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ORIGINAL HOLIDAY PROGRAMMING

OUR OWN CHRISTMAS

Premieres Tuesday, December 1 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT)

The “Our OWN Christmas” music special hosted by Meagan Good and DeVon Franklin features some of the best gospel, hip-hop and R&B artists across the country as they celebrate the holidays in their “OWN” unique ways. The one-hour long special will feature festive collaborations, uplifting holiday moments, surprise acts of giving, and a whole lot of inspiration to help spread the holiday cheer this season. Viewers will enjoy magical performances of Christmas classics ranging from “Oh Holy Night” to “Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas” to get them in the holiday spirit right at home. The special will feature performances from music’s most celebrated artists including Grammy-Award winners and iconic gospel singers Kierra Sheard, Erica Campbell, Tasha Cobbs-Leonard, Lalah Hathaway and Le’Andria Johnson and collaborations with singer-songwriter Ne-Yo, BJ The Chicago Kid, Grammy-award winning singer and record producer PJ Morton as well as legendary award-winning gospel group The Clark Sisters, Boyz II Men and A capella groups Shelby 5 and The Walls Group.

A CHRISTMAS FOR MARY

Premieres Tuesday, December 8 (9 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

In OWN’s new original Christmas movie “A Christmas for Mary,” Vivica A. Fox stars with Jackée Harry and Morgan Dixon (“Being Mary Jane”) in a holiday tale of rediscovery and renewal when up-and-coming journalist Lena Jones (Dixon) is tasked with delivering a story by Christmas that will wow her boss, magazine editor Vivian Vaye (Fox), who is dangling a promotion to head writer over Lena’s head. Intrigued by a portrait of a mysterious woman painted by her late grandfather, Lena journeys to the small town of Pineville, where with her mother, Deborah’s (Harry) blessing and support, Lena uncovers a long-ago forgotten tale of young love that not only uncovers cherished memories of the past, but also inspires Lena to follow her heart and find her own true love ... and her perfect Christmas story.

COOKING UP CHRISTMAS

Premieres Tuesday, December 15 (9 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

Meagan Holder (“Pitch”) stars in this family-centric holiday movie as Chloe, an Atlanta-based chef at a fine dining restaurant who gets fired just weeks before Christmas and reluctantly takes a job with pro baseball player Donovan Jackson (OWN’s “Greenleaf” star Lamman Rucker), who is a single dad of three needing a live-in-chef to get him through the holidays with the kids. Chloe only takes the job in order to save up enough capital to live out her dream of opening her own restaurant, but soon finds herself caught up in the ups and downs of the Jacksons encounter during her residency. Throughout the holiday season in the Jackson household the importance of family and Chloe’s good Southern cooking are two constants that remain. As Christmas comes to an end, Chloe discovers that her lifelong dream might finally come true... and that her heart has a mind of its own.

FIRST CHRISTMAS

Premieres Tuesday, December 22 (9 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

Given up for adoption and placed in foster care at a young age, writer Halle Downing (Idara Victor, "Alita: Battle Angel") receives the blessing of a lifetime in this holiday story when she is invited to spend Christmas in New Orleans with the biological family she never knew she had. Halle's grandmother "Memaw" (Tonea Stewart, "A Time to Kill") welcomes the young woman with open arms, completely overwhelming Halle with emotion at the significance of finally finding her family. Extremely excited to meet her twin siblings Tiffany (Samantha Smith, "Welcome Home, Roscoe Jenkins") and Glenn (Mason Beauchamp, "NCIS: New Orleans") along with younger brother Drew (Peyton Jackson, "Nobody's Fool") for the first time, Halle soon faces the hard reality that finding her place in this close-knit family is going to take longer than she thought, something that becomes particularly evident when she witnesses Tiffany's apprehension about introducing her new girlfriend Paris (Amanda Tavarez, "Queen Sugar") to the family for the first time.

