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Thursday, July 14, 2005



Scene from "The Committee'

Little-Seen Brit Avant Garde Film on DVD

Eclectic DVD and Basho Records have released **The Committee** for US distribution on DVD, which marks the first time the film will be seen since its 1968 film debut.

The Committee, starring Paul Jones (seen below in his wedding photo) of Manfred Mann fame, is a unique and controversial document of Britain in the 1960s. Avoiding easy answers, The Committee uses a surreal murder to explore the tension and conflict between bureaucracy on one side, and individual freedom on the other. Unlike many films of the era that vilified the state as repressive, The Committee also explores the inherent weakness of the individual. Writer and producer Max Steuer and director Peter Syke's complex vision is presented with creative and often bizarre techniques, placing this film firmly within the 60's psychedelic movement.

The musical score is a major element of this film. Written and performed by the **Pink Floyd**, the soundtrack is some of the most intellectual music Pink Floyd has ever produced, according to music writer David King. This music has never before been released on any format, and is a must for all Floyd fanatics. Also featured in the movie is Arthur Brown performing his hit Fire. The DVD includes a CD of the Homemade Orchestra, a classical/jazz fusion group, performing the song **The Committee**, written by Steuer and Jones, as well as two other Homemade Orchestra tracks. The DVD also includes 50 minute interview with Steuer and Sykes who take us behind the scenes of **The Committee**. Oscar-winning documentarymaker Jon Blair conducts the interview and explores the fascinating and complex ideas behind the **The Committee** and humorously reveals the trials of making an independent film.

The Committee

Website: www.thecommitteethemovie.com

Images and Production Stills: <u>www.thecommitteethemovie.com/gallery.</u> <u>htm</u>

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Manfred Mann lead singer Paul Jones marries Sheila MacLeod 🚬

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Maria Sharapova REUTERS/Robert Galbraith

Sharapova Aces Fashion at ESPY

Russian professional tennis player **Maria Sharapova** arrives at the 13th annual *ESPY Awards* at the *Kodak Theatre* in Hollywood July 13, 2005. She's wearing a daring **John Varvatos** chocolate brown silk catsuit from his latest Fall collection. The taped program which honors excellence in sports performance will air on ESPN on July 17, 2005.



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Charles Winston Couture Bracelet

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Charles Winston Couture offers up some serious bling -- start saving your coin, because this is ideal winter holiday gifting. The above 3-carat white gold and diamond circle bracelet retails for \$1, 999. But can you put a price on love? The watches below retail at a reasonable \$350 to \$795. Visit www.charleswinstoncouture.com for more info.

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Wednesday, July 13, 2005



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Stylist Opens Shop

After 12 years as a fashion stylist in Los Angeles, Zoe Battles launches

her own clothing and accessories boutique named Ruby Jean in Sherman Oaks on July 17, 2005. In addition to fashion finds from select L.A. designers, Battles will offer style advice.

For 10 years, Battles has styled celebrities (including TLC, Kelis, P. Diddy, Mary J. Blige, Bow Wow, and 311) for music videos, commercials, fashion editorials, and film, Designers in the shop include Alicia Lawhon, Maggie Barry, Religion, The Divine Tribe, Heike Jarick, Ecliptica from Puerto Rico, Nieves Lavi, Reo Starr, Cammie Hills, J and Company, Picalina, and Sky, as well as accessories from Lee Angel, Erika Pena jewelry from Puerto Rico, Hasnaa feather earrings, Audrey Hu jewelry, Erin Nomoura, Jaclyn Mayer, handbags from Junior, Drake, and Treesje.

Ruby Jean will open its doors July 17, 2005, 2- 8 p.m. at 1500 Ventura Blvd #101 in Sherman Oaks, CA. <u>www.rubyjeanclothing.com</u> For information on Battles: www.zoebattles.com

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Fox Announces Dates For O.C., Reunion



Pilot promo pic for Fox's "Reunion," from Warner Bros. TV

The O.C.'s Back, Reunion Begins

Fox's Thursday's prime-time lineup premieres Thursday, September 8, 2005 at 8 p.m.: **The O.C.** and the new drama **The Reunion**.

The O.C. will feature guest-star Jeri Ryan, who joins in a recurring role for a multi-episode arc. When **The O.C**. returns for its third season premiere (8 p.m. ET/PT), *Ryan* (**Ben McKenzie**), *Marissa* (**Mischa**)

Barton), *Seth* (Adam Brody) and *Summer* (Rachel Bilson) are about to begin their senior year at Harbor High. But while everyone else celebrates the last days of summer, a dark cloud hangs over the foursome. *Trey* (Logan Marshall-Green), Ryan's brother, still clings to life two months after the shooting and the cops want to know who really shot him. Will Ryan take the fall for Marissa? Meanwhile, *Julie Cooper* (Melinda Clarke) and Marissa's father, *Jimmy* (Tate Donovan), are determined to protect Marissa at whatever cost. And while *Sandy* (Peter Gallagher), Seth and Ryan try to fend for themselves at home, *Kirsten* (Kelly Rowan), still recovering in her plush rehab by the sea, forms a friendship with fellow recovering alcoholic *Charlotte* (Jeri Ryan), who – like all things in the O.C. – may not be everything she appears to be.

Reunion, making its series premiere (9 p.m.), marks a groundbreaking concept in series television as it chronicles the lives of a group of six friends over the course of 20 years – all in just one season. Part character drama and part murder mystery, Reunion tells stories of love and loss, marriage and death, triumph and scandal as it depicts the hopes and dreams of 18-year-olds and the realities that mark those lives two decades later.

Reunion opens in the present day at the funeral of one of the friends, whose death is being investigated by *Detective Marjorino* (Mathew St. **Patrick**). Before the identity of the deceased is revealed, we're transported back to 1986, as the group is celebrating their high school graduation.

Will (Will Estes) longs to leave his small town behind. Aided by an athletic scholarship, he will be the first in his family to go to college. *Craig* (Sean Faris), handsome and privileged, looks forward to the Ivy League with his girlfriend, *Samantha* (*Alexa Davalos*), whose ambition is surpassed only by her looks and intelligence. The beautiful *Jenna* (Amanda Righetti) dreams of becoming an actress; behind his cynicism, *Aaron* (Dave Annable) dreams that his relationship with Jenna will go beyond friendship. *Carla* (Chyler Leigh), innocent and quirky, must choose between loyalty to her father and staying near her best friends.

The pilot episode follows all six through the summer of 1986, and we witness the formative events that alter their dreams and desires forever. Episode two finds the group a full year later, in 1987; episode three tells the story of a seminal event in 1988, and so on – culminating in the season finale at the friends' 20th high school

reunion. Reunion also will build toward answering two important questions raised in episode one: Which of the friends is dead? And who is responsible for that death?

From Wonderland Sound and Vision and College Hill Pictures and in association with Warner Bros. Television Production Inc., **The O.C.** is executive-produced by Josh Schwartz, Bob DeLaurentis and McG. Stephanie Savage and Ian Toynton serve as co-executive producers. The series stars Peter Gallagher (Sandy Cohen), Kelly Rowan (Kirsten Cohen), Benjamin McKenzie (Ryan Atwood), Mischa Barton (Marissa Cooper), Adam Brody (Seth Cohen), Melinda Clarke (Julie Cooper) and Rachel Bilson (Summer Roberts).

Reunion is a Warner Bros. Television Production, Inc. and Class IV Production. Jon Harmon Feldman, Steve Pearlman and Andrew Plotkin are executive producers and Michael Katleman and Gina Fattore are coexecutive producers.

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Tuesday, July 12, 2005



Check it out! This is one of BeansTalk's favorite jewelers!! Click on the above image to enlarge.

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Hilary Duff

Duff and Schneider to Host Teen Choice 2005

Hilary Duff and Rob Schneider will co-host The 2005 Teen Choice Awards Tuesday, August 16, 2005 at 8 p.m. on Fox. The 2005 Teen Choice Awards celebrates the hottest teen icons in film, television, music, sports and fashion.

At 18, Duff's found success in television, film and music. Duff is currently starring in the movie "The Perfect Man." Her third album, "Most Wanted," will debut in August 2005, and her "Still Most Wanted" tour starts this month. Duff is currently nominated for Choice Movie Actress: Comedy, the latest of a total of five Teen Choice nominations she has received for her work in TV and film. In 2003, she won Choice Movie Breakout Performance for her role in "The Lizzie McGuire Movie."

Comedian, actor and writer Schneider will soon be seen in the comedy "Deuce Bigalow: European Gigolo," a sequel to his hit film "Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo." After his big break on "The Late Show with David Letterman," Schneider landed a regular gig on "Saturday Night Live" for four seasons and has gone on to star in numerous films, many alongside former SNL buddy Adam Sandler.

Reigning as one of music and fashion's most iconic and cool artists, **Gwen Stefani** will headline **The 2005 Teen Choice Awards**, performing her hit single "Hollaback Girl" off her five-times platinum solo album "Love. Angel. Music. Baby." Before kicking off her first-ever solo tour this fall, Stefani will also be honored with the Teen Choice Visionary Award for style and talent in the worlds of music, film and fashion. Stefani is also nominated for four Teen Choice Awards, including Choice Female Artist.

Duff and Schneider will preside over the seventh annual awards, where the coolest stars will receive coveted Teen Choice surfboard awards in categories such as Choice Breakout TV Show, Choice Movie Chemistry, Choice Reality/Variety Show, Choice Breakout Artist, Choice Male Hottie, Choice Female Athlete, Choice Liplock and Choice TV Sidekick. From now until Thursday, Aug. 4, voters can log on exclusively to <u>http://www.teenpeople.com/teenchoice</u> to cast their ballots for the hottest celebrities in film, television, music, sports and fashion.

Teens are also eligible to enter the "Claim to Fame" contest, a nationwide search to find guy and girl trophy presenters for **The 2005 Teen Choice Awards**. The "Claim to Fame" contest kicked off Friday, July 1, and ends Monday, July 25. The winners will each receive a fourday/three-night trip to Los Angeles to attend **The 2005 Teen Choice Awards**, where their responsibilities will include presenting trophies, escorting celebrity winners, hanging out backstage and attending the post-show party. Online entry forms are located at <u>www.fox.com/</u> <u>claim2fame</u>.

