Holey humor

Jermaine Fowler stars in “Superior Donuts”

Arthur (Judd Hirsch, “Taxi”) and Franco (Jermaine Fowler, “Friends of the People”) prepare to take on gentrification, corporations and trendy food trucks in the humorously delicious sophomore season of “Superior Donuts,” which premieres Monday, Oct. 30, on CBS. The series combines quick wit with social commentary in a fresh new way, and provides a glimpse into a bright, enlightened future for sitcoms. There’s no sweeter way to ease into the new work week than with laughter.
By Kat Mulligan
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Long before the trends of grandmas, macchiatos and pumpkin spice lattes, neighborhoods were graced with unique little treasures: independent doughnut shops. Variety wasn’t necessarily found in a coffee cup — typically your two choices were caff or decaf — but it did abound in the delicious rotating selections of doughnuts. Whether they glazed, iced, filled or something in between, the magic of these locally owned establishments is wonderfully captured in “Superior Donuts,” a comedy series based on a play by the same name, returning Monday, Oct. 30, on CBS.

Nestled in the busy streets of Chicago, 75-year-old Arthur Przybyszewski (Judd Hirsch, “Taxi”) struggles to keep his beloved doughnut shop afloat. The shop, open since 1969, means everything to Arthur, but his initial resistance to change and evolving to compete with larger franchises puts the business in jeopardy. Thankfully, Franco Wicks (Jermaine Fowler, “Friends of the People”) notices that Arthur’s looking for a new employee, and brings to the business a youthful energy that sees the shop’s popularity start to return. While Franco can, at times, seem a bit too optimistic and carefree, his passion to see Superior Donuts succeed reignites Arthur’s own entrepreneurial fire. Their growing relationship is at once humorous and endearing, blossoming into a delightful and evolving dynamic between Arthur and Franco, whose relationship parallels the experience actors Hirsch and Fowler bring to their respective roles. Hirsch is no stranger to television viewers, particularly those who were around in the late ’70s to mid-’80s to enjoy “Taxi.” Since then, Hirsch continues to be a beacon of comedy, though “Superior Donuts” marks his long-awaited return to the world of sitcoms. For Hirsch, the series is an excellent example of how comedy operates in the everyday, as “humor is based on the worst of things and the best of things,” as he told CBS Chicago.

In contrast to Hirsch’s lengthy and legendary career, Fowler is a relatively fresh face in the comedic world. With less than a decade of professional experience, the actor remains bold and relevant in his humor. As Fowler told the hosts of Good Day Sacramento, the series “[talks] about a lot of the topical things going on in the world right now,” which allows for an elevated kind of humor, challenging social norms while simultaneously knocking down worn-out stereotypes. This pairing of experience and youthful passion provides the series with the ideal means to inspire change and to challenge perspectives, all with a side order of laughs. Viewers may think twice before reaching for that blended frappuccino, inspired to take a chance on the sweet, little independent shop instead.

In preparation for the premiere of season 2, four of “Superior Donuts” most hilarious standup comedians hit the road for a five-city, seven-day comedy tour. Fowler, David Koechner (“Anchorman 2: The Legend Continues,” 2013), Maz Jobrani (“The Interpreter,” 2005) and Rell Battle (“Key and Peele”) are stopping in New York City, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., Chicago and Los Angeles to bring the laughs and hype for the new season of the series. Fittingly, the Chicago stop of the tour takes place the same evening of the premiere: Oct. 30. The comedic power within the core cast brings a heightened level of wit to the show, which no doubt echoes throughout the tour’s performances.

The dough will rise, cinnamon-sprinkled, deliciously glazed and just in time for a fresh batch of episodes in a new season of “Superior Donuts.” Check out your own local mom-and-pop doughnut shop and settle in with a baker’s dozen to catch the season 2 premiere of the comedy when it airs Monday, Oct. 30, on CBS.