CONTINUING SERIES

(P) Denotes: Premieres

(F) Denotes: Finales

(R) Denotes: Repeats

THE HAVES AND THE HAVE NOTS

Tuesdays (8 p.m. – 9 p.m. ET/PT)

"The Haves and the Have Nots" follows the complicated dynamic between the rich and powerful Cryer and Harrington families and the hired help, the Youngs, who work in their opulent mansions set in Savannah, Georgia. After years of behaving badly, the wealthy residents of Savannah, Georgia are involved in a true-to-life Greek tragedy. In season eight of Tyler Perry's long running hit drama, Judge Jim Cryer (John Schneider) and his rich friends are all finding out what happens when personal flaws go unchecked. Karma has not been kind to the elite one percenters. The series stars John Schneider, Tika Sumpter, Angela Robinson, Renee Lawless, Crystal Fox, Peter Parros, Tyler Lepley, Gavin Houston and Aaron O'Connell.

(P) Tuesday, December 1 (8 p.m. – 9 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Power of the Purse

Jim (John Schneider) schemes on getting revenge.

(P) Tuesday, December 8 (8 p.m. – 9 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Long Drive Home

Hanna (Crystal Fox) embraces her new role, and is fearless as she must confront hatred.

(P) Tuesday, December 15 (8 p.m. – 9 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Appointment

Veronica (Angela Robinson) seeks to form a deadly alliance.

(P) Tuesday, December 22 (8 p.m. – 9 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Little Bird

Katheryn (Renee Lawless) wields her powers to seek revenge, and to help the "Have Nots."

(P) Tuesday, December 29 (8 p.m. – 9 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: The Family's Name

David (Peter Parros) does the unthinkable to prove to help his long time friend.

READY TO LOVE

Fridays (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT)

Record-breaking Hollywood producer Will Packer's popular dating series hosted by Thomas "Nephew Tommy" Miles returns with an all-new cast from Houston, Texas to explore the real-life dating interactions of sexy, successful and grown Black men and women who are each looking for lasting love and an authentic relationship. But this season, there's a twist. The "Ready to Love" hopefuls have been cleared to quarantine together at a luxury mountain resort where opportunities for both the men and women to decide who stays and who goes abound as the tables turn weekly in the search for true love.

(P) Friday, December 4 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 207

Things heat up as new connections spark and old ones are called into question. The men must send one woman home and the reaction is one nobody saw coming.

(P) Friday, December 11 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 208

The power is even this week so one man and one woman must be eliminated. Overlapping love triangles make things complicated. Tommy throws a BBQ.

(P) Friday, December 18 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 209

Tommy pushes the men to be more vulnerable with the women and it changes the course of some relationships. It's down to the wire and one of the five remaining women must be let go.

PUT A RING ON IT

Fridays (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

Will Packer's newest unscripted relationship series "Put A Ring on It" follows three longtime couples, with help from master relationship coach Dr. Nicole LaBeach, who embark on the ultimate relationship test. From week to week the couples are pushed outside their comfort zones to confront the question they've been too afraid to ask: is this their happily ever after? The couples will finally find out if they are truly meant to be together by dating other people, and in so doing they'll discover if there's a love connection they've been missing all along. Will they decide it's time to go their separate ways, or is it finally time to put a ring on it?

(P) Friday, December 4 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 107

This week, the couples continue to explore potential romance with other people. Tamika finally makes a connection, Ashley's romance with Kwame heats up, and Whitney gives Mike an ultimatum that could destroy his relationship with Che.

(P) Friday, December 11 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 108

Dr. Nicole has a one-on-one session with Che to see if she'll finally accept Zion into her life. Hollywood explores a second date finally, while Ashley continues to explore her sizzling connection with Kwame. With newly dropped boundaries, will Che and Mike do something unforgivable?

(P) Friday, December 18 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 109

One week before their big decision, Dr. Nicole has the couples discuss their visions for the future. Tamika and Vince seek to reconcile after a fight, Che and Michael consider his son's living accommodations and her "timeline," and Ashley and Hollywood feud over her date.

IYANLA: FIX MY LIFE

Saturdays (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT)

The long running, award-winning hit series stars spiritual life coach Iyanla Vanzant helping 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, December 5 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 707

A violent home invasion during a child's birthday party kills two people and destroys an entire family. Fourteen years after the incident, two sisters attempt to repair the emotional wounds from this day that they have never fully processed.