The 2005 Teen Choice Awards is executive-produced by Bob Bain (The Billboard Music Awards) and Mike Burg. Paul Flattery serves as producer. Greg Sills serves as supervising producer.

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The First Mr. Britney Spears

Britney Proposed to Me First, Says Jilted Groom

Kevin Federline was not the first man Britney Spears proposed to, according to Jason Alexander whom the pop princess married for a mere 55 hours. "She proposed to me! She asked me to marry her," says Alexander, who also claims, like Federline, he didn't say yes right away during an exclusive TV interview on 'A Current Affair' Friday, July 15, 2005.

"I thought about it. It was really early in the morning, and I was like, 'Man! Can't we wait until tomorrow?' ...But I was joking. But I definitely thought about it because marriage is something that I take seriously, and I really wanted to make sure this was real, but at the same time this was Vegas, and I was like, 'Let's do it!' Vegas can make you do crazy things."

Despite their craziness in Vegas, he tells 'A Current Affair' that if Britney is anything like her mother, then she'll be a good mom too. He says, "I've known her mom for a long time...She's a wonderful mother to her kids...if she's anything like her mom...which she is, she's gonna' be a good mom and wife."

But before Federline and babies, Britney and Alexander were planning a honeymoon but "never got around to that." They did however get around to consummating the marriage, according to Alexander who tells 'A Current Affair,' "Yeah, it was consummated...that's something that happened."

But when it came to ending the marriage, the 55-hour hubby says he "wasn't treated the best" by Britney's team and asserts that a lot of people pressured him to fight the annulment. He claims he knew full

well what he was signing, but had no intentions to gain financially, stating that the experience in itself was "a real eye opener as far as what happened and how big a deal it really was."

Of her new husband, Alexander says, "As far as I know, he's a really cool guy. A lot of my friends have hung out with him...I haven't watched her reality show and as far as everybody I speak to who knows her they say she's really happy...I don't know what she's gonna' be doing with the next ten years of her life...I'm just happy for her and I hope the best for her."

More details of their Las Vegas wedding on Friday's 'A Current Affair,' one of broadcasting's most historic and groundbreaking news magazine programs.

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Jessica Alba Photo by Mario Anzuoni/Reuters

Jessica Alba: Bejeweled Fashionista

Actress Jessica Alba is seen in the above photo on '*The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*' in Burbank on July 7, 2005. Alba stars in the upcoming 20th Century Fox release Fantastic Four, which overcame some of the worst reviews of the year to top the North American box office with better-than-expected weekend ticket sales of \$56 million, its distributor 20th Century Fox said on Sunday. The News Corp. -owned studio had hoped for an opening in the mid- to high-\$30 million range.

Alba chose a champagne shantung dress from Roland Mouret's Spring/Summer 2005 collection. She also wore earrings from the H. Stern Cobblestone Collection and a ring from Diane von Furstenberg by H. Stern.

From the Designers...

About Roland Mouret: Roland Mouret debuted his Autumn/Winter 2005 collection during New York Fashion Week. Inspired by cinema, "Dangerous Liaisons" and "Hotel de Nord" played a part in this season's collection, with the constricted form, power and sensuality of the 40's France. The collection creates an illusion of the body using building blocks of articulated pieces – moulding the form, embracing curves and lengthening limbs. Distorted proportion is key with waist restrainers, cropped jackets and elongation of the lower body. It's a combination of masculine vs. feminine; lean vs. volume.

Over the last four years, Roland Mouret has firmly established himself as a leading light in international design. With awards including British Designer of the Year at the Elle Style Awards, and the prestigious Vidal Sassoon Cutting Edge Award, a record three nominations at the Lycra British Fashion Awards including designer of the year and most recently was nominated for the British Fashion Awards, his work is recognized and praised both within and outside the industry for its originality and his unique vision of women's sensuality.

About H. Stern: One of the world's pre-eminent fine jewelry houses, H. Stern has remained at the forefront of fashion for over 50 years by continuously renewing itself and always seeking new sources of inspiration in the worlds of art, architecture, pop culture and couture. H. Stern's international scope - 160 stores in 12 countries - and involvement in every detail of the production of its jewels and watches is unmatched in the jewelry industry, as is the company's endless search for the most exquisite gemstones and innovative manufacturing techniques. As technology has grown more sophisticated, so has H. Stern's commitment to high style.

H.Stern is present at the most sought-after places in the world: on the wrists, necks and fingers of Hollywood celebrities. Natalie Portman, Angelina Jolie, Jennifer Lopez, Salma Hayek, Drew Barrymore and Beyoncé are all style icons that have graced magazine covers and have made red carpet appearances in H.Stern's designs. Whether creating new styles, anticipating trends or smoothly introducing the classics of the future, H.Stern is always there, always unique.

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The Wedding Date

The Wedding Date on DVD

The Wedding Date makes its DVD debut on August 16, 2005. Starring Debra Messing of the NBC series "*Will & Grace*" and Dermot Mulroney (My Best Friend's Wedding), the DVD features more than ten minutes of deleted scenes. The DVD and VHS are priced at \$29.98; pre-order date is July 12, 2005.

The movie is directed by **Clare Kilner** (How to Deal), and also stars **Amy Adams** (Catch Me If You Can), **Jack Davenport** (Pirates of the Caribbean), **Sarah Parish** (Parting Shots), **Jeremy Sheffield** (Anna Karenina), **Peter Egan** (Bean) and **Holland Taylor** (Legally Blonde).

Bonus Features

Deleted Scenes – More than 10 minutes of deleted scenes.

A Date with Debra - Debra Messing shares stories and her favorite memories

Feature Commentary with Debra Messing

Synopsis

Kat Ellis (Messing) is determined to attend her younger sister's wedding with a date. Rather than face the ridicule of her family and in order to show up her ex-fiancé, she resorts to the Yellow Pages to find a lastminute escort, Nick (Dermot Mulroney, My Best Friend's Wedding). His dashing good looks and quick-witted charm may win over her family. But will they win over Kat? For more information: <u>www.theweddingdate.</u> net.

CAST & FILMMAKERS

Cast: Debra Messing, Dermot Mulroney, Amy Adams, Jack Davenport, Sarah Parish, Jeremy Sheffield, Peter Egan, Holland Taylor

Director: Clare Kilner

Screenplay By: Dana Fox

Based on the Book Asking for Trouble By: Elizabeth Young

Producers: Nathalie Marciano, Michelle Chydzik Sowa, Jessica Bendinger, Paul Brooks

Executive Producers: Norm Waitt, Scott Niemeyer, Steve Robbins, Jim Reeve

Director of Photography: Oliver Curtis, BSC

Editor: Mary Finlay

Production Designer: Tom Burton

Music By: Blake Neely

Music Supervisor: Randy Gerston

Costume Designer: Louise Page

Make-up & Hair Designer: Kristin Chalnmers

Co-Producer: Jeff Levine

Line Producer: Mairi Bett

Casting Director: Carl Proctor

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

DVD

Street Date: August 16, 2005

Pre-Order Date: July 12, 2005

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Price: \$29.98

Selection Numbers: 27220 Anamorphic Widescreen/27221 Full Frame

Running Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Layers: Dual

Aspect Ratio: Full Frame (1:33:1); Widescreen (1:85:1)

Rating: PG-13 (For thematic elements and sexual content including dialogue)

Technical Info: English Dolby Digital 5.1/Captioned; Spanish Dolby Digital 5.1/Subtitled

VHS

Street Date: August 16, 2005

Pre-Order Date: July 12, 2005

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Price: \$29.98

Selection Number: 63196

Running Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Rating: PG-13 (For thematic elements and sexual content including dialogue)

Picture: Full Frame

Audio: Hi-Fi Stereo Surround

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"Joanne Kilbourne on the Case" (photo: Lifetime TV)

Alias Star in New Lifetime Movie

Victor Garber, who plays Jennifer Garner's father in "Alias," costars withWendy Crewson ("The Santa Clause 2"), who stars as 'Joanne Kilbourne,' a former detective who left the police force after her husband was murdered 20 years ago. Now an investigative journalist, Kilbourne, a single mother, is drawn into murder and intrigue in five mysteries, based on the popular novels by **Gail Bowen**, airing during a special mystery showcase on **Lifetime Television** Saturday, July 30, 2005 from 1-11PM (ET/PT).

The schedule of movies during "Joanne Kilbourne on the Case"--Love & Murder, 1-3PM (ET/PT); The Wandering Soul Murders; 3-5PM (ET/PT); Deadly Appearances, 5-7PM (ET/PT); Verdict in Blood, 7-9PM (ET/PT); and A Killing Spring, 9-11PM (ET/PT).

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Andrew Lincoln of "Teachers"

U.K. Series Teachers On BBC America

Americans had **Boston Public**, the U.K. has **Teachers**. Starring **Andrew Lincoln** (*This Life, Love Actually*), **Teachers** is a new eightpart drama about a group of high school teachers who have more in common with their students than they'd like to admit. They sneak into the restroom for a smoke, always have an excuse for why they're late, and have their own cliques, bullies, and gossips. Teachers premieres Thursday, August 4, 2005 at 10 p.m. ET/7 p.m. PT.

When Teachers begins, Simon (**Andrew Lincoln**) has just turned 27, and is no longer able to use his youth transit pass. He should be at a different stage in his life, but he hasn't yet figured out what kind of adult he is going to be. He has the help of his three best friends, over-eager gym teacher Brian Steadman (**Adrian Bower**, Inspector Lynley), computer teacher Kurt McKenna (**Navin Chowdhry**, Dalziel and Pascoe), and psychology teacher Susan Gately (**Raquel Cassidy**, The Worst Week of My Life), who share pints, homes, and provide the occasional important alibi.

Simon still lives with his father, but when his dad comes home with a hot babe who has a four-year-old babe of her own, Simon is crowded out of his home. At work, Simon locks horns with Jenny (Nina Sosanya, Love Actually, The Jury), a stunning * and stunningly uptight * English teacher. In the classroom he is hassled by Jeremy, a student hungry to learn more. Even his love life is rife with problems. While Simon flaunts an anti-establishment pose with his students, he is secretly in love with police sergeant, Maggie (Zoe Telford, Second Sight).