Tasty yet topical: Deliciously real laughs in season 2 of ‘Superior Donuts’
Sports this week

**AUTO RACING**

Saturday
11:30 a.m. CSNE (32) NASCAR First Data 500 Monster Energy Cup Series Practice Live
12:30 p.m. NBCSN (46) F1 Mexican Grand Prix Practice
2:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) F1 Mexican Grand Prix Qualifying Live
3:45 p.m. NBCSN (48) First Data 500 Monster Energy Cup Series Final Practice Live
6:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) Lucas Oil MotorSport Hour

Sunday
Noon NBCSN (48) NASCAR First Data 500 Monster Energy Cup Series Qualifying Live
1:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) NASCAR America Live
3:30 p.m. NBCSN (48) Motorclub Live
5:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) NASCAR America Live
6:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) NASCAR Special Wednesday
2:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) Journey to the Hammers Live
5:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) NASCAR America Live

Monday
Noon NBCSN (48) NASCAR 120 Live
7:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) NASCAR America Live

Tuesday
3:30 p.m. NBCSN (48) Motorclub Live
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Thursday
3:30 p.m. NESN (51) Three Wide Live
5:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) NASCAR America Live
9:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) Motorclub Live
10:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) Drive on NBC Sports Live
10:30 p.m. NBCSN (48) Drive on NBC Sports Live
11:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) Journey to the Hammers Live

Friday
1:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) NASCARAA Texas 500 Monster Energy Cup Series Practice Live
2:00 p.m. NESN (51) Raceline Live
2:30 p.m. NBCSN (48) NASCAR America Live
3:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) NASCAR O'Reilly Auto Parts 300 Xfinity Series Practice Live

**BASEBALL**

Saturday
10:00 a.m. CSNE (32) What Is Your Pre-game? Live
7:30 p.m. WFXT (33) World Series Pre-game Live
8:00 p.m. WFXT (33) MLB World Series Live

Sunday
5:00 p.m. ESPN2 (38) Baseball Tonight Live
7:00 p.m. ESPN2 (38) Baseball Tonight Live
8:00 p.m. WFXT (33) MLB World Series Live

Monday
4:00 p.m. ESPN2 (38) Intentional Talk Live

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**BOAT RACING**

Saturday
5:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) Drag Boat Racing Lucas Oil Series Live

**BOXING**

Thursday
11:00 p.m. ESPN2 (50) Golden Boy Jesus Soto Karass vs. Juan Carlos Abreu Live

**CURLING**

Tuesday
7:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) Curling Night in America

**EQUESTRIAN**

Thursday
Noon NBCSN (48) Equestrian FEI World Cup Live

**EXTRME SPORTS**

Sunday
3:00 p.m. WCVT (51) World of X Games Live
3:30 p.m. WCVT (51) World of X Games Live
4:00 p.m. WCVT (51) World of X Games Live

**FOOTBALL**

Saturday
7:00 p.m. CSNE (52) Celtics Pre-game Live
8:00 p.m. CSNE (52) NBA Boston Celtics at Miami Heat Live
10:30 p.m. CSNE (52) Celtics Post-game Live
11:00 p.m. CSNE (52) Celtics Post-game Live

Monday
3:00 p.m. ESPN (50) NBA: The Jump Live
7:00 p.m. CSNE (52) Celtics Pre-game Live
7:30 p.m. CSNE (52) NBA San Antonio Spurs at Boston Celtics Live
10:00 p.m. CSNE (52) Celtics Post-game Live
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Tuesday
3:00 p.m. ESPN (38) NBA: The Jump Live
7:00 p.m. ESPN2 (38) NBA: The Jump Live
7:00 p.m. CSNE (52) NBA Cleveland Cavaliers at Washington Wizards Live
9:00 p.m. CSNE (52) Celtics Pre-game Live
11:00 p.m. CSNE (52) NBA Boston Celtics at Oklahoma City Thunder Live

Wednesday
4:00 p.m. ESPN (38) Intentional Talk Live

Thursday
3:00 p.m. ESPN (38) NBA: The Jump Live
7:00 p.m. ESPN (38) NBA: The Jump Live
8:00 p.m. WFXT (33) NFL Kickoff Live
9:30 a.m. ESPN (38) ESPN Pre-game Live
11:00 a.m. WFXT (33) Patriots Day Game Live

**GOLF**

Saturday
8:00 a.m. ESPN (52) Masters Sunday Live
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10:00 a.m. ESPN (52) Masters Sunday Live
11:00 a.m. WFXT (33) NFL Kickoff Live
11:00 a.m. ESPN (52) Celtics Pre-game Live
11:00 a.m. WFXT (33) Patriots Day Game Live

