OWN: OPRAH WINFREY NETWORK
MAY 2011 HIGHLIGHTS


NEW SERIES
(P) Denotes: Premieres

“Why Not? with Shania Twain”
Series Premiere - Sunday, May 8 at 11 p.m. ET/PT (60 minutes)

“Why Not? with Shania Twain” intimately documents the amazing journey of the music superstar who, by the age of 21, had survived a childhood of poverty and the loss of both her parents in a devastating accident. She went on to become the best-selling female artist in country music history. Then at the height of superstardom, Twain was blindsided by a double-betrayal shattering her 14-year marriage. Now she opens up about her life-altering heartbreak and how she’s moving on. Viewers will follow Twain as she begins her climb back to the top through a personal journey filled with risk, revelations and unexpected adventures.

(P) Sunday, May 8 (11 p.m.–12 a.m. ET/PT) Episode: From This Moment On
Shania travels through her past to move forward with her future, as she embarks on a journey across North America. She returns to her childhood home in Timmins, Canada where she and her sister Carrie Ann revisit the painful memories of their adolescence – poverty, family violence, and the untimely death of their parents. They then meet with a young family who are experiencing the untimely loss of both parents. Shania also begins rehearsing the first song she has written on her own in more than a decade as she searches to find her voice.

(P) Regular Time: Sunday, May 15 (10–11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Up!
Shania continues the journey through her past as she revisits the resort in Northern Ontario, Canada, where she was first discovered performing. Then she returns to her former lake cabin in Timmins, and is reminded of the simplicity of her life prior to her career skyrocketing and subsequent struggle with fame. Shania then meets with a woman who experienced a similar betrayal in her marriage, and shares her own brand of therapy as the two go skydiving as an exercise in moving forward in life.
**Sunday, May 22 (10–11 p.m. ET/PT)** Episode: *What Happens In Vegas*
Shania’s journey to regain her voice and the confidence to perform takes her to Las Vegas, where she’s been offered one of the most prestigious jobs in the music industry – the headline resident singing gig at Caesars Palace. Conscious that she is nowhere near ready to perform, she seeks out her old friend and music legend Gladys Knight for artistic counsel. No stranger to adversity, Gladys shares her wisdom on overcoming stage fright and re-entering the limelight. Shania also meets Anita, a woman who once had an affair with her best friend’s husband. Now a marriage and family counselor, Anita shares her perspective on being the “traitor.”

**Sunday, May 29 (10–11 p.m. ET/PT)** Episode: *Fear is Just a Four-Letter Word*
Shania pushes through her emotional fears by tackling her physical fears on a challenging rock climb and seeks alternative methods to regaining her voice at Golden Willow Retreat in Taos, New Mexico.

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**CONTINUING SERIES (New Episodes)**

“The Gayle King Show”
Monday through Friday at 10:00 a.m. ET/PT (60 minutes)

Start your day off right with *O, The Oprah Magazine* Editor-at-Large Gayle King as her hit radio show "The Gayle King Show" comes to television, live Monday through Friday on OWN. Each and every morning, Gayle's unique perspective, enthusiasm, insight, and respect to anything and everything with her own unfiltered opinions on newsmakers, celebrities, hot topics and pop culture, all while bringing viewers closer to their favorite celebrities and notable public figures with her revealing and compelling interviews.

**Upcoming Guests:**
5/2 – Paula Patton (actress “Jumping the Broom”)
5/3 – Tamar Braxton (“Braxton Family Values”)
5/4 – Sheryl Crow (musician and author of *If It Makes You Healthy* cook book);
5/5 – Rob Lowe (actor and author of *Stories I Only Tell My Mother*); Betty White (actress and author of *If You Ask Me (And Of Course You Won’t!)*
5/6 – Christy Turlington (model, activist and producer of OWN documentary “No Woman, No Cry”)
5/9 – Tracy Pollan (“The Natalie Holloway Story”)
5/10 – David Goldman (author of *A Father’s Love: One Man’s Unrelenting Battle to Bring His Son Home*)
5/13 – Nick Cannon (stand-up comedy special “Nick Cannon: Mr. Showbiz”)
5/16 – Chaz Bono (OWN documentary “Becoming Chaz”)
5/21 – Time magazine Managing Editor Rick Stengel (“Time” 100)
“Season 25: Oprah Behind The Scenes”
Sundays (8-9 p.m. ET/PT)

For the first and last time, "The Oprah Winfrey Show" opens its doors to invite viewers behind the scenes for the making of the farewell season. See what happens off-camera as the staff, guests and Oprah herself reveal a side the public has never seen of one of television's most popular and enduring series. Get an inside look at the passion, the pressure and the people that dedicate their lives to producing one of the most beloved shows in television history.

(P) Sunday, May 1 (8-9 p.m. ET/PT)
Emotions run high as Oprah welcomes one of her idols, Diana Ross, and her family to the studio, and clears the air with former protege Iyanla Vanzant.

(P) Sunday, May 8 (8-9 p.m. ET/PT) Special Edition
Oprah and her team reveal all-new, never-before-seen moments from behind the scenes of their farewell season and share their candid thoughts about being filmed on the job.

