award-winning actress Tiffany Haddish (“Girls Trip”), actress/activist Tessa Thompson (“Westworld”) and Emmy award-winning writer/actress Lena Waithe (“Master of None”).

OPRAH AT THE APOLLO: STEPHEN COLBERT, LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA, YARA SHAHIDI, PHOEBE ROBINSON, JESSICA WILLIAMS
Premieres Tuesday, March 6 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)
Oprah Winfrey hosts one-on-one interviews about how we can live a life filled with values, character, purpose and meaning during the turbulent times we live in. Guests include Stephen Colbert, host of “The Late Show” and New York Times bestselling author; Lin-Manuel Miranda, writer and star of the Broadway blockbuster “Hamilton” for which he was awarded the Pulitzer Prize; and Yara Shahidi of “Black-ish” and star of spin-off “Grown-ish,” and outspoken advocate for educating girls and encouraging millennials to vote.

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