**HOCKEY**

Saturday
7:00 p.m. NESN (51) NHL Los Angeles Kings at Boston Bruins Live
7:00 p.m. NESN (51) NHL Vancouver Canucks at Detroit Red Wings Live

Sunday
7:00 p.m. NESN (51) NHL Boston Bruins at Columbus Blue Jackets Live

**SOCCER**

Saturday
7:25 a.m. NBCSN (48) EPL Southampton at Manchester United Live
9:30 a.m. NBCSN (48) Premier League Live
9:55 a.m. NBCSN (48) Soccer EPL Live
10:00 a.m. CNBC (46) EPL West Bromwich Albion at Manchester City Live
12:30 p.m. WFXT (30) Soccer EPL Live
9:25 a.m. NBCSN (48) EPL Southampton at Brighton & Hove Albion Live
11:30 a.m. NBCSN (48) Premier League Live

Tuesday
3:35 p.m. NBCSN (48) EPL Newcastle United at Burnley Live
6:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) Premier League Goal Zone Live
6:30 p.m. NBCSN (48) Men in Blazers Live

**Tennis**

Thursday
8:00 a.m. ESPN (38) Mullion Cup Match Play Championship Round 1 Live
3:30 p.m. GOLF (80) Golf Central Live
4:30 p.m. GOLF (80) PGA Shriners Hospitals for Children Open Round 2 Live
7:30 p.m. GOLF (80) Golf Central Live

Wednesday
7:00 p.m. NBCSN (48) NHL Live! Live
8:30 p.m. NBCSN (48) NHL Philadelphia Flyers at Chicago Blackhawks Live
10:30 p.m. NBCSN (48) NHL Nashville Predators at San Jose Sharks Live

Thursday
6:30 p.m. NESN (51) Ultimate Bruins Show Live
6:30 p.m. NESN (51) Bruins Face-Off Live
7:00 p.m. NESN (51) NHL Vegas Golden Knights at Boston Bruins Live
9:30 p.m. NESN (51) Bruins Overtime Live

Friday
6:30 p.m. NESN (51) New England Hockey Journal Live
7:00 p.m. NESN (51) NCAA Yale vs. Harvard Live

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7:25 a.m. NBCSN (48) EPL Tottenham Hotspur at Manchester United Live
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8:00 a.m. ESPN (38) Soccer MLS Live
7:00 p.m. NESN (51) EPL Huddersfield Town at Liverpool

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**SATURDAY MOVIES**

7:30 a.m. TBS (3): "Norbit" (2007, Comedy) "Norbit" must find the courage within himself to stand up to his overbearing girlfriend. (2h)

8:00 a.m. MTWV (28): "The Blind Side" (2009, Sport) An affluent family takes in a homeless teenager who becomes a star football player. (2h)

9:30 a.m. TBS (3): "Money Talks" (1997, Comedy) A news anchor must pretend that a cartoon man is an old friend to his fiancée and her parents. (2h)

10:00 a.m. SYFY (32): "30 Days of Night" (2007, Horror) A gang of vampires attack a small Alaskan town when it falls into 30 days of darkness. (2h30)

11:00 a.m. MTV (28): "Titanic" (1997, Drama) Two social opposites meet and fall in love while on Titanic's maiden voyage. (4h30)

11:10 a.m. FREE (26): "The Addams Family" (1991, Comedy) A greedy lawyer tries to plunder the family's fortune by planting an impostor in the home. (2h10)

11:55 a.m. COM (6): "The Campaign" (2012, Comedy) A hopeless local political domicile runs for congress against a disgraced incumbent. (2h05)

Noon TNT (3): "Bedtime Stories" (2008, Fantasy) A fairy tale handymen tells bedtime stories that start to magically come alive. (1h55)

12:30 p.m. SYFY (2): "The Faculty" (1998, Comedy) A group of students fight an alien parasite that is infecting the school population. (2h)

12:30 p.m. FREE (26): "The Addams Family" (1991, Comedy) A greedy lawyer tries to plunder the family's fortune by planting an impostor in the home. (2h10)

1:30 p.m. WHDH (7): "Internal Affairs" (1990, Thriller) An Internal Affairs investigator becomes obsessed with exposing a corrupt police officer. (2h30)

FX (3): "Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter" (2012) Action Abraham Lincoln tries to eliminate vampires taking over the USA. (2h30)

