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**NEW SERIES & SEASONS**

**(P) Denotes: Premieres**

**THE PAYNES**

**Season Premiere Friday, July 20 (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, July 20 (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Painful Bounce**

After much needed work, renovations on the Laundromat are finally complete. Curtis (LaVan Davis) and Ella (Cassi Davis) are excited until federal agents intervene. The series also stars Emmy-winner Jackée Harry as JoAnn.

**(P) Friday, July 27 (9 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Payne Family Secret**

The FBI threatens to take the Laundromat due to Uncle Robert's past indiscretions. When Curtis (LaVan Davis) and Ella (Cassi Davis) turn to JoAnn (Jackée Harry) for answers, they discover that she knows more than she has previously told them.

**CONTINUING SERIES**

**(P) Denotes: Premieres**

**(F) Denotes: Finales**

**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, July 3 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Smitten**

Charles (Nick Sagar) learns that Landon (Kristian Kordula) may have ulterior motives.

**(P) Tuesday, July 10 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Moles**

Benny's (Tyler Lepley) arrest forces Candace (Tika Sumpter) back to her old tricks to make some quick cash to leave town.

**(P) Tuesday, July 17 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Til Death Do Us Part**

Candace (Tika Sumpter) and Jim (John Schneider) are up to their old tricks while people are caught in the crossfire of Veronica's (Angela Robinson) wicked plots and intimidations.

## **LOVE IS \_\_\_\_**

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

Michele Weaver (“Illicit”) and Will Catlett (“Black Lightning”) star in OWN’s new romantic drama “Love Is \_\_\_\_,” from award-winning producers Mara Brock Akil (“Girlfriends,” “Being Mary Jane,” “The Game”) and Salim Akil (“Black Lightning”). Set primarily in 1990’s Los Angeles against the backdrop of Black Hollywood, “Love Is \_\_\_\_” follows Nuri (Michele Weaver) and Yasir (Will Catlett), a couple from seemingly opposite worlds, as they chase their dreams and learn to follow their hearts. Told from the perspective of the couple’s present-day selves, the romantic drama also revisits the social issues and vibrant black culture of that time reflecting on how it all aligned to shape the couple they have become nearly 20 years later -- a power couple navigating a complex set of social codes while also balancing successful careers and a beautiful family. Drawing inspiration from the Akil’s real life relationship journey, the series explores the highs, the lows, and the magic of falling (and staying) in love.“

***(P) Tuesday, July 3 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: (Her) Questions***

Nuri (Michele Weaver) and Yasir’s (Will Catlett) time together is interrupted and Yasir faces another setback. Later, Yasir is shocked to find Ruby (Yootha Wong-Loi-Sing) in pain following a surgery, which causes him to miss his date with Nuri. When Nuri investigates his whereabouts, she makes an unexpected discovery.

***(P) Tuesday, July 10 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: (His) Answers***

Yasir (Will Catlett) comes clean to Nuri (Michele Weaver) by confessing to her who he really is. Nuri reconsiders the potential of an old flame. Later, Yasir must confront the current reality of his career, finances and feelings for Nuri.

***(P) Tuesday, July 17 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Acceptance***

Nuri (Michele Weaver) leaves for a ski trip with Keith (Tosin Morohunfola), where he later makes a surprising confession. After she returns to Los Angeles, Nuri has a fight with Yasir (Will Catlett).

***(P) Tuesday, July 24 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Supportive***

Experiencing friction with Angela (Idara Victor), Nuri (Michele Weaver) confides in Yasir (Will Catlett) about her challenges at work.

## **QUEEN SUGAR**

**Wednesdays (10 p.m. – 11 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) Wednesday, July 11 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Study War No More***

Violet (Tina Lifford) celebrates her 60th birthday while Darla (Bianca Lawson) and Ralph Angel (Kofi Siriboe) discuss custody. Plus, Violet learns more about her new business arrangement, and the Bordelon family is devastated to discover the Landrys' true plan for the land.

**(P) Wednesday, July 18 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: *Come, Clad in Peace***

Violet's (Tina Lifford) business partnership might be in jeopardy, Micah (Nicholas Ashe) gets involved in a new protest, and Charley (Dawn-Lyen Gardner) threatens the Landry Enterprises board.

**(P) Wednesday, July 25 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: *The Tree and Stone Were One***

Charley (Dawn-Lyen Gardner) receives unexpected support in her fight against Sam Landry (David Jensen), Nova (Rutina Wesley) is made an offer she cannot refuse, and Violet (Tina Lifford) learns the fate of her pie business. Plus, Micah (Nicholas Ashe) and his friends execute their plan for the plantation, and Charley learns the truth.

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