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NEW SERIES & SEASONS

(P) Denotes: Premieres

THE HAVES AND THE HAVE NOTS

Season Premiere Tuesday, May 1 (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, May 1 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Veronica's House

Veronica (Angela Robinson) lets it be known that she is the only queen in the kingdom, and Candace (Tika Sumpter) reverts to her old ways.

(P) Tuesday, May 8 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: In His Eyes

Candace (Tika Sumpter) enacts her new money scheme like a boss.

(P) Tuesday, May 15 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Right Cocktail

Wyatt (Aaron O'Connell) once again finds himself in a life-threatening situation.

(P) Tuesday, May 22 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Rabbit And the Water Moccasin

Wyatt (Aaron O'Connell) learns just how much trouble drugs can get you into.

(P) Tuesday, May 29 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Third Quarter

Benny (Tyler Lepley) wants to return the money back to the Malone's but discovers it's not that simple.

WELCOME TO SWEETIE PIE'S

Final Season Premiere Tuesday, May 1 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

***The series will regularly air on Saturdays at 9 p.m. ET/PT beginning May 5**

When Robbie Montgomery's lung collapsed, the 1960's backup singer and former Ikette had to hustle to keep her family afloat, so she whipped out her mother's recipes and turned her second love of cooking into a soul food empire. In the final season, Miss Robbie inches closer to her lifelong dream, while her son Tim Norman finds himself at a crossroad after Hurricane Harvey forces him to close his latest restaurant venture, and he considers exiting the family business...for good. As we say farewell to OWN's favorite family, Miss Robbie is forced to

consider what kind of legacy she will leave behind, and who will be chosen to take over the Montgomery soul food empire.

(P) Tuesday, May 1 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: You Got Me Runnin'

It's Hamburger Heaven's grand opening, but Miss Robbie put Michelle in charge, and she stubbornly refuses help amid the chaos. In Houston, after closing the doors on Sweet Times due to Hurricane Harvey, Tim rethinks his position in the family business.

(P) Saturday, May 12 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Keep You Guessing

Miss Robbie is excited to shoot the music video for her new single, but chaos on set threatens to derail the production. Tim takes a meeting with Mathew Knowles to reset his music career, and Monique confronts Tim about her future at Sweetie Pie's.

(P) Saturday, May 19 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Ain't Nobody's Business

Tim loves being back in the studio, but is pulled away when Charles goes missing on Sweetie Pie's Houston's opening day. In St. Louis, Miss Robbie makes enemies when she decides to have Michelle and Linda change jobs, and Jenae welcomes baby AJ.

(P) Saturday, May 26 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Lean On Me

Tim faces ex-girlfriend drama and the tabloids. Meanwhile, Charles gets a surprise invitation to hit the road, and in parallel universes, Miss Robbie and Tim hit the recording studio, leaving hope for a reunion.

QUEEN SUGAR

Two-Night Season Premiere Tuesday, May 29 at 10 p.m. ET/PT and Wednesday, May 30 at 10 p.m. ET/PT

****The series will regularly air on Wednesdays at 10 p.m. ET/PT***

In the series' third season, the contemporary drama from Academy Award-nominated director Ava DuVernay returns as the Bordelons find themselves continuing their fight to save their family farm and father's legacy as they navigate their own personal journeys. They soon find that their fight extends beyond their close-knit family, but also to the community. Charley (Dawn-Lyen Gardner) remains in the thick of the trials and tribulations in both her personal and professional life as she continues to battle the Landry family while also trying to ensure Micah's (Nicholas Ashe) safety and future. Ralph Angel (Kofi Siriboe) is still reeling from learning from Darla (Bianca Lawson) that he might not be the biological father of his son, Blue (Ethan Hutchison), and attempts to push forward as the new cane season begins. A new and unexpected love in the form of an old friend comes into Nova's (Rutina Wesley) life and challenges her long-held notions of relationships while also offering her something she didn't think she could ever have.

(P) Tuesday, May 29 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 301

Ralph Angel (Kofi Siriboe) finally learns the truth about his biological connection to Blue (Ethan Hutchison), Charley (Dawn-Lyen Gardner) exposes her hidden plan for Landry Enterprises, and Nova (Rutina Wesley) is propositioned by book publishers.

(P) Wednesday, May 30 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 302

Violet (Tina Lifford) receives a business proposition that she cannot refuse, Nova (Rutina Wesley) faces a difficult career decision, and Micah (Nicholas Ashe) asks his parents to transfer schools. Plus, Charley (Dawn-Lyen Gardner) learns shocking information about Sam

Landry (David Jensen).