1:45 p.m. TNT (33): "Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb" (2014, Adventure) A museum security guard must save the magic that brings the exhibits to life. (2h)

2:00 p.m. "G.I. Jane" (1997, Drama) A tough navy intelligence officer fights to become the first female Navy SEAL. (2h30)

SYFY (5): "Insidious" (2010, Horror) A family tries to prevent their son from being dragged into another realm by evil spirits. (2h30)

COM (61): "Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby" (2006, Comedy) A NASCAR driver's talent and dutch are put to the test when a challenger comes along. (2h)

2:30 p.m. SYFY (32): "The Cave" (2009, Horror) Explorers become trapped in a cave and discover bloodthirsty creatures are...
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- **Hockey**: NHL games, including the Boston Bruins at the New York Rangers and the Montreal Canadiens at the Ottawa Senators.
- **Basketball**: NBA games, including the Boston Celtics at the Milwaukee Bucks and the Toronto Raptors at the Philadelphia 76ers.
- **Baseball**: MLB games, including the Los Angeles Dodgers at the San Francisco Giants and the New York Yankees at the Boston Red Sox.

### Movie Listings

- **Halloween Town 2: Kalabar's Revenge**: Family animated movie about a boy who accidentally wakes up a sleeping princess.
- **The Shining**: Classic horror film about a hotel caretaker and his wife who become haunted by a evil presence.
- **The Texas Chainsaw Massacre**: Horror film about a family who is stalked by a cannibalistic family.
- **Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter**: Biography of Abraham Lincoln, featuring a plot involving vampires.
- **ParaNorman**: Animated film about a young boy who discovers monsters in the town.

### Other Programs

- **Good Morning America**: Morning news and talk show on ABC.
- **The Rachel Maddow Show**: Political talk show on MSNBC.
- **The Lead With Jake Tapper**: News and analysis program on CNN.
- **CNN Tonight**: Evening news and analysis show on CNN.
- **Frontline**: Documentary series on PBS.
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**Sunday movies**

- **5:25 p.m. AMC (59) “Dawn of the Dead” (2004, Horror) Survivors of a zombie plague take refuge from flesh-hungry zombies in a shopping mall. (2h)**
- **6:00 p.m. MTV (28) “Scary Movie” (2000, Comedy) A year after an accidental murder, teenagers are stalked by a bumbling serial killer. (2h)**
- **FX (30) “Hotel Transylvania” (2012, Animation) Dennis becomes overprotective of his daughter when a young boy falls for her. (2h)**
- **SPIKE (51) “It” (1990, Horror) A group of adults reunite to battle a demonic creature from their childhood. (4h30)**
- **6:55 p.m. FREE (28) “Monsters, Inc.” (2001, Animated) In the world of Monstropolis, monsters make a living by collecting children’s screams. (2h05)**
- **7:15 p.m. TNT (30) “Star Wars: Episode V - The Empire Strikes Back” (1980, Sci-Fi) Luke seeks out a Jedi master while his friends are relentlessly pursued by Darth Vader. (2h47)**
- **8:00 p.m. MTV (28) “Zombieland” (2009, Comedy) In a zombiefilled world, two men struggle to survive as they journey westward to L.A. (2h)**
- **TBS (31) “Avengers: Age of Ultron” (2015, Action) Tony Stark develops an artificial intelligence that decides that humans must be destroyed. (3h)**
- **9:00 p.m. FREE (28) “Monsters University” (2013, Animated) Two Monsters remember their lives together in University before they become friends. (2h30)**
- **10:00 p.m. MTV (28) “The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift” (2006, Action) An American avoiding jail time gets drawn into the world of drift racing in Tokyo. (2h30)**
- **10:30 p.m. Spike (51) “The Shining” (1980, Horror) An off-season resort hotel caretaker takes an isolated job so he can write a novel. (2h30)**
- **11:00 p.m. TBS (31) “Avengers: Age of Ultron” (2015, Action) Tony Stark develops an artificial intelligence that decides that humans must be destroyed. (3h)**
- **SYFY (82) “Joy Ride” (2001, Action) Two brothers are in danger when the victim of a practical joke is a homicidal trucker. (2h)**
- **Midnight FREE (28) “Frankenweekeeney” (2012, Animated) To bring his dog back to life, a boy conducts a science experiment with monstrous results. (2h)**
- **12:30 a.m. MTV (28) “Seed of Chucky” (2004, Horror) Chucky’s son brings his parents back to life, and is shocked by their violent ways. (2h)**

**Ten days in the Valley**

- wcw (5) 10:00 p.m.
  - Kyra Sedgwick stars as Jane Sadler, an overworked single mother who faces every parent’s worst nightmare when her daughter, Lake (Abigail Pniowsky), mysteriously goes missing in “Ten Days in the Valley,” airing Sunay, Oct. 29, on ABC. Suddenly, everyone in Jane’s life is a suspect.