Executive producer Jane Fallon (This Life) says, "This isn't a series about the education system. This is a humorous look at about how being teachers can affect young adults. They aren't that different from their pupils * smoking behind the bike sheds, making up ridiculous excuses, arguing with their parents, and being late for school. This is what teachers get up to when they have no desk to hide behind."

Teachers was nominated for **Best Drama** series at the and **Royal Television Society AwardsBest Drama** at the **Indie Awards**. It is a *Tiger Aspect* production. The series producer is Tim Bradley, the director is Richard Dale, and the executive producer is Jane Fallon.

For more information www.bbcamerica.com

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Jay and Silent Bob Attend Degrassi Junior High

Kevin Smith, Alanis Morissette Guest on Degrassi Next Generation

Degrassi: The Next Generation and actor/writer/director **Kevin Smith** (Chasing Amy) are collaborating, as **The N**, the nighttime network for teens, wraps up season four of the network's hit series with special guest appearances by Smith.

Smith and actor **Jason Mewes** (Jay & Silent Bob Strike Back) play themselves in three episodes of the three-part season finale. **Alanis Morissette** joins the duo in the second of the three half-hour episodes. Morissette plays the Canadian principal who accepts *Jay and Silent Bob* so they may graduate. The finale will roll out for three consecutive Friday nights -- August 12, August 19 and August 26 at 8 p.m. (ET).

In the Degrassi season finale, Smith travels to Canada to film a fictional sequel to the cult-hit **Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back**. For the 'sequel' titled, **Jay and Silent Bob Go Canadian**, **Eh!**, director Kevin Smith has chosen Degrassi as the perfect Canadian high school for the shoot. In the Degrassi / J&SB storyline, Jay and Silent Bob (played by Mewes and Smith) come to Canada to get a high school diploma since no high school in the United States will take them. Smith said, "The plot of the movie within the show is so funny, it almost makes me want to shoot the flick for real."

Kevin Smith directed and wrote Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back, Dogma, the "Jersey Trilogy" of Clerks, Mallrats and Chasing Amy and his most recent title, Jersey Girl.

The three-episode finale is as follows:

"*West End Girls*"- Premieres Friday, August 12, 8:00 & 10:00 p.m. (ET) -With a common ex-boyfriend, competing Spirit Squad leadership ambitions, and Manny's public revelation of Paige and Matt's affair, Paige and Manny cannot stand each other. And none of this is helped by their shared desire to be Prom Queen. But with the claws bared and the fur flying, these "mean girls" take their war too far. Meanwhile, a chance at stardom could spell the end for Craig and Ashley.

"*Goin' Down The Road*" Part 1- Premieres August 19, 8:00 & 10:00 p. m. (ET) - Alanis Morissette makes a cameo appearance as she plays the Canadian principal who accepts Jay and Silent Bob so they may graduate. Kevin Smith is filming his hot new movie at Degrassi, and while Craig's thrilled to be helping out, he's destroyed over the fact that Ashley is going to England without him. Now he needs to figure out what's really important to him, his health or his love? And Ashley may have another take on things altogether. Meanwhile, Caitlin's been spending a lot of time with Kevin Smith, and she's beginning to once again doubt her relationship with Joey.

"*Goin' Down The Road*" Part 2-Premieres August 26, 8:00 & 10:00 p. m. (ET) - Without his medication, Craig's life seems to be falling apart: he's fighting with Joey, he's leaving home again, and when he's kicked off Kevin Smith's set after a huge blow-up, Craig has nowhere to run. Meanwhile, Caitlin is no closer to figuring out her situation with Joey and Kevin Smith, but running away from it all is sure looking good to her, too.

Smith recounted how he first encountered Degrassi in a November, 1996 article he wrote for *Details Magazine*, entitled '*Obsession Confession*'. In the piece, Smith confesses: "I used to work at this convenience store, and on Sunday mornings the only thing that kept me from gutting the customers in a sleepy rage was **Degrassi Junior High**. See, I had to put the papers together, and I did it while watching double episodes of Degrassi on **PBS**..."

Shortly thereafter, Smith went on to create **Clerks** (1994), his first "Jersey" Trilogy title and even named one if its characters *Caitlin*, after his favorite Degrassi character.

Smith and series producer **Linda Schuyler** kept in touch. Smith is renowned for making references to Degrassi in his movies **Clerks**, **Mallrats**, and **Chasing Amy**. In Chasing Amy, Jason Lee and Ben Affleck discuss their plans for the evening. Ben's plans include clubbing.

Jason, on the other hand, opts for a pizza and watching Degrassi Junior High, an option that intrigues his co-star.

Currently in its fourth season, **Degrassi: The Next Generation** is a fictional, dramatic series that tackles tough issues in a realistic way. Degrassi introduces a new generation of kids going through the trials and tribulations of adolescence in the 21st century at the newly refurbished Degrassi Community School.

The series follows Emma (Miriam McDonald), Ashley (Melissa McIntyre), Paige (Lauren Collins), Manny (Cassie Steele), Ellie (Stacey Farber), Craig (Jake Epstein), Jimmy (Aubrey Graham), Hazel (Andrea Lewis), Liberty (Sarah Barrable Tishauer), Spinner (Shane Kippel), Marco (Adamo Ruggiero), Toby (Jake Goldsbie), J.T. (Ryan Cooley), Jay (Mike Lobel) and Alex (Deanna Casaluce) as they journey through high school.

Degrassi airs regularly Friday nights at 8:00 p.m. (ET) and 10:00 p.m. (ET) on The N.

<>Degrassi: The Next Generation is produced by Epitome Pictures. The series was co-created by Linda Schuyler, co-producer of the original Degrassi series. Schuyler and Stephen Stohn serve as Executive Producers.

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Frankie Muniz

Muniz Lands "Sexiest Year"

Frankie Muniz of "Agent Cody Banks" and "Malcolm In The Middle" will star in the upcoming coming-of-age comedy "My Sexiest Year," which begins shooting in South Beach, Florida, where the film is set, in Spring 2006. Frankie will play Jake Stein, a young man who in the winter of his 17th year moves from Brooklyn to South Beach to live with his estranged father and in the process meets and falls in love with his dream girl, the first-ever swimsuit cover model.

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The film reunites **Frankie Muniz** with producer **Michael Cerenzie**. At 12, Muniz was featured in Cerenzie's 50's New York-gang themed "Deuces Wild." Cerenzie is producing the film with Belle Avery on behalf of NOVA Entertainment (which is also financing the picture) and in association with producer Merlin Reaume. "**My Sexiest Year**" was written and will be directed by Howard Himelstein who previously wrote "**A Good Woman**" with **Scarlett Johanssen** for Lion's Gate Films.

Casting is set to begin to find the actress to play Muniz' beautiful love interest.

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Monday, July 11, 2005

H. Stern at the Hollywood Bowl

H.Stern jewelry was worn by several celebrities at a tribute to Steven Sondheim in celebration of his 75th birthday at the Hollywood bowl. Broadway and Hollywood actresses alike chose H. Stern jewels to make them sparkle on the Hollywood bowl stage.

Anne Hathaway walked the red carpet in the Moonlight earrings \$1,400.

Bernadette Peters walked the red carpet in the Nature Earrings, diamonds at 2.13 carats set in 18k noble gold, \$5,900. Ms. Peters shimmered on stage in the Spring Earrings \$3,000.

Vanessa Williams walked the red carpet in the Stars Pendant \$6,300, Stars Earrings \$4,600 and the Stars Ring \$1,800. Ms. Williams chose the Empress Earrings, Rubies at 2.95 carats set in darkened 18k noble gold, \$6,700 for her stage performance.

Audra McDonald walked the red carpet in the Nature Earrings, diamonds at 3.09 carats set in 18k noble gold, \$13,900. Ms. McDonald made wore the Empress Earrings diamonds at 1.59 carats set in 18k white gold, \$6,700 for her stage performance.

Marine Mazzie chose the Spring Necklace \$12,000 and Spring Earrings \$5,900 for her performance. (There's a very nice close-up photo on the website's virtual catalogue of this pair).

To see some of the collection, visit www.hstern.net

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Fox Fall Premieres



"King of the Hill"

Fox Fall Sked Announced

Monday, August 29 8:00-10:00 PM PRISON BREAK (2-Hour Series Premiere) Monday, September 5 9:00-10:00 PM PRISON BREAK (Time Period Premiere) Thursday, September 8 8:00-9:00 PM THE O.C. (Season Premiere) 9:00-10:00 PM REUNION (Series Premiere) Saturday, September 10 8:00-8:30 PM COPS (Season Premiere for COPS 1) 8:30-9:00 PM COPS (Season Premiere for COPS 2) 9:00-10:00 PM AMERICA'S MOST WANTED: AMERICA FIGHTS BACK (Season Premiere) Sunday, September 11 8:00-8:30 PM THE SIMPSONS (Season Premiere) 8:30-9:00 PM THE WAR AT HOME (Series Premiere) 9:00-9:30 PM FAMILY GUY (Season Premiere) 9:30-10:00 PM AMERICAN DAD (Season Premiere) Tuesday, September 13 8:00-9:00 PM BONES (Series Premiere) 9:00-10:00 PM HOUSE (Season Premiere) Wednesday, September 14 9:00-10:00 PM HEAD CASES (Series Premiere) Saturday, September 17 11:00 PM-Midnight MADtv (Season Premiere) Sunday, September 18 7:30-8:00 PM KING OF THE HILL (Season Premiere)

Monday, September 19 8:00-8:30 PM ARRESTED DEVELOPMENT (Season Premiere) 8:30-9:00 PM KITCHEN CONFIDENTIAL (Series Premiere) Friday, September 23 8:00-8:30 PM THE BERNIE MAC SHOW (Season Premiere) 8:30-9:00 PM MALCOLM IN THE MIDDLE (Season Premiere) 9:00-10:00 PM KILLER INSTINCT [Previously announced as THE GATE] (Series Premiere) [THAT '70s SHOW and STACKED will premiere after Baseball. Premiere dates TBA.]