BLACK LOVE

Season Premiere Saturday, May 12 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

“Black Love,” from filmmakers Codie Elaine Oliver and Tommy Oliver (“The Perfect Guy”) and Confluent Films, seeks to answer the burning question, “What does it take to make a marriage work?” “Black Love” dives into how love begins while showing the reality of what life-long love looks like and offers proof that while it can happen for everyone, it isn’t a cakewalk. The docu-series shares honest, emotional and sometimes cringe-worthy always-true love stories. This second season will feature Emmy award-winning actor Sterling K. Brown and wife Ryan Michelle Bathe, Emmy Award-winning actress Niecy Nash and husband Jay Tucker, Tina Knowles-Lawson and husband Richard Lawson, NBA All-Star Grant Hill and Grammy-nominated recording artist Tamia, RUN DMC’s Rev Run and wife Justine Simmons, Grammy Award-winning gospel recording artist Kirk Franklin and wife Tammy, comedian D.L. Hughley and wife LaDonna, former NFL running back Eddie George and wife Taj of R&B group SWV, hip-hop artist Styles P and wife Adjua, actors Alano Miller and Dewanda Wise, NFL linebacker Bart Scott and wife Starr, and more. The couples talk about how their relationships began, the road to the altar, life after children and all of the other obstacles they may have faced to make their marriages stronger than ever.

(P) Saturday, May 12 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: How Love Begins

Couples including Emmy award-winning actor Sterling K. Brown and wife Ryan Michelle Bathe, Grammy Award-winning gospel recording artist Kirk Franklin and wife Tammy, and actors Alano Miller and Dewanda Wise recount the twists and turns that started their relationships, proving that meeting your soulmate is rarely a fairytale. Discover the unique challenges and triumphs couples experienced as their true love developed into successful, long-lasting marriage.

(P) Saturday, May 19 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Getting Down The Aisle

How do you know for sure that your significant other is “the one”? Couples including NBA All-Star Grant Hill and Grammy-nominated recording artist Tamia, RUN DMC’s Rev Run and wife Justine Simmons, and former NFL running back Eddie George and wife Taj of R&B group SWV discuss their personal journeys to committing to one another for life.

(P) Saturday, May 26 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Accountability

Infidelity can forever change a marriage. The aftermath is different for every couple. Black Love couples including comedian D.L. Hughley and wife LaDonna, NFL linebacker Bart Scott and wife Starr, and hip-hop artist Styles P and wife Adjua discuss the circumstances that led to cheating, and how their marriages endured, and ultimately prevailed.

CONTINUING SERIES

(P) Denotes: Premieres

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THE BOOK OF JOHN GRAY

Saturdays (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.

(F) Saturday, May 5 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Answering the Call

John counsels a struggling married couple who've lost their spark, and a worried mom asks for help when her son develops troubling anger issues. Meanwhile, a life-changing offer to take over another church leads to a difficult decision for John and Averter.

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.

(F) Friday, May 4 (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Making Her Honest

Nyla (Stephanie Charles) and Kendrick (Matthew Law) reveal some very interesting news to the Paynes.

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, May 5 (9 a.m. - 10 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Small Space Oasis for an Inspiring Mom

Host Laila Ali meets a single mother who overcame many difficult obstacles in her life to give her children the home she's always dreamed for them. The "Home Made Simple" team turns a small space into a soothing oasis. Laila makes egg muffins and smoothies.

(P) Saturday, May 12 (9 a.m. - 10 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: A New Office for Mom, Surprise Nursery for Miracle Baby

Host Laila Ali meets a mom and dad who are about to welcome their second baby. The "Home Made Simple" team gives the mom a modern new office, and surprises the family with a gorgeous nursery for the new arrival. Laila makes seared steak.

SPECIALS

MOTHERLY LOVE

Premieres Tuesday, May 8 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

In celebration of Mother's Day, OWN will celebrate the love and the bond that is shared between mothers and their children in a special from OWN's "Black Love" creators Codie Elaine Oliver and Tommy Oliver. The special will feature the families of NAACP Image Award-winner Tichina Arnold, "Queen Sugar's" Kofi Siriboe, NAACP Image Award-winner and author Hill Harper, Erica and Tina Campbell of the Grammy Award-winning and multi-platinum selling gospel duo Mary Mary and Uber's Chief Brand Officer and trailblazer Bozoma Saint John. The families open up and share candid, hilarious and heartwarming moments that have shaped their relationships.

QUEEN SUGAR: SEASON 3 ALL ACCESS

Premieres Tuesday, May 22 (10 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. ET/PT)

Go behind the scenes with the cast and crew for an in-depth look inside the new season of OWN's critically-acclaimed series "Queen Sugar" from Ava DuVernay.

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