**Kyra Sedgwick in “Ten Days in the Valley”**

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Family funnies
Unconventional comedy ‘Life in Pieces’ returns for a third season

By Andrew Warren
TV Media

Family funnies: There are a lot of family comedies on television, but there isn’t another one quite like “Life in Pieces.” The CBS sitcom welcomes back the Short family for a third season on Thursday, Nov. 2, with a lot of love, laughs and charm as the series keeps its unconventional format.

You see, “Life in Pieces” isn’t just an empty title for the show; it also describes its format, which is far from typical. Unlike a more traditional sitcom, which typically has a main plot thread for each episode with maybe one or two side stories unfolding, “Life in Pieces” somehow manages to pack four short stories into each half-hour episode.

That’s one short story for each of the four branches of the Short family. At the head of the clan are Joan (Dianne Wiest, “Law & Order”) and John (James Brolin, “Catch Me If You Can,” 2002), a pair of loving parents and grandparents who would do anything for their family. Their youngest child is Greg (Colin Hanks, “Fargo”), who struggles with his wife Jen (Zoe Lister-Jones, “Band Aid,” 2017) to find a good work-life balance. Their eldest is Heather (Betsy Brandt, “Breaking Bad”), who lives with her husband, Tim (Dan Bakkedahl, “Veep”), and their three kids, while the middle child, Matt (“Thomas Sadoski, “The Newsroom”), has finally married his true love.

It’s not such an unconventional setup — three adult siblings raising their families while also dealing with their own parents — but it’s that short story format that really sets “Life in Pieces” apart. Telling four different stories in each episode, with each focusing on a different part of the Short family, gives the show a unique pace when compared to other sitcoms, making this a special show with its own brand of humor.

Catch up with the Short family — all four branches of it — when “Life in Pieces” returns for a third season on Thursday, Nov. 2, on CBS.

Restaurant revisions: The restaurant business can be brutal, and no one knows that better than Gordon Ramsay. The globally acclaimed chef and TV star of the hits “MasterChef” and “Hell’s Kitchen” is a titan in the culinary world, and his home on American television is expanding its relationship with him.

Fox has ordered “Gordon Ramsay’s 24 Hours to Hell & Back,” an unscripted eight-episode series that’s cut from a similar cloth as “Kitchen Nightmares,” Ramsay’s restaurant-rescue series that concluded in 2014.

In “Hell & Back,” Ramsay will be visiting struggling restaurants across the country and using his expertise to build a strong foundation for the businesses, giving owners the tools that they need to turn their crumbling Yelp reviews into glowing ones. But unlike in “Kitchen Nightmares,” where Ramsay had a whole week to assess a restaurant, identify its problems, come up with a plan for improvement and then implement his changes, in the new series, he’ll have to do all of that in just 24 hours.

That’s a tall order, even for one of the planet’s foremost restaurateurs.

Luckily, Ramsay’s bringing a secret weapon: a 70-foot-long truck that transforms into a state-of-the-art mobile kitchen. Called Hell on Wheels, the kitchen is the perfect place for the chef to revamp the restaurant’s menu, retrain its staff and educate its owners.

And those aren’t the only changes that Ramsay will be making. He’ll do whatever it takes to help a restaurant succeed, whether that means reinterviewing its staff to figure out who needs to go, or even gutting the dining room and re-vamping its decor.

“Kitchen Nightmares” proved that chef Gordon Ramsay has what it takes to turn a struggling business around — the question here is whether he can do it in only 24 hours. “Gordon Ramsay’s 24 Hours to Hell & Back” is in early production at Fox.

Mid-season emergency: The new TV season has barely even started, but the networks are already lining up new shows that are scheduled to premiere mid-season. Case in point: Fox’s “9-1-1,” which has no firm release date as of yet but which should hit screens sometime in the new year.