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The Foxy Bombshell

Angelina Jolie Gets Foxy

Angelina Jolie may adamantly deny having a boyfriend, so she must just like to feel pretty and sexy. The "*Mr. and Mrs. Smith*" star was given a pair of the above *Foxy Bombshell* panties from **The Booty Parlor (www.bootyparlor.com)**, and she liked them so much, she ordered an additional **10** more. The panties are described as: Silk and ribbons have never been so sexy. This racy silk set ties (and unties) in both the front and back. It's best asset? Daring backside cleavage with foxy peek-a-boo potential. It retails for \$42. More on **Booty Parlor** later.

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Friday, July 08, 2005



That's Jeannine on the left

Brousseau's the Best

Imagine our delight when we found our all-time favorite stylist, Jeannine Brousseau, was working out of (temporarily) Chop Chop Salon (830 N. La Brea Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90038 (323) 464-8100, but call Jeannine directly at **323-304-0883**). After six years without a professional haircut, our *Chairman of the Board* had his Samson-style locks cut with such professional precision, we were in awe. In fact, it put our amateur efforts to great shame. The argument we've always ahered to (at least to ourselves) is that 'no one will ever take as much time and effort into you looking good as I would.' Well, guess what? Jeannine did! Movement, depth, charm, all in one Jeannine Brousseau haircut.

We figure it this way: like a great dentist, gyno and auto mechanic, it's worth the drive (or the energy finding out where they are) when you've found the finest.

Chop Chop, for its part, had an amazingly relaxed vibe for such a cool and hip looking place. That's translated as, you don't feel awkward or uncomfortable (even though everyone there is thinner and better dressed). They're extremely customer-oriented; there's no snottiness here. Right at the front desk they have several timers, so customers can monitor their parking meters and make sure they don't get a ticket. How nice is that? We even had the privilege of a warm visit from the owner, **Darin Birchler**.

Chop Chop is described as a: Salon that specializes in cuts and

highlights doubles as an art gallery with rotating artwork and occasional opening receptions.

No doubt you'll hear more about **Chop Chop** and **Jeannine** (we'll keep you posted on her whereabouts) from **BeansTalk**.

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The Greenhornes

Greenhornes Open for White Stripes in L.A.

The Greenhornes open for the White Stripes at The Greek Theater in Los Angeles On August 15th And 16th

LISTEN TO THEIR EP East Grand Blues

I'm Going Away <u>http://exodus.interoutemediaservices.com/</u> <u>deliverMedia.asp?id=5d0e1014-e309-4596-ad0d-</u> <u>67080a0606fd&delivery=stream</u> Shelter Of Your Arms <u>http://exodus.interoutemediaservices.com/</u> <u>deliverMedia.asp?id=4fe75ffc-ef91-4cf7-acc0-</u> <u>86b21c95afd1&delivery=stream</u> At Night <u>http://exodus.interoutemediaservices.com/deliverMedia.asp?</u> <u>id=795c831c-6d5a-446f-84d6-40622917b6ae&delivery=stream</u> Pattern Skies <u>http://exodus.interoutemediaservices.com/deliverMedia.</u> asp?id=66bf0ff8-0bb8-45f7-9e01-c78ec0bac7b3&delivery=stream Shine Like The Sun <u>http://exodus.interoutemediaservices.com/</u> <u>deliverMedia.asp?id=3efc3c0c-186c-44b8-b8fd-</u> <u>1fedf74bf80f&delivery=stream</u>

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Anthony Bourdain

Bourdain's New Show on Travel Channel

Anthony Bourdain uses his distinct reputation as a worldwide gourmet adventurer to introduce viewers to people and places, near and far, in Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations. His authentic travel experiences -- the good, the bad and the ugly -- are presented as Bourdain weaves the globe.

"This is not a food show, it's about people, cultures and places through the eyes of a chef and the prism of food," said Bourdain. "Food is maybe the fastest, easiest and best way 'in' to an unfamiliar place and culture. Once you've sat down with people and eaten their food, their whole world opens up to you in ways that wouldn't ordinarily happen. Food, after all, is the purest _expression of a country, of a culture, a region, a personality."

Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations launches Monday, July 25, at 10 p.m. (ET/PT) and will air Mondays from 10-11 p.m. (ET/PT).

Upcoming premieres include:

"Why the French Don't Suck" -- Premieres Monday, July 25

<>Yes, it is the city of light and love, but Paris also manages to be an inspiring, invisible city full of unexpected surprises. It is the latter explored on this journey - a Paris of working-class subjects with varied ethnic origins - hardworking people who contribute to the city's pulse and edge, like the meatpackers who consume wine and rare beef in the early-morning markets.

"Hello Darkness My Old Friend" -- Premieres Monday, August 1

<>There are only four hours of daylight each day in Iceland in the middle of winter. To outsiders, it seems like a dark time of year. To Icelanders, it's an opportunity to party and dance the night away – the perfect backdrop for Bourdain.

"Off the Jersey Turnpike" -- Premieres Monday, August 8

Although born in New York City, Bourdain was raised in Soprano territory - Bergen County, N.J. This episode, both an investigation and a sentimental personal journey, seeks to answer the question, "Why, in a place so close to New York, is New Jersey such a presumed culinary and cultural wasteland? What is the Jersey identity?"

Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations is produced by ZeroPointZero for the Travel Channel. Executive producer for ZeroPointZero is Lydia Tenaglia. Executive producer for the Travel Channel is Myleeta Aga.

Visit the Travel Channel on the Web at <u>www.discovery.com</u> and click on Travel Channel.

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Thursday, July 07, 2005



Jessica Alba REUTERS/Dave Allocca/Handout

Alba Chooses Rickard Shah

Actress Jessica Alba, star of new film 'Fantastic Four,' (in which she plays "*Invisible Girl*") poses as she arrives for the film's premiere at Liberty Island in New York, July 6, 2005. The film opens in the U.S. on July 8, 2005. She was anything BUT invisible and wore shoes by **Rickard Shah**, Shah's black satin Kelly peep toe pumps with 4.5 inch heels.

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Jennifer Lopez, Marc Anthony

J-Lo and Hubby's Romantic

Getaway

Imagine their surprise! **Jennifer Lopez** and hubby **Marc Anthony** were walk-ins at the **Four Seasons Hotel Newport Beach** a couple of weeks ago. Maybe they had a sudden urge for romance behind the Orange Curtain?

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Back at the Ranch boots

These Boots Are Made... To Be Seen

Tom Ford, Stephen Spielberg, Kate Capshaw, Billy Bob Thornton and **Jane Fonda** are among the celebrities who have discovered the beauty in boots from **Back at the Ranch** (www.backattheranch.com). The Santa Fe, New Mexico shop is filled to the brim with colorful and traditional boots. They also custom-design them. Don't worry if you're not heading to NM any time soon, because they also take on-line orders at their website.

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Four Seasons Newport Beach

The beautiful hotel, the site of the J-Lo /Marc Anthony romantic rendevous features a new, 4,000 sq. ft. spa:

Balance body, mind and soul at **Four Seasons Newport Beach**'s 4,000-square-foot (372-square-metre), full-service spa. The water-themed space soothes – fountains and a rippling water wall are echoed in the soft aquatic blue and green decor. An extensive menu of massages, facials, manicures, pedicures and other body treatments is

offered, from the traditional to the unique. It is the perfect environment in which to surrender your senses and let distractions disappear completely. Spa services are available to guests 18 years and older 2

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Wednesday, July 06, 2005



Kelly Preston (L) and Camilla Belle REUTERS/Jeff Snyder

Belle Chooses Cole

At an advance screening of the new film 'The Chumscrubber' in Washington D.C. June 29, 2005, actress Camilla Belle ("Invisible Circus") wore Kenneth Cole's tan and white seersucker jacket and pant, paired with their champagne satin racerback tank. Belle completed her look with silver hoop earrings with aqua teardrop-shaped drop, also by Kenneth Cole New York. 'The Chumscrubber' opens in the U.S. in August.

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The John Mayer Trio

John Mayer Trio to Tour

Three-time Grammy-winning, multi-platinum-selling writer/singer/ guitarist John Mayer announces the formation of John Mayer Trio. In the last few months, Mayer has performed and/or recorded with Eric Clapton, B.B. King, Buddy Guy, John Scofield and Herbie Hancock, amongothers.

Joining Mayer in this new undertaking are drummer Steve Jordan (Bruce Springsteen, Rolling Stones) and bassist Pino Palladino (the Who, Jeff Beck).

"Steve and I had been doing sessions together, and we were scheduled to do the Tsunami Aid benefit," Mayer recalls. "So Steve said, 'I know who we can get--Pino Palladino.' I said, 'I'd love to play with Pino.' Pino came and we rehearsed Jimi Hendrix's 'Bold as Love' for the benefit. And something happened that I had hoped my entire life would happen, which is that thing about how a band got together for the first time, and everyone in the room just knew there was something special. When it became me, Steve and

Pino, it became this whole different thing. That set me off on a writing
streak; the challenge was, 'Here's this great band - now what are you gonna do with it?' So I went and wrote from a whole new place. So it became a band."

The trio--who appeared at the 2005 Grammy Awards ceremony performing a rendition of Mayer's "Daughters" (which took home that evening's awards for Song of the Year and Best Male Pop Vocal Performance)--will tour North America, including three dates with the Rolling Stones (dates below). Ray LaMontagne and Joss Stone have been confirmed as special guests on selected shows, while other support acts are still to be announced.

"This trio tour isn't just an excuse to blow on the guitar," says Mayer. "It's an opportunity to present my fans with something live, in the sense of living now--that classic palate. I want people to show up at the gig and see the amp lights glowing and hear that idling buzz. I just want to bring people that power."

"I have a whole new appetite for something different," Mayer says. "I want people to

feel, and share, this excitement that I have."