(P) Saturday, December 12 (9 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 706

A multi-generational family is in breakdown after the matriarch dies, and at the center of the chaos is Yolanda, whose actions have terrorized everyone. While she claims to seek change, Yolanda's resistance to the process threatens any family healing.

(F) Saturday, December 19 (9 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode 708

Marc found his life turned upside down when his daughter posted a video of him ranting about being the sole provider in his household. In just a few days, this video went viral and opened a Pandora's box of resentment, animosity, and jealousy between him, his wife and his eight children. The entire family is in turmoil and Marc is terrified that this damage cannot be undone.

BEHIND EVERY MAN

Saturdays (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT)

Each episode follows the unique life-story of a strong Black woman who has supported and strengthened the success and fame of the man in her life. From encouraging girlfriends, to loving wives, and driven mothers, these women were not only determined to see the men in their lives shine, but also found a way to carve a path to their own success in the process. The series is hosted by Melody Holt ("Love & Marriage: Huntsville") with featured couples including Tammy and Kirk Franklin; singer-songwriter Ne-Yo and his wife Crystal Smith; Usher and his mother Jonnetta Patton; plus musician Wyclef Jean and his wife Claudinette Jean, and radio host DJ Envy and his wife Gia Casey.

(P) Saturday, December 5 (10 p.m. – 11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Gia Casey

Raashaun Casey, aka DJ Envy, is a world-class radio host, DJ, and producer who's syndicated in over 100 markets. This is the story of his other half, Gia Casey, who has persevered through incredible adversities during their nearly 20 years together.

GIVE

Saturdays (10 a.m. – 11 a.m. ET/PT)

"Give" introduces viewers to the world of philanthropy. Each episode features a celebrity ambassador visiting charities that use innovation, best practices and dedication for change in their communities. Give will also address new factors effecting the planet due to the pandemic and the effects that linger throughout the world.

(R) Saturday, December 5 (10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: Give to Lifting Families and Kids Out of Homelessness and Poverty in Orange County, California

Actress and singer Kat Graham visits organizations that support low-income and homeless kids with services designed to interrupt cycles of poverty, the Wooden Floor Foundation and the Illumination Foundation. Kat divides a generous gift from the PIMCO.

(R) Saturday, December 5 (10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: Give to Veterans Finding the Way Home

Actor Wilmer Valderrama visits two organizations that help veterans recover and adjust to civilian life, Pets for Vets and Team Rubicon. Wilmer wants to support them and divides a gift from the Steven and Alexandra Cohen Foundation between them.

(R) Saturday, December 12 (10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: Give to Innovative Education for Underserved Kids in NYC

TV host and journalist Jenna Bush Hager visits A Fair Shake for Youth and STEM Kids NYC. Impressed by the quality of the instruction, Jenna must use her grant from unite:4good to make sure both organizations get what they need to grow.

(R) Saturday, December 12 (10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: Give to Building Strong Women and Girls

Author and chef Sunny Anderson visits Brotherhood Sister Sol and the Center for Family Life in Sunset Park, nonprofit organizations helping women and girls realize brighter futures. She then distributes a gift from the New York Women's Foundation.

(R) Saturday, December 19 (10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: Give to Using the Arts to Change the Trajectories of Young People's Lives

Actor Aldis Hodge visits LA-based nonprofits ArtworxLA and PS Arts, that use the arts to help young people change the direction of their lives. In the end, he'll help divide a grant from the Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Foundation between them.

(R) Saturday, December 19 (10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: Give to Helping Young People Break Into the Tech World

TV host and journalist Jenna Bush visits two organizations dedicated to preparing young kids of color to enter the high-tech industry, Hidden Genius and Code 2040. Jenna provides each organization with a surprise donation from The Ford Fund.

(R) Saturday, December 26 (10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: Give Hope to Kids in Need

Actor and executive producer Blair Underwood visits charities that are helping children in need, the City Parks Foundation and the Sunrise Association. Blair decides how to support both with a donation from The Lori & David Moore Family Foundation.