The procedural follows a group of first responders dealing with shocking situations while trying to balance their personal lives with their professional ones. Not much more is known about the series as of yet, except for the stars who are lined up to be part of it.

Angela Bassett (“American Horror Story”) and Peter Krause (“Parenthood”) have boarded the drama in as-yet-unnamed roles, along with “Nashville” star Connie Britton, in her first regular role since her five-season run in that drama. Details about the characters being played by the three actors are still being kept under wraps.

Shows that premiere mid-season are typically used to fill the time-slots left vacant by canceled series — typically freshman ones with such poor ratings they don’t even survive a single season. With 13 episodes on order, Fox looks to be betting on “9-1-1” being a strong replacement for an underperformer.

Q: At the end of the last season of “Blue Bloods,” we saw Danny and family in front of their burning house, but at the start of the new season there’s no wife. Why is she no longer in the show?
A: There’s no way to answer this without spoiling the events at the beginning of this season of “Blue Bloods” (and at the end of last season, for that matter) so if you aren’t caught up on the long-running CBS cop drama, you might want to look away.

That said, answering “why” she left the show doesn’t give anything away: Actress Amy Carlson, after seven seasons playing Linda Reagan on the show, reportedly decided it was time to try something else. That’s according to Deadline.com, which stated that her contract was up at the end of the season, which is why the move happened when it did.

Carlson stayed quiet about her departure from the show until after the episode aired so as not to ruin the surprise, which means she hasn’t announced any new projects.

Shortly after the episode aired, however, she did post an open letter on her social media accounts, spreading gratitude around and generally making it clear that she hadn’t been fired.

“I’m so grateful to CBS and the Blue Bloods cast and crew. Mostly, I am grateful to the fans who have supported me and the show.”

Colin Hanks and Zoe Lister-Jones star in “Life in Pieces”

Q: I was just rewatching “The Bourne Identity” (for about the dozenth time) and thought I recognized one of the CIA analysts: Is that Boyd from “Justified”?
A: Eight years before he was career criminal Boyd Crowder in “Justified,” 14 years before he was vice-principal Lee Russell in HBO’s “Vice Principals,” and just a few months before he was Det. Shane Vendrell in “The Shield,” Walton Goggins was a nameless CIA research technician in “The Bourne Identity.”

Goggins had been struggling in L.A. prior to that, doing one-off guest spots and bit movie roles, with his role in the 2002 action hit marking a sort of a turning point.

Actually, it would be better described as the spotlight before the turning point. His next role was a coveted co-starring gig in the award-winning, critically acclaimed cop drama “The Shield.”

A series of equally or more-acclaimed TV roles would follow, as would similarly prestigious film roles — for example, he’s become a favorite of indie darling Quentin Tarantino, having appeared in his two most recent films: “Django Unchained” (2012) and “The Hateful Eight” (2016).

Have a question? Email us at questions@tvtabloid.com. Please include your name and town.
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1  “I’ll make ____ ____ out of you!”
5  Letters of distress
8  PC maker
11  ____-Rooter
12  Phileas Fogg’s direction of travel
13  Formerly known as
14  Top-rated sitcom from the 1950s
16  Med. drama sites
17  Guam’s capital, old-style
18  Diamond stats
19  Late October sight
20  “Honest” President
23  “Boardwalk Empire” actress
32  Greeting said on October 31
38  Table salt, to a chemist
39  “Teen Wolf” star
40  Blood-typing letters
41  Butter knives
45  “Mazel ____!”
46  Samoan port
47  Penultimate fairy tale word
48  Heavy-duty cleanser
49  Late comedian
50  “Cheers” star Roger ___

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4  “The Office” star, writer and producer
5  Finnish hot spot
6  Extinct Indo European tongue
7  Pig’s digs
8  Patron’s act in “Cheers”
9  Reality show on Discovery: “____ ____ Gold”
10  It might be found in 7 Down
11  Israeli airline
12  Villainous doctor in the “Austin Powers” films
13  “Golden Girls” spinoff
14  Top-rated sitcom from the 1950s
15  It may be easily bruised
16  Med. drama sites
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18  (1942) pianist
19  Barbed comments
20  2002 dramedy starring Hugh Grant
21  Hallmark drama based on a book series by Debbie Macomber
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37  “Hamlet” courtier
38  Abbr. in many org. names
39  “Casa-blanca”
40  “Cheers” actress
41  “Casa-blanca” (1942) pianist
42  First lady
43  Riddle-me-____
44  12th graders: Abbr.
The Tonight Show With Jimmy Fallon

United Airlines just launched the shortest domestic flight that’s only 16 minutes long.

