



## HOWIE MANDEL GIFTS BEST FRIEND A MODERN HOME UPGRADE IN APRIL 25 EPISODE OF HGTV'S 'CELEBRITY IOU'

**New York [April 19, 2022]** In a new episode of the hit HGTV series [Celebrity IOU](#), multi Emmy® Award nominee [Howie Mandel](#), a comedian, television personality, actor, producer and host, will try his hand at home renovation to give Rich, his best friend and road manager of 30 years, a sleek and contemporary home upgrade. Premiering on Monday, April 25, at 9 p.m. ET/PT, and also available to stream on [discovery+](#), the episode will feature Howie as he teams up with real estate and renovation experts [Drew](#) and [Jonathan Scott](#) to transform Rich's outdated bachelor pad into a modern showplace.

"What began as a working professional relationship became a personal relationship—we're like brothers," said Howie. "Now, for the first time, I get to be a small part of making sure that everything is in order for him to be able to perform at the highest level."

During the episode, Howie, who says that Rich is more like family and has had a difficult year with the loss of his father, wishes to help update his friend's condo into a comfortable yet sophisticated place. Howie will get his hands dirty with Drew and Jonathan to demo the kitchen, rip out old carpet and paint a bold feature wall. The end result will be a reimagined kitchen, dining and living area, and main bedroom with a functional flow and stylish finishes.

"Life isn't always easy," Howie added. "This has been a hard time and nothing makes you feel better than to be a small part of doing something for somebody else."

*Celebrity IOU* spotlights Hollywood A-listers who wield sledgehammers and pick up power tools to help an extraordinary person in their lives get the renovation they need. The series features Drew and Jonathan and their celebrity friends as they inspire, entertain and bring fans to happy tears with deeply personal stories of gratitude. Working together with the Brothers, the celebs get their hands dirty to surprise their deserving friends and mentors with the stunning home overhauls. *Celebrity IOU* is produced by Scott Brothers Entertainment, with Drew and Jonathan as executive producers.

Fans are invited to visit HGTV's digital platforms for additional fresh content from the new season of *Celebrity IOU*. Fans can connect with the series at [HGTV.com/Celebrity-IOU](https://www.hgtv.com/Celebrity-IOU) and by following @HGTV and #CelebIOU on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [TikTok](#) and [Instagram](#) for extra show content and updates. Drew and Jonathan also will share more from the new episodes on their social channels at @mrdrewscott ([Instagram](#), [Twitter](#)) and @jonathanscott ([Instagram](#), [Twitter](#)). In addition, viewers can watch the episodes on HGTV GO the same day and time as the TV premieres—Mondays at 9 p.m.

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