John Mayer Trio Fall Tour

9/6 San Francisco, CA The Fillmore

9/7 San Francisco, CA The Fillmore

9/10 Las Vegas, NV House of Blues

9/11 San Diego, CA House of Blues

9/13 Anaheim, CA House of Blues

9/14 Los Angeles, CA House of Blues

9/15 Los Angeles, CA House of Blues

9/17 Denver, CO Fillmore

9/19 Kansas City, MO Uptown

9/21 Chicago, IL House of Blues 9/22 Chicago, IL House of Blues 9/23 Minneapolis, MN Quest 9/24 Milwaukee, WI Eagles Ballroom 9/26 Nashville, TN Ryman 9/27 New Orleans, LA House of Blues 9/28 Atlanta, GA Tabernacle 9/30 Orlando, FL House of Blues 10/1 Myrtle Beach, SC House of Blues 10/3 Washington DC MCI Center (with Rolling Stones) 10/4 Cleveland, OH House of Blues 10/6 New York, NY The Beacon 10/10 Philadelphia, PA Wachovia (with Rolling Stones) 10/11 Boston, MA Avalon 10/12 Philadelphia, PA Wachovia (with Rolling Stones) www.johnmayertrio.com www.columbiarecords.com

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Tempel 1 comet

Comet Impact on Discovery

Discovery Channel's 20th anniversary, **Comet Impact** premieres Sunday, July 31, 2005 at 10 p.m., and chronicles **NASA's Deep Impact** mission from the very beginning to the explosive finish, using state-of-the-art digital imaging to recreate the craft's journey and ending with footage of the actual impact transmitted from space. <!--[if !supportLineBreakNewLine]--> <!--[endif]-->

The mission was almost impossible. The target, the *Tempel 1* comet, was hurtling though space at 23,000 miles per hour when NASA scientists shot it with an 800-pound probe to try and expose the comet's core. Not only would this give scientists key insights into its make-up and clues into the birth of our solar system, they also wanted to see if someday we could hit one that posed a threat. Before being destroyed on impact, the probe revealed that Tempel 1 was more potato-shaped than pickle-shaped, as scientists had predicted. When the impactor hit the comet, there was a huge flash of heat and light, followed by a cloud of gas and debris, indicating that the comet has a dusty surface with ice just beneath. Unfortunately, this dust cloud blocked clear images of the crater scientists had been hoping for, but they'll be able to get that as other observatories lock onto Tempel 1 in the coming days.

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In **Comet Impact**, the program chronicles scientists, designers and builders working tirelessly to build the craft so that it can be launched on January 12, 2005, giving it time to travel 250 million miles to

intercept the comet. The Deep Impact mission began seven years ago when astronomer Mike Belton had a theory of using a comet's incredible speed against itself to cause a large amount of damage with a fairly small probe. NASA then had to assemble a team of experts from 12 different disciplines to create a spacecraft that could travel across deep space using solar power, park about 300 miles off the comet's path, then shoot a probe straight at the comet. The program will also include footage of the actual impact from several different sources, and updates from scientists to explain what these findings mean about the universe as we know it.

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Comet Impact is produced for Discovery Channel by New Pony Productions. Tomi Landis is executive producer for Discovery Channel and Ron Bowman director/producer for New Pony Productions.

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Lydia Lunch

Lydia Lunch: New DVD

Music Video Distributors and Atavistic have released Lydia Lunch - Willing Victim on DVD.

Lydia Lunch is a performer whose work has stretched over 25 years. Lunch has expressed her nihilistic aggression and sexuality as a musician, poet, novelist, playwright, actress, director and visual artist. She has worked with members of Sonic Youth, Foetus, Swans, The Birthday Party, and Einsturzende Neubauten, and fronted important no-wave band Teenage Jesus and The Jerks, as well as Beirut Slump, 8 Eyed Spy, and 13.13. No other artist of the 20th century has fought, forged, punched, and sculpted her own artistic vision in such a uniquely original way. Defying categorization, Lydia Lunch actively has conquered new territories, and has gained international recognition for the innovative quality of her work.

She returns on this DVD with her band **Willing Victim**, a five piece that includes members of **Swans**, **Godflesh**, **Foetus** and **Unsane**. Together they produce an ambient mood piece that over five movements devolves into a chaotic free jazz apocalypse. This DVD, filmed by Josep M. Jordana and Marc Viaplana, is a document of a 2003 concert in Graz, Austria, in which the audience plays the whipping boy to Lunch's scathing catharsis. **Willing Victim** performs new songs as well as reworked renditions of Lunch favorites stretching back to the **Teenage Jesus** years.

Tracklist:

Orphans

Why Don't We Do It In The Road

Gospel Singer

Meltdown

Run Through The Jungle

The Void

Psychic Anthropology

Lock Your Door

Twisted

Stinkfist

Itch

The Need To Feed

Black Juju

No Excuses

Website: www.lydia-lunch.org

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Lydia Lunch's latest DVD. 🚬

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Tie-Dye towels from Lulu B.

Get Tied Up

Bright, colorful, and ultra soft, Lula B's features one-of-a-kind, hand tie-dyed, beach towels. Chiara Hardaway, creator of Lula B. and niece of superstar Stevie Wonder, re-invents tie-dye, creating a modern version of the retro color concept.

Lula B oversized (34" x 70") 100% cotton terry beach towels undergo a 24-hour process of reactive dye before being dipped in silk silicone. The result is an extra fluffy, vibrantly colored, luxuriously soft-feeling towel—a summer favorite for celebrities like Eve, Nicky Hilton, Tyra Banks, Nicole Ritchie and Tisha Campbell.

"Tie-dye is my signature design, and my towels are so pretty, comfortable and sexy they can transition from beach to bath to bedroom," says Hardaway. She also sells matching t-shirts and tanks, all handmade. She says, "They are so bright and comfy. The cotton is great. They are soft and you can use them for a bunch of stuff."

Lulu B tie-dye color motifs include two-tone turquoise/white, pink/ white, or yellow/white combinations; as well as three-color medleys in blue/purple/white and red/yellow/white, among others.

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Jennifer Jason Leigh

Varnish-ing Point

Actress **Jennifer Jason Leigh** visited **Varnish** June 29, 2005 and had a Spa Pedicure with "Dune Road" and a manicure with "Windy City."

2005 BET Best Actress Nominee **Kimberly Elise** pampered herself at **Varnish** with a **Varnish Spa Pedicure and Manicure** before the 2005 BET Awards.

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Tuesday, July 05, 2005



Custom Care from Essencia

Essencia Gets Personal

Essencia's new program **Personal Product Customization** features products that have been researched, formulated and mixed just for you, arriving your name all over it.

It costs \$250 for one product, and is a customized beauty product for the person who has everything. If you're giving this as a gift, it's offered to the giftee in the form of a gift certificate, so they can be involved in the customizing process.

The recipient can then seek out that one personal, perfect, magic pampering product, for men and women.

The next step is a brief phone consultation with Essencia creator Juliana Lipe, a consultation during which the giftee shares his or her skin issues, allergies, likes, dislikes and scent preferences. Juliana will utilize her expertise as a trained aromatherapist, researching and testing the essential oils and natural ingredients to create the custom potion, and then, within four to six weeks, the giftee will receive two containers of his or her custom product.

But the gift doesn't end there: Each customized recipe will be kept on file with Essencia, so the giftee can order as many more containers of his or her own product as desired. For reorders, they'll only pay for the ingredients used, meaning that depending on the formula, each container of product will cost between \$15 to \$40.

All Essencia products, and Essencia customized products are made of the finest natural ingredients and essential oils. Essencia skincare can be found at specialty beauty stores and spas nationwide, and on **www. essenciaonline.com**. To begin the customization process, visit www. essenciaonline.com, or call 866-568-5848.

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Bill Maher

Bill Maher's Sixth HBO Special

Less than a month before the return of the hit HBO series "Real Time with Bill Maher," the stand-up presentation Bill Maher: I'm Swiss stars the comedian and social commentator in an all-new comedy performance when it debuts Saturday, July 30, 2005 at 10 p.m. on HBO. The special was taped before a live audience at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall in Portland, Ore.

Other playdates: Aug. 3 (12:30 a.m.), 9 (10:15 p.m.), 15 (midnight), 18 (3:20 a.m.) and 24 (2:10 a.m.). HBO2 playdates: July 31 (11:30 p. m.) and Aug. 12 (9:45 p.m.) and 27 (1:30 a.m.).

His seventh solo comedy special on the network, this all-new special features Maher's insights and observations on a wide range of social and political issues. Among the hot-button subjects he discusses are morality and values, gay marriage, the presidential election, homeland security, marijuana and the war on sex.

Maher was the creator and host of "Politically Incorrect," which was produced by HBO Downtown Productions and debuted on Comedy Central in 1993. The series moved to ABC in 1997, where Brad Grey Television joined HBO Downtown Productions as producers, and ended its run in 2002.

Maher's other HBO credits include four hour-long specials - "Victory Begins at Home," "Be More Cynical," "The Golden Goose Special" and "Stuff That Struck Me Funny" - plus "30 Seconds Over Washington," two half-hour stand-up specials, and "Comic Relief VI(tm)." He is the author of the books "When You Ride Alone You Ride with Bin Laden: What the Government Should Be Telling Us to Help Fight the War on Terrorism," "Does Anybody Have a Problem with That? Politically Incorrect's Greatest Hits" and "True Story." Maher's latest book, "New Rules: Polite Musings of a Timid Observer," based on the popular "New Rules" segment of "Real Time," will be published Aug. 9.

Bill Maher: I'm Swiss is executive produced by Bill Maher and Marc Gurvitz; producer/director, Michael Drumm; producer, Andrea Allen; written by Bill Maher.

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Great White 🔁

Great White! Shark Week

Discovery Channel's annual summer blockbuster, **Shark Week** premieres July 17-21, 2005.

Shark Week 2005 features a lineup of world premieres that focus not only on the oceans' apex predator, but also spotlight some of the bestknown myths about sharks -- many of which were featured in the 1975 motion picture "Jaws."

* **Mythbusters: Jaws Special** -- July 17 -- The week is kicked off by a two-hour world premiere special with the mad scientists of MythBusters, who scientifically test whether many -- or any -- of the shark myths from "Jaws" are true.