And, somehow, there’s still a passenger who decided to eat a tuna sandwich.

Scientists have invented a way for you to change channels on your TV with gestures. Yeah, it’s great for people who like watching sports completely still.

**The Late Show With Stephen Colbert**

As commander in chief, President Trump has nearly unlimited power to wage war at his fingertips — and that’s just Twitter.

Today, 13 days after hurricane Maria, yet another disaster struck Puerto Rico: Donald Trump visited the island.

The Late Show With James Corden

Archeologists believe they have found the tomb of St. Nicholas beneath an ancient church in Turkey. St. Nicholas, of course, is the basis for the legend of Santa Claus. And they think they found him. Which means now when my son asks me if Santa is real, I can confidently say, "Yes! He is dead, though. That’s why you didn’t get that bike.”

**Jimmy Kimmel Live**

The president was in Puerto Rico today, to survey the damage caused by hurricane Maria. He brought his wife, Melania, along. He likes to bring Melania to this kind of thing, in case they encounter a situation that requires showing concern for other human beings. That becomes her job.

**Weekend Update With Colin Jost and Michael Che**

For O.J. Simpson’s first meal after being released from prison, he had two double quarter pounder meals from McDonald’s. Which explains the new slogan for Burger King: “Burger King: O.J. Eats at McDonald’s.”

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**Monday, October 30 to Friday, November 3**

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**Conan**

Scientists have figured out how to generate electricity from tears. In fact, they say that soon, 10 per cent of our renewable energy will come from people watching “This Is Us.”

Jimmy Fallon

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### CBS Evening News

- 6:30 PM: **Hocus Pocus:** (1993, Comedy) Three 17th century witches are accidentally conjured into the 20th century on Halloween (Oct 30).
- 9:30 PM: **Halloween:** (1978, Horror) A mentally unstable killer escapes from an institution and terrorizes three female teens.

### Special Events

- **Me, Myself & I:** Alex Riley, a former inventor, who realizes that an old crusty may be the love of his life in "Me, Myself & I," airing Monday, Oct. 30, on CBS. The unique untold stories over three critical periods of Alex's life: his mid-life crisis and as a 65-year-old retiree.
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Joh Larroquette in Me, Myself & I”
The Flash

WTVI (32) 8:00 p.m.

When villains threaten the citizens of Central City, The Flash (Grant Gustin) races to protect them in a new episode of “The Flash,” airing Tuesday, Oct. 31, on CW.

Based on the popular DC Comics series, the drama recounts the story of a mild-mannered crime scene investigator with super speed.

Grant Gustin in “The Flash”

Tuesday, October 31

2:00 p.m. FX (39) “Paranormal Activity 4” (2012, Horror) A new family moves to town, stirring up strange events in the neighborhood. (2h)

2:30 p.m. FREE (26) “Hocus Pocus” (1993, Comedy) Three 17th century witches are accidentally conjured into the 20th century on Halloween. (1h30)

2:30 p.m. VH1 (29) “Space Jam” (1996, Comedy) Michael Jordan helps the Looney Tunes during a basketball game against aliens. (2h)

3:00 p.m. AMC (50) “Halloween H2O: 20 Years Later” (1998, Horror) A killer tracks down his sister, intent on finishing what he started 20 years ago. (2h)

3:30 p.m. FREE (26) “Hocus Pocus” (1993, Comedy) Three 17th century witches are accidentally conjured into the 20th century on Halloween. (1h30)

5:00 p.m. AMC (50) “Halloween 2” (2009, Horror) Michael Myers continues his quest as he waits for his sister to get out of the hospital. (2h30)

5:30 p.m. SYFY (52) “A Nightmare on Elm Street 6: The Dream Master” (1989, Horror) Freddy Krueger is resurrected and troops down the remains of the Elm Street kids. (2h)

6:00 p.m. FX (39) “The Purge: Anarchy” (2014, Horror) Five people attempt to survive a night in L.A. where all crime is sanctioned for 12 hours. (2h)