(P) Sunday, May 15 (8-9 p.m. ET/PT)
Oprah welcomes the ladies of "The View" and no topic is off-limits, but for guest Roseanne Barr, some questions just might be best not asked.

(P) Sunday, May 22 (8-9 p.m. ET/PT)
Oprah falls ill putting plans for her last ever after-Oscar show in jeopardy.

(P) Sunday, May 29 (8-9 p.m. ET/PT)
Oprah and the team welcome Donald Trump and the entire Trump family, and the producers try to top themselves with the ultimate "Talented Kids" extravaganza.

“The Judds”
Sundays (10-11 p.m. ET/PT)

“The Judds” is a unique docu-series that captures the complex and sometimes comical relationship between Naomi and Wynonna Judd -- one of the most successful mother-daughter country music duos in the history of entertainment. Set against the rich backdrop of their much-anticipated 18-city reunion tour, “The Judds” follows Naomi and Wynonna's emotional journey as they work to heal old wounds, reconnect with their fans and share the spotlight once again.

(P) Sunday, May 1 (10–11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Demons In The City of Angels
Naomi and Wynonna’s Last Encore tour brings them to the very place where the seeds of conflict in the Judd women’s lives were planted – Los Angeles, California. A tour of the places they used to live in L.A. brings back a flood of painful memories, and the experience is nearly too much for them to handle.

(P) Sunday, May 8 (10–11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Wynonna’s Surprise (Season Finale)
The Judds give their final performance of the tour, which includes a special surprise Wynonna has prepared for Naomi. They return home and reflect on how far they’ve come in their relationship, and what they can still do to strengthen their bond.
“Addicted to Food”  
**Tuesdays (10-11 p.m. ET/PT)**

In this riveting new docu-series, eight people battle their addiction to the one thing they literally can’t live without: food. At Shades of Hope, a rural Texas treatment center, these eight desperate clients struggle through an intense 42-day treatment plan led by maverick therapist Tennie McCarty. Using unorthodox methods and a tough-love approach, Tennie asks her clients to confront the most painful issues in their lives that have led them to become hooked on food as an escape. Full of drama, emotion, and triumph, “Addicted to Food” shows us that recovery is possible even for people who fear their lives are hopeless.

**(P) Tuesday, May 3 (10–11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Relapse**  
A mystery throws the clients into turmoil as the staff tries to determine who has relapsed and begun purging in the treatment center.

**(P) Tuesday, May 17 (10–11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Guess Who’s Coming to Family Week**  
With only a few days left until Family Week, Tennie shocks the clients into action by telling them which relatives are coming, and leading them through exercises directed at emotionally preparing the clients to confront their loved ones about their eating disorders.

**(P) Tuesday, May 24 (10–11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: Family Week**  
During Family Week, Dejuaii finds courage to come out of the closet to her mom. And while Elizabeth addresses her father about her painful childhood, Amy is confronted by her family and the clients about her unwillingness to stop playing the victim card.

**(P) Tuesday, May 31 (10–11 p.m. ET/PT) Episode: You’re Not Ready to Go Home**  
With their 42-day treatment coming to an end, Tennie gives continuing treatment recommendations to the clients. While some are accepting of her counsel, others rebel and break down, but each must decide what they’re willing to do for their recovery.

**OWN DOCUMENTARY CLUB**

“Becoming Chaz”  
**Premieres - Tuesday, May 10 (9–10:30 p.m. ET/PT)**

Growing up in the spotlight as the only child of Sonny & Cher wasn't easy for someone who was uncomfortable in her own body. Chaz Bono shares his journey of self-discovery during the transition from a woman to a man.

“The Doc Club with Rosie O’Donnell”  
**Premieres - Tuesday, May 10 (10:30–11:30 p.m. ET/PT)**

A forum for further thought and discussion about the documentary “Becoming Chaz,” this one-hour special with Chaz Bono and his family will discuss with OWN Documentary Club collaborator Rosie O’Donnell the extreme lengths people will go to in order to become their authentic, best self.
“Extraordinary Moms”
Premieres - Saturday, May 7 (8–9:30 p.m. ET/PT)

Julia Roberts hosts this special about extraordinary moms. Some are famous: Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, Christiane Amanpour and Rosie O'Donnell. Some are not. All of them are inspiring.

“No Woman, No Cry”
Premieres - Saturday, May 7 (9:30–11 p.m. ET/PT)

In her directorial debut, Christy Turlington documents the personal stories of pregnant women in four countries and the caregivers who try to get them the help they need for themselves and their unborn children.

“Prince William & Catherine: A Royal Love Story”
Part Two Premieres - Thursday, May 12 (8-9:30 p.m. ET/PT)

Full of regal pomp and ceremony, the special documents the most eagerly anticipated Royal Wedding since Prince Charles and Princess Diana married nearly 30 years ago featuring footage from the special day.

“Truth of My Sex”
Premieres - Saturday, May 21 (8–10 p.m. ET/PT)

This compelling and sensitive documentary unlocks the stories of people born 'intersex' - neither entirely male nor female - and asks whether our traditional understanding of gender is correct.
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