* **Sharkbite! Surviving Great Whites** -- July 18 -- This world premiere shows how shark attacks can actually shed light on shark behavior.

* American Shark -- July 19 -- This program profiles the millions of

sharks -- big and small, harmful and harmless -- that swim along America's coastlines.

* Shark Hunter: Chasing The Great White -- July 21 -- Narrated by Roy Scheider, this is the first-ever documentary on the life story of the legendary Captain Frank Mundus, a shark hunter-turned-conservationist who was the real-life inspiration for the character Captain Quint in "Jaws."

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Harrison Ford, rib man

James Worthy, Harrison Ford: Rib Men

Thursday, June 30, 2005, basketball star **James Worthy** was seen at **Mr. Cecil's California Ribs** in West Los Angeles. He and a young lady shared catfish nuggets and hush puppies to start and then washed it all down with a rack of babyback ribs, beans and coleslaw.

On June 28, 2005, Harrison Ford walked into Mr. Cecil's California

Ribs in West Los Angeles by himself, sat at the counter and asked for a menu, when a server offered Ford a booth instead. He took the booth and ordered and enjoyed baby back ribs, coleslaw, beans and a diet coke.

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Ren & Stimpy return

The Return of Ren & Stimpy

The original series "The Ren & Stimpy Show" from animator John Kricfalusi returns on Nicktoons Network.

Oh, Joy! Nicktoons, Nickelodeon's 24-hour animation network, announced today that *Ren*, the one and only ornery asthma-hound Chihuahua, and his gullible feline sidekick, *Stimpy*, is back on kids' television for the first time since 2002. Upholding their tradition of crude and rude misadventures from original creator, John Kricfalusi, **The Ren & Stimpy Show** will premiere on **Nicktoons Network** beginning August 2005.

Nicktoons Network will present all 3 seasons of the original series. The show is scheduled to air weekdays on Nicktoons at 11:30 p.m. ET and weekends from 11 a.m. - noon ET with two back-to-back episodes.

Hailed by the press as post-modern animation zaniness, with the

influence of The Three Stooges and the anarchic chucklehead spirit of the classic Warner Bros. Looney Tunes from the 40's and 50's, The Ren & Stimpy Show features a mismatch made in animation heaven. Ren, a scrawny, temperamental, passionate and headstrong Chihuahua, and Stimpy, a loyal, brave and trusting feline get into impossible situations and occasionally exhibit gross behavior. Launched on Nickelodeon in 1991, The Ren & Stimpy Show earned an Emmy nomination in 1993.

In addition to The Ren & Stimpy Show, John Kricfalusi's credits include work on The New Jetsons, The New Adventures of Mighty Mouse and the Rolling Stones video Harlem Shuffle. The series is produced by Spumco, Inc.; Kricfalusi serves as creator/producer/director.

About Nicktoons

Nicktoons, Nickelodeon's 24-hour animation network, is seen in over 34 million homes nationwide. The network's 24-hour schedule features exclusive original programming such as Corneil and Berni, Kaput and Zosky and Nextoons: The Nicktoons Film Festival as well as a roster of hits that have defined kids' and animation lovers' TV, including The Angry Beavers, Yakkity Yak, Invader Zim, Ahhh!Real Monsters, SpongeBob Squarepants, The Fairly OddParents and Jimmy Neutron.

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Fake Bake Xtreme

Deep Tan Year 'Round

Fake Bake introduces **Xtreme Self-Tanning Gel**. Fake Bake features a line of popular self-tanning products, including a lotion and mousse, that can change the fairest skin into a beautiful and bronzed olive tone, the new Xtreme Self-Tanning Gel offers an even deeper, darker tan for those who want to go Xtreme. The new gel formula goes on smoothly and dries quickly, elevating existing tans to the deepest, darkest level no matter the season. "Studies have shown that people feel and look healthier with a tan," says Steve Azar, president of Fake Bake. "Our new Xtreme Self-Tanning Gel gives women what they want – a bronzed glow in the middle of October!"

Fake Bake's celebrity fans include **Kelly Ripa**, **Kylie Minogue** and **Britney Spears**. Fake Bake Xtreme Self-Tanning Gel retails for \$26.99. Fake Bake products are available at salons and Sephora. For more information please visit <u>www.fakebake.com</u>.

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SunFX

Two-Week Tan

The Vacation Getaway Tan is something new under the sun... a longlasting, airbrush tan. This *14-day lasting treatment* is available only from **Angela Nice at M Aesthetics Spa** in Beverly Hills. The Ultimate Long Lasting Tan is completely waterproof. Angela is also known for her Sun FX tan, a contouring and camouflaging blend of tanning shades that highlights abs and muscle tone while disguising cellulite and imperfections. Her Ultimate Long Lasting Tan requires three sessions to complete, with a total cost of \$250.00. Clients may also purchase Circuit Skin Mineral Self Tanner for home use (\$48). The spa technique requires 3 visits:

Visit 1: The first step is a full body exfoliation with a speciallyformulated botanical body scrub, followed by a Vichy bath, which leaves skin soft and smooth, and a perfect base for the Ultimate Tan. An initial application of Sun FX completes the first visit. (One hour, total.)

Visit 2: A second air brush application of Sun FX is completed. (15 minutes)

Visit 3: The final step is a subtle, shimmery protective sealer with a patented formula that allows your tan to continue developing. Day after day, your tan grows deeper and more bronzed—just like the real thing.

And there's an added benefit: The tanning formula, loaded with French botanicals, improves the entire body complexion, while the sealer coat tightens and firms the skin. You're smoothed, tanned and toned, your inner bronzed god or goddess is revealed, and you have two whole weeks to make the most of it. Clients may also purchase Circuit Skin Mineral Self Tanner for home use (\$48).

Angela Nice can be reached at M Aesthetic Spa, 9201 Sunset Boulevard. GF1-A, Los Angeles CA 90068, 310-859-4939 or contact@maestheticsspa.com

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Monday, July 04, 2005



Fireworks!

Happy Fourth of July!!!

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Fireworks!

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Friday, July 01, 2005



Pea in Pod skirt

Spears Turns to Pea in the Pod

Britney Spears has worn **A Pea in the Pod** during her pregnancy. Spears, who is expecting her first child this fall with husband Kevin Federline, was spotted Wednesday in Beverly Hills wearing **A Pea in the Pod**'s chocolate charmeuse printed camisole top from their Fall 2005 collection. She was also seen shopping in Malibu (where she has a home) on Monday wearing **A Pea in the Pod**'s turquoise and black tiedyed asymmetrical skirt by *3 Dots* (seen in the photo above).

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Chris Tucker

Comedian Chris Tucker: Caught On Tape

Chris Tucker of "*Rush Hour*" and "*Rush Hour 2*" is featured on today's '*A Current Affair*.' He headlines this week's '*Caught on Tape*' series by starring in a real-life, high-speed car chase captured on video. This is not a movie in the making.

In an attempt to outrun the cops, Tucker revs up his \$160,000 Bentley sports car and then takes off, reaching speeds over 100 mph for more than five miles, according to cops. His excuse for speeding, he was trying to get to church on time. To find out if he got in a sermon that day, viewers will need to tune in to Friday's episode.

In this new 'Caught on Tape' series, 'A Current Affair' ends each week with the craziest video footage ever captured on tape, featuring candid moments, naughty incidents or just plain bizarre events.

Viewers can make \$200 if their video makes it to air, and can send their most shocking 'Caught on Tape' moments to:

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(see <u>www.acurrentaffair.com</u> for details)

Also on Friday:

- An arsonist tries to set a cab on fire.

- A school bus driver disciplines two rowdy teens with a good beating.

- A 100-year-old man celebrates his birthday in a helicopter until the rotor blades clip a tree.

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Thursday, June 30, 2005



Shelby Lynne

Shelby Lynne on Tour

Grammy-award winner **Shelby Lynne** will kick off a national tour on July 6, 2005, in support of her ninth album, *Suit Yourself*. Although Lynne will headline most dates, she'll also open select shows for **Los Lonely Boys, Chris I saak** and **Jonny Lang** this summer.

Lynne performed "*Go With It*," the first single, on "*The Tonight Show With Jay Leno*" on the eve of the album's release and also appeared on "*Tavis Smiley*" in May. "*Suit Yourself Live*," an hour-long concert performance by Lynne, has been airing each weekend in June as a feature in DIRECTV's FREEVIEW® event series along with a 15-minute film about the making of Suit Yourself. Fans can check out the short film - and four tracks from the upcoming album - at <u>www.shelbylynne.</u> <u>com/sampler.</u> In addition, Lynne's recent performance on KCRW's "*Morning Becomes Eclectic*" can be seen at <u>www.kcrw.com.</u>

Lynne produced *Suit Yourself*, as well as its predecessor, *Identity Crisis*, her 2003 Capitol debut. Early reviews have been exceptional:

In a four-star review, *Blender* pronounced *Suit Yourself* "the best thing she's done since winning the Grammy." "From the celebratory grooves of 'Go With It' to the impressionistic slow-cooker blues of the seven-minute-long closer 'Track 12,' Suit Yourself is organic and quietly powerful," said Interview. "Whether Lynne's singing about a broken heart on the exquisitely dreamy 'I Cry Everyday' or basking in love as comforting as 'cornbread and iced tea' on the stripped-down, shuffling 'Iced Tea,' she has never sounded more at ease in her own skin."