(R) Saturday, December 26 (10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: Give to Pet Owners and their Furry Friends in South Los Angeles

Actress and blogger Jamie Chung goes to South LA to visit the Amanda Foundation and Downtown Dog Rescue, two organizations dedicated to the well being of our furry friends and their human families. She divides a generous gift from the ASPCA between them.

FOOD PROGRAMMING

(P) Denotes: Premieres

LOVELY BITES

Saturdays (12 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. ET/PT)

Chef Connie "Lovely" Jackson is a Chicago native who's known for festive foods that are both tasty and gorgeous, using edible flowers, gold leaf and other touches of elegance on her signature dishes. A fierce fan favorite from "Hell's Kitchen" and "Food Network Star," Chef Lovely's food is approachable, clean and beautiful – and her positive attitude is as inviting as her dishes. Her stand-and-stir show will focus on fun entertaining and celebrating festive occasions. Chef Lovely's bubbly energy is infectious and delicious food is her way to create long lasting memories.

(P) Saturday, December 5 (12 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Throw It on The Grill

Chef Lovely plans the ultimate cookout with her Signature Burger, Mama's Potato Salad, Eberhart Street Corn with a Creamy Avocado Drizzle, a Grilled Pound Cake with Cherries and Mascarpone, with a Cherry Tarragon Lime-aid to wash it all down.

(P) Saturday, December 12 (12 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Get Your Game On

It's game night, so Chef Lovely's making her famous Fried Chicken Sliders with a Creamy Scallion Slaw, Shrimp & Crab Cakes with a Spicy Citrus Remoulade and her "Love Cookies" inspired by her Auntie Faye.

(P) Saturday, December 19 (12 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Dinner Made with Love
Chef Lovely makes an for an elegant dinner for two close friends. She's making her Roasted Chicken with Pomegranate Glaze, Green Beans Over Lemon Ricotta, Sweet Potato & Gruyere Gratin and Upside-down Pear Tart. You can taste the love.

(P) Saturday, December 26 (12 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: A Little Birthday Love
Lovely's friends are coming to celebrate Lovely on her birthday, so she'll cook her favorite foods - an Oxtail bourguignon, Pancetta Brussels Sprouts, and Strawberry Champagne Cupcakes, with a Birthday Martini.

TREGAYE'S WAY

Saturdays (12:30 p.m. – 1 p.m. ET/PT)

Chef Tregaye Fraser is a fearless Atlanta chef who's not afraid to push the boundaries of traditional cuisine, and not afraid to push her kids' palates. The celebrated winner of "Food Network Star" is well-versed in cuisine from 24 different countries and is known for taking everyday foods from various regions and pairing them in unexpected ways that her family can enjoy. In this stand-and-stir series, her personal motivation is to help people create meals for their families and getting dinner on the table quickly and easily.

(P) Saturday, December 5 (12:30 p.m. – 1 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Birthday Bash

Supermom Tregaye throws the ultimate birthday party for Zaire, with a Slider and Brat Bar, a Quick Chili for the hot dogs, and a tasty Pimento Cheese. And then indulge in delicious Peanut Butter and Strawberry Shortcake Jars.

(P) Saturday, December 12 (12:30 p.m. – 1 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Taco Night, Any Night

Well it's not Tuesday but it's tacos. Tregaye wants to spend more time with her oldest son Tre, so to get a little quality time with Treshawn, Tregaye makes Fish tacos, and Soy Pineapple Flank Steak Tacos, Roast Corn, and a Mango Slaw.

(P) Saturday, December 19 (12:30 p.m. – 1 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Soul Food Sunday

Tregaye prepares a Sunday feast for her family love, laughs, stories and great food! She's making her Grandma's Mac and Cheese, Smothered Pork Chops, and Collard Greens.