7:00 p.m. AMC (50) “Halloween” (2007, Horror) A ordinary store owner finds himself ripe for a killing epidemic. (2h)

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9:00 p.m. SYFY (52) “The Return of Michael Myers” (1988, Horror) Michael Myers escapes from break-havoc on all, including his niece. (2h)

11:00 p.m. VH1 (29) “Space Jam” (1996, Comedy) Superman and the Legion of Super Heroes outscare the Looney Tunes during a basketball game against aliens. (2h)
**Wednesday movies**

7:00 a.m. FX (**) "The Purge: Anarchy" (** 2014, Horror) A family is held hostage for harboring the target of a murderous syndicate. (2h)

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9:45 a.m. AMC (**) "Thinner" (** 1996, Horror) A large man undergoes frightening changes after a gay man offers him drugs. (2h)

11:45 a.m. AMC (**) "A Nightmare on Elm Street" (** 2010, Horror) A glove-wielding killer murders people in their dreams resulting in their real life death. (2h)

12:30 p.m. SYFY (**) "Snowpiercer" (** 2014, Sci-Fi) The survivors of a disastrous experiment live aboard a train where an uprising is staged. (3h)

3:30 p.m. SYFY (**) "Robot Hood" (** 2010, Adventure) A lowly archer gets more than he bargained for when he helps a dying knight. (2h)

4:00 p.m. FREE (**) "Matilda" (** 1996, Family) A young girl with telekinetic abilities uses her powers against grown-ups. (2h)

5:00 p.m. TNT (**) "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest" (** 2006, Adventure) Jack Sparrow tries to save his soul from Davy Jones and his army of sea-phantoms. (3h)

6:00 p.m. FREE (**) "Alice in Wonderland" (** 2010, Adventure) Alice returns to magical Underland and learns her destiny is to defeat the Red Queen. (2h30)

**AMC (**) "Insidious" (** 2010, Horror) A family tries to prevent their being dragged into another realm by evil spirits. (2h30)

6:30 p.m. SYFY (**) "Green Lantern" (** 2011, Action) When a man finds a magic ring, he joins a group charged with creating interspatial peace. (2h30)

8:00 p.m. TNT (**) "Red" (** 2010, Action) A retired black ops agent puts his team back together after being attacked in his home. (2h1)

8:00 p.m. FREE (**) "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" (** 1971, Family) A chocolate maker distributes five golden tickets for a trip through his magical factory. (2h30)

**AMC (**) "Insidious: Chapter 2" (** 2013, Horror) A haunted family tries to understand why they are connected to the spirit world. (2h30)

9:00 p.m. SYFY (**) "The Lone Ranger" (** 2013, Action) A Native American retells the story of a man who was a law of legend. (3h)

10:00 p.m. TNT (**) "Red 2" (** 2013, Action) A team of retired C.I.A. operatives reunite to track down a missing nuclear device. (2h16)

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12:15 a.m. TNT (**) "Enemy of the State" (** 1998, Action) A successful lawyer is pursued by a teacher's group. National Security Agency official. (2h45)

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**American Housewife**

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Katy Mixon stars as an unapologetic wife and mother who struggles to stand out among her seemingly perfect neighbors in "American Housewife,” airing Wednesday, Nov. 1, on ABC. This season, Katie (Mixon) and her husband, Greg (Diedrich Bader), strive to instill some good, old-fashioned values in their three kids.

**Katy Mixon stars in “American Housewife”**
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#### Jane the Virgin

**WFLY (12) 9:00 p.m.**

Jane (Gina Rodriguez) isn't impressed when she discovers that Rafael (Justin Baldoni) introduced Mateo (Elias Janssen) to his new girlfriend in a new episode of "Jane the Virgin," airing Friday, Nov. 3, on CW. Meanwhile, Xo (Andrea Navedo) works to grow the dance studio.

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#### Gina Rodriguez stars in "Jane the Virgin"

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Kidnap
While enjoying a day at the carnival with her son Frankie (Correa), single mom Karla (Berry) experiences a parent’s worst nightmare when the boy is kidnapped by a stranger. Desperate to save her son, Karla pursues the abductor, a woman named Mango (Gigli), chasing her across the city to an international child abduction ring that is more than willing to kill to keep its secrets.


Sudoku
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