Summer tour dates are as follows:

Shelby Lynne - North American Summer Tour

7/6 Denver, CO Soiled Dove
7/7 Snowmass Village, CO Fanny Hill
7/9 Milwaukee, WI Summerfest
7/10 Chicago, IL Park West
7/11 Indianapolis, IN The Vogue
7/14 Amagansett, NY Stephen Talkhouse
7/15 New York, NY Central Park Summerstage
7/16 Philadelphia, PA North Star Bar
7/17 Boston, MA Paradise Rock Club
7/18 Alexandria, VA Birchmere
7/20 Cleveland, OH House of Blues
7/21 Madison, WI Café Montmartre

7/22 Minneapolis, MN Fine Line Music Cafe
7/24 Calgary, AB Calgary Folk Festival
7/26 Seattle, WA Triple Door
8/5 San Juan Capistrano The Coach House
8/6 Kelseyville, CA Konocti Harbor Resort & Spa w/Los Lonely Boys
8/7 Saratoga, CA Mountain Winery w/Los Lonely Boys
8/10 Tempe, AZ Marquee
8/11 San Diego, CA House of Blues
8/12 Los Angeles, CA Avalon
8/13 Las Vegas, CA Clark County Amphitheatre
8/14 San Francisco, CA Bimbo's
8/17 Lake Tahoe, NV Crystal Bay Club Casino
8/18 Salt Lake City, UT Twilight Series
8/28 Atlanta, GA Chastain Park Amphitheatre w/Chris Isaak
8/30 Nashville, TN Ryman Auditorium w/Jonny Lang

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Actor Will Smith (R) and his wife, actress Jada Pinkett Smith, host the 5th annual 2005 BET Awards at the Kodak Theatre in Hollywood, California June 28, 2005. Pinkett Smith is wearing jewelry by Erica Courtney: Earrings -14k Gold and Diamond Clover Earring with Red Coral Drop. She's wearing a dress by Kevan Hall, alabaster-silk hammered-satin ruched bustier gown with tulip shaped hem and train. *REUTERS/Robert Galbraith*

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Kyra Sedgwick of TNT's "The Closer"

The Closer Renewed

TNT's original series **The Closer** – which premiered on June 13, 2005, to an audience of more than 5.3 million households, making it adsupported cable's top original scripted series telecast ever – has been renewed for a second 15-episode season. The drama series stars two-time *Golden Globe* nominee **Kyra Sedgwick** (*The Woodsman, Something To Talk About, TNT's Door to Door*) as an Atlanta detective transferred to Los Angeles to head the Priority Homicide Division. **The Closer** airs Mondays at 9 p.m. (ET/PT). **Gil Garcetti**, Los Angeles district attorney from 1992 to 2000, is a consulting producer on the series.

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Actor Anthony Anderson has his shirt removed as part of a scripted moment by actresses Vivica A. Fox (L) Kimberly Elise (C) and **Queen Latifah** on stage at the 5th annual 2005 *BET Awards* at the Kodak Theatre in Hollywood, California June 28, 2005. Anderson and Queen Latiah presented an award at the show. Elise wore a dress by **Sue Wong**: Gown - "*Hana*" in Traditional Japanese Crane and Floral Kimono Print with Gold Lame Threading and Beaded Details. *REUTERS/ Robert Galbraith*

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Six Feet Under

Six Feet Under July Episodes

Episode #56: "Eat a Peach"

Debut date: MONDAY, JULY 4 (9:00-10:00 p.m. ET/PT) Other HBO playdates: July 6 (11:00 p.m.), 8 (10:00 p.m.) and 15 (9:00 p.m.)

HBO2 playdates: July 5 (11:30 p.m.) and 9 (9:00 p.m.) Ruth (Frances Conroy) finds a new way to unwind from George (James Cromwell), who longs to close the distance between them; Nate (Peter Krause) and Brenda (Rachel Griffiths) discuss giving Maya (Brenna Leigh Tosh and Brownwyn Anne Tosh) a "coherent narrative"; David (Michael C. Hall) and Keith (Mathew St. Patrick) await news from Mary (Jennifer Elise Cox), and meet a special little boy named Anthony (CJ Sanders); Vanessa (Justina Machado) is shocked when Julio (Giancarlo Rodriguez) gets into trouble at school, and mortified when Rico (Freddy Rodriguez) "schmoozes" things over; Billy (Jeremy Sisto) invites Claire (Lauren Ambrose) to dinner, but she has no appetite; Margaret (Joanna Cassidy) helps stage an ambush; and Maggie (Tina Holmes) brings George to a tense meal.

Written by Rick Cleveland; directed by Daniel Minahan.

Episode #57: "*The Rainbow of Her Reasons*" Debut date: SUNDAY, JULY 10 (9:00-10:00 p.m.) Other HBO playdates: July 11 (10:00 p.m.), 13 (11:00 p.m.) and 15 (10:00 p.m.) HBO2 playdates: July 12 (11:00 p.m.) and 16 (9:00 p.m.) Ruth happily helps "circle the wagons" when Sarah (Patricia Clarkson) calls; David and Keith discover it's hard work playing house with Anthony and his brother Durrell (Kendre Berry); Nate muses on the loss of his first love; Claire finds a temporary financial solution while waiting on an artist's grant; Billy hangs on Claire's every word; Brenda takes a break for some female fun; Vanessa hires a nanny with unexpected talents; Rico gets an offer he can't believe, or refuse; and Maggie worries about George, who starts to embrace the freedom of his reality.

Written by Jill Soloway; directed by Mary Harron.

Episode #58: "The Silence"

Debut date: SUNDAY, JULY 17 (9:00-10:00 p.m.) Other HBO playdates: July 18 (10:00 p.m.), 20 (11:00 p.m.) and 22 (10:00 p.m.), and Aug. 5 (8:00 p.m.) HBO2 playdates: July 19 (11:00 p.m.) and 23 (9:00 p.m.) David and Keith struggle to create parent-child boundaries; Brenda and Nate get ambiguous news, confirming their views on life and death; Ruth fills her schedule with activities, but has trouble unwinding; Vanessa proves to Rico that she can relax herself; Claire meets an interesting guy at work and makes more of an effort to fit in; Margaret lets a cat out of the bag; Maggie and Nate enjoy some silence; and George drops a bomb on Ruth.

Written by Bruce Eric Kaplan; directed by Joshua Marston.

Episode #59: "*Singing for Our Lives*" Debut date: SUNDAY, JULY 24 (9:00-10:00 p.m.) Other HBO playdates: July 25 (10:00 p.m.), 27 (11:00 p.m.) and 29 (10:00 p.m.), and Aug. 5 (9:00 p.m.) HBO2 playdates: July 26 (11:00 p.m.) and 30 (9:00 p.m.) A young Latina's funeral raises questions about the culture and future of Fisher and Diaz; David and Keith are upset when they're not in the driver's seat; Claire takes her co-worker Ted (Chris Messina) to an art school show, where not much has changed; Brenda gets vital information from her doctor, and from Jackie (Anne Ramsay); Nate seeks peace through Maggie's faith; Vanessa heads for a night out, leaving Rico to his fantasies; and Ruth goes out for some pampering and gets more than she paid for.

Written by Scott Buck; directed by Matt Shakman.

Episode #60: "*Ecotone*"

Debut date: SUNDAY, JULY 31 (9:00-10:00 p.m.) Other HBO playdates: Aug. 1 (10:00 p.m.), 3 (11:00 p.m.) and 5 (10:00 p.m.) HBO2 playdates: Aug. 2 (12:10 a.m.) and 6 (9:00 p.m.) David and Keith get comfortable with their new family life; Claire is shocked to discover she and Ted share a passion for politics; Ruth finds empowerment in the woods; Maggie is forced to make a series of awkward calls; Brenda faces several truths at once; Rico finally "gets" Vanessa; and Nate brings the family together against their will.

Written by Nancy Oliver; directed by Daniel Minahan.

The executive producers of **Six Feet Under** are Alan Ball, Robert Greenblatt, David Janollari, Alan Poul, Bruce Eric Kaplan and Rick Cleveland; co-executive producers, Scott Buck and Jill Soloway; supervising producer, Kate Robin; producers, Lori Jo Nemhauser, Bob Del Valle and Craig Wright; co-producer, Nancy Oliver.

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Gabrielle Union (AP Photo/It girl PR, Ann Johansson)

Gabrielle Glitters

Gabrielle Union poses for photographs after arriving at the post BET awards party 'IT' held at The Forbidden City in Los Angeles, Tuesday, June 28, 2005. Union wore Elie Saab Couture and RODO, choosing a sexy pale purple lace spaghetti strap dress with large crystal detailing and a lavender clutch. The dress is from the Elie Saab Couture Spring Summer 2005 collection. The clutch is from the RODO spring summer collection.

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Wednesday, June 29, 2005



Juan Juan Beverly Hills

Second Juan Juan Salon Opens

Beverly Hills' popular **Juan Juan** has opened a second location in Brentwood, California, located at 11674 San Vicente Blvd.

Juan Juan – Brentwood is co-owned by colorist [and BeansTalk friend], Jennifer Jahanbigloo, her husband and celebrity stylist, Sean Jahanbigloo and Sean's sister and celebrity colorist, Elie Jahanbigloo. The 4000 sq. ft. salon, features an Anastasia Beverly Hills brow studio.

Juan Juan – Brentwood has 28 chairs for stylists and colorists, plus color and treatment mixing areas. The shampoo area features relaxing music and dimmed lighting along with a plasma screen television for customers to watch while getting shampooed. At the color processing area, an oversized dining room table is available for customers to relax at with Internet air ports and a designated soundproof facial room.

The new salon will offer all color services and an extensive treatment menu, such as *L'Oreal Professionnel's Serie Expert* power doses. Prices range from \$35 to \$300.

Architect **David Kellen** designed the original **Juan Juan** in Beverly Hills 20 years ago, and was asked by the Jahanbigloos to help design the **Juan Juan** – Brentwood salon. The modern décor features styling stations of dark wood and frosted glass along side ebony-wood flooring. Square cut-outs in the walls provide a feeling of privacy, but also bring a feeling of openness that the Beverly Hills salon projects as well. At the front of the salon there's a large plasma screen television.

"We wanted the salon to have a chic, modern New York City feel with a laid back L.A. vibe," says **Sean Jahanbigloo**. A special retail area will be at the front of the salon and will offer high-end hair accessories and wet goods, which will include *Wella System Professional* and *L'Oreal Professionnel Serie Expert*.

The Anastasia Beverly Hills brow studio will have its own space within the salon. An esthetician trained by Anastasia will provide the famous Anastasia Beverly Hills services, such as brow shaping, lash tinting, makeup and eyelash applications, facial hair removal, facials and body waxing. "I started my career at Juan Juan Beverly Hills and I thought collaboration would be wonderful in extending our partnership, it's a great place for hair and now it will also be a great place for makeup and brows," says Anastasia Soare. Juan Juan - Brentwood will offer Anastasia Beverly Hills full line of cosmetics, which will include eyebrow and color products.