(P) Saturday, December 26 (12:30 p.m. – 1 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Puppy Play Date

Tregaye and her best friend Barak get their new pups together for their very first play date. While the puppies play, she and Barack will lunch featuring Blackened Chicken Salad, a Corn and Cheddar Chowder, and sweet Oatmeal Chocolate Chunk Cookies.

FOOD FANTASIES

Saturdays (1 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET/PT)

Do you ever wonder what mouth-watering dishes our favorite culinary connoisseurs daydream about daily? "Food Fantasies" shows us exactly what chefs would make when each is presented the same hypothetical culinary fantasy such as: "What's the one dish you would make if calories didn't count?" And "what's the meal you would make for your nine-year-old self?" Join chefs Eddie Jackson, Nyeshia Arrington, Jernard Wells, Darnell Ferguson, Danni Rose and more as they create and indulge their fantasy dishes.

(P) Saturday, December 5 (1 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Magnificent Mash-Ups

Chefs are cooking up comfort food combos. Nyeshia Arrington makes Tasty Taco Lasagna; Darnell Ferguson does Meatloaf Cupcakes; Kiano Moju creates Fried Chicken Encrusted Eggs; and Jernard Wells creates Philly Cheesesteak Eggrolls.

(P) Saturday, December 12 (1 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Childhood Dream Dishes

Delight your inner child. Nyeshia Arrington makes Lemon Meringue Pie; Darnell Ferguson creates a Green Waffle Sandwich; Jocelyn Delk Adams does Cereal Crusted Stuffed French Toast; Kelli Ferrell makes French Onion & Mushroom Grilled Cheese Sandwich.

(P) Saturday, December 19 (1 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Happy Birthday to Me

Ultimate birthday delights. Chef G. Garvin makes Donut Bread Pudding; Nyeshia Arrington does Aisoon (Bulgogi) Shortribs & Sweet Potato Grits; Jocelyn Delk Adams makes S'mores Lava Cake; and Jernard Wells creates Cowboy Ribeye with Garlic Mashed Potatoes.

TANYA'S KITCHEN TABLE

Saturdays (1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. ET/PT)

Oakland-based chef Tanya Holland is a well-known restaurateur, cookbook author and soul food innovator. In this new stand-and-stir series, Chef Holland will showcase the beauty of “cooking local while thinking global” when audiences are invited to experience a one-of-a-kind course in cooking and some professional tips and tricks along the way.

(P) Saturday, December 5 (1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Tanya's Baddass Brunch

Tanya makes her famous brunch of Grits Cakes Benedict, and Sweet Potato Scones with Brown Sugar Icing. Alongside Tanya for brunch is one of her favorite chefs and dear friend, Queen of Bacon, Duskie Estes.

(P) Saturday, December 12 (1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: On the Road

Tanya thrives on bringing cultures together through food, she does her own spin on Roasted Beet Soup, Soulful Cornmeal Crepes with Nutella, a Shrimp Creole and toasts with an Aperol Spritz.

(P) Saturday, December 19 (1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Entertaining With Small Bites

The holidays are here. Tanya's party menu: Cornmeal Coated Fried Okra, Sweet Potato Blinis with Cured Salmon, Crème Fraiche and Caviar, a southern and French masterpiece, Andouille Gougeres and a Bee's Knees cocktail to toast the holidays.

(P) Saturday, December 26 (1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Family Meal

We catch up with Tanya and her staff during Family Meal at her restaurant, Brown Sugar Kitchen as she serves up Garlic Mustard Roasted Pork, Savory Bread Pudding with Corn, Cheddar and Thyme and Lemon Bars.

OWN SPOTLIGHT

OWN SPOTLIGHT: BLACK WOMEN OWN THE CONVERSATION - 2020 IN REVIEW

Premieres Tuesday, December 29 (9 p.m. – 10 p.m. ET/PT)

This special is a part of OWN's popular eye-opening, topic-driven series “OWN Spotlight: Black Women OWN the Conversation” that features intimate conversations about important issues with honest opinions and surprising solutions that put people first. The 2020 Special will be a retrospective on a turbulent year and its profound effects on the Black community, including the COVID-19 pandemic, economic challenges, the social justice movement, and an historic election.

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