"The area was in desperate need of a great salon like Juan Juan," says **Jennifer Jahanbigloo**. "We are thrilled to be welcomed so warmly into the community." <u>www.juanjuansalon.com</u>

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BeansTalk Biz Newsletter



Halle Berry (AP Photo/Matt Sayles)

Halle Berry, nominated for best actress, arrives for the *5th Annual BET Awards* on Tuesday, June 28, 2005, in Los Angeles. Berry carried an evening bag by **Daniel Swarovski**, a chocolate brown leather Oscar bag with large topaz jewel front and wrist strap.

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Dragon Quest

Quest For Dragons airs Thursday, August 4, 2005 at 8 p.m. 8 to 10 p. m. on The History Channel

The dragon is the best-known creature that never was.

Dragons explores how dragons have influenced virtually every culture throughout time... even killing real people by the thousands. Dragons are described in the Bible, they appear on coats of arms, they're carved in ancient temples, and still dance in street parades. Native Americans, Mesopotamian tribes, Chinese, Norwegians, Central American Indians, Japanese, Europeans: all conjure dragons with similar characteristics.

But if dragons spring from human imagination, how could isolated cultures invent the same beast? Why would so many people believe dragons are real, even today? It's beyond coincidence. Dragons have an unparalleled grip on people. Find out where dragons got their start, how they became powerful, lethal, ubiquitous, and inescapable.

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Swimwear Summer Survival



Tankini and Skirtini

[Having just purchased a suit similar to the one above, it made BeansTalk realize there may be readers interested in swimwear survival tips. We've recently discovered the benefits of the "swimdress," and now the "skirtini."]

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A Swimsuit Right for Body Type

by Ina Jackson, Christina Swimwear

Tip# 1

Get help from a professional. Choose a store with a wide variety of styles to try on and the staff to help you make the most (or least) of your figure.

Tip#2

The right swimsuit design can maximize, minimize or emphasize what you want it to. So take your time and try on lots of styles and sizes until you find the one that suits you best.

Tip#3

If the suit doesn't fit right it will never feel comfortable. Always start

with your dress size and move up a size if necessary.

Tip#4

Once you have a suit on, move in it! Lift your arms...bend...squat... twist...jump up and down. A swimsuit made with spandex will move with you. It hold its shape...and yours.

Tip#5

Bust Enhancer

- bright prints on the top of a suit will help equalize your figure.
- suits with an inner bra will help support and push up your bust.
- look for details at the bust shirring, buttons or clips will accentuate your bust.

Tip#6

Bust Minimizer

- a structured bra will give you more support and feel comfortable.
- try suits with more coverage at the bust and underarm to give you more freedom of movement.
- look for all over prints to draw the eye away from your bustline.

Tip#7

Waist Minimizer

- look for "tummy tamer". We add an extra panel to the tummy area to give you the support you require.
- princess seams or diagonal inserts can add shape to a straight waist.

Tip#8

Hip Minimizer

- suits with a skirted look cover key problem areas.
- dark colors on the bottom are great minimizers.
- contrasting leg insert will lengthen your body and reduce your hips.

Tip#9

You can never have too many swimsuits. So when you find one that fits right and looks great, buy it in another colour. When traveling you should have several suits so you can wash and dry out each suit beforeyou wear it again.

Tip#10

Show off your suit with pride. Model it for friends and family and let

them see the sun goddess that you are! <!--[if !vml]--><!--[endif]-->

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Miranda Otto Fashion Wire Daily/Grant Lamos IV

Otto Sparkles at "War" Premiere

Miranda Otto (*Eowyn* from "The Lord of the Rings") arrives for the premiere of her feature film 'War of the Worlds' in New York on Thursday, June 23, 2005. Otto walked the red carpet wearing earrings and a ring by fine jeweler H.Stern. Otto selected earrings from the **H**. **Stern** "*Autumn*" Collection: 18k yellow gold with 28 diamonds, \$1,700. On her hand she wore a ring from the "*Highlights*" collection: 1 Smoky guartz at 26.50 carats set in 18k noble gold, \$1,200.

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Good teeth

BeansTalk Note: We've Been Saying This All Along!

Straws may save soda lovers' teeth

Reuters

People who savor their soft drinks may save their teeth some wear and tear by using a strategically placed straw, according to a new report.

In excess, carbonated beverages, like other acidic drinks, can wear away the protective enamel on teeth, leading to tooth decay. While going easy on carbonated beverages is the best way to prevent tooth erosion, sipping them through a straw may offer some added protection.

The key, say dentists at Temple University in Philadelphia, is to place the straw near the back of the mouth so that the teeth aren't bathed in soda with every sip.

That advice is based on the cases of two teenagers, whose heavy soda drinking -- between 1 and 3 liters a day -- caused widespread tooth erosion. However, the pattern of tooth damage differed based on how they drank.

In one case, an 18-year-old man regularly downed his soft drinks from cans and cups, and his dental erosion was more extensive in the back teeth and on the right side of his mouth-where he had the habit of
holding his soda for a while before swallowing it.

In contrast, a 16-year-old girl who habitually sipped her soda through a straw developed extensive erosion in her front teeth. Since she normally placed her straw just inside her lips, these are teeth that would mainly be exposed to soft drink acids.

The cases suggest that using a straw -- as long as it's placed near the back of the mouth -- may lower the odds of tooth decay by limiting the contact between soda and teeth, according to Dr. Mohamed A. Bassiouny.

He and his colleague at Temple's School of Dentistry, Dr. Jie Yang, describe the two cases in the current issue of the journal General Dentistry.

"Your best option is to sip soft drinks and other beverages through a straw positioned toward the back of the mouth," Bassiouny said in a statement.

But, he added, making a habit out of drinking soda instead of water "may cause significant, irreversible long-term problems and damage."

Besides cutting back on soda and keeping straws handy, people should avoid drinking soda before bed, according to the Academy of General Dentistry. That's true even for conscientious brushers, as brushing the teeth right after having a soft drink can damage the acid-weakened enamel.

SOURCE: General Dentistry, May/June 2005.

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Tuesday, June 28, 2005



Jessica Alba: Did She Dodge That Bullet??

The Latest from the TomKat Rumor Mill

[FROM *BeansTalk*: This entire message was sent to **BeansTalk**. Meaning, **WE DIDN'T WRITE IT, THIS IS NOT OUR BREAKING STORY or SOURCE**. It's just really interesting. FYI, the *Independent Sources* link was removed within hours - the original source better be sure to check their credit and phone bills. You know they're on **THE LIST**. BTW, Someone else at *Warner Brothers* corroborated this rumor to **BeansTalk**.]

This is where the email begins:

"A friend of mine just got back from LA and heard this scoop about Tom & Katie from someone who works at Universal. The source said that they (Tom & Katie) have a five-year contract and he's paying her \$8 million. The engagement happened so fast because Rob Thomas' (Matchbox 20) wife caught Rob and and Tom in bed together and they rushed the engagement so that it would overshadow that scandal. Obviously, take it with a grain of salt.

Read below. This was just published.

Independent Sources

Independent Sources Confirms Existence of Tom Cruise/Rob Thomas Rumor

Independent Sources announced today that it has uncovered a new, previously undiscovered Tom Cruise rumor: **Tom Cruise** and **Matchbox Twenty's Rob Thomas** are lovers!

Independent Sources has hesitated writing about Tom Cruise/Katie Holmes for many reasons. First, there are other things going on in the world that, believe it or not, rank higher on the importance scale. Second, pretty much everything that can be said is being said.

However, someone (I'll call her Mistress of the Hollywood Rumor) Just walked into Insider's office with the following dish that I feel compelled to pass on. I did a quick check of Technorati and it wasn't there. So even if it is not true, it is at least original.

No doubt that anyone with an Internet connection has read about Tom Cruise being gay. According to rumor lore, he has had a long-time boyfriend in Chicago who is an Asian pilot for American Airlines. This is an accusation that Cruise and more importantly Cruise's many attorneys vehemently deny.

There have been many stories that supposedly corroborate his sexuality but never a smoking gun. Rumor mongers attribute this to the fact that Cruise goes to great lengths to cover his tracks. We are told that everyone around him signs extensive confidentiality contracts with enormous penalties for indiscretion. (Exhibit A: the 8-page confidentiality contract Cruise's housekeeper was forced to sign).

Such stories have been around for years and Cruise has evidently attempted to counter them with a series of high-profile heteronormative relationships. First, Nicole Kidman, then Penelope Cruz, and most recently Katie Holmes. In each instance, the "relationship" is actually a contract that gives the women a boost to their careers, a lot of money, and an elegant lifestyle.

Here is where this particular rumor gets interesting. Not long ago, Marisol, the wife of Matchbox Twenty's Rob Thomas (who has had to contend with his own rumors of bi-sexuality) found her husband in bed with Tom Cruise causing Cruise's people to shift into high gear.

First, Mrs. Rob Thomas was bought off for an undetermined sum.

Second, Cruise and his handlers set out to immediately find Cruise a girlfriend. Second-tier actresses were targeted. A list was drawn up with Jessica Alba (#1 pick) and three other girls who fell out for various reasons. Originally targeted (#3 I think) but later rejected as "undesirable" was rumor queen Lindsay Lohan. Way down at #5 on the list was Katie Holmes, but that was the one with whom they were able to strike a deal.

Once the contact was signed, photo ops were set up, leaks were made to the right places, and we've had celebrity relationship on steroids ever since.

One thing I will credit this rumor for is how it nicely explains Tom's behavior this past few months-including the couch jumping episode on Oprah. Cruise simply didn't have time for the Holmes rumors to circulate at its normal speed and he couldn't allow it to be second page news while the tabloids focused on Brad, Jennifer and Angelina. No, this relationship had to immediately become the "it" topic.

Well, that's how we hear it.

[A reminder to those of you reading this who have trouble differentiating truth from unsubstantiated rumor: at this point this is all conjecture. All we are doing is confirming the existence of a rumor that the Mistress tells us is all over Hollywood.] We should also add that this story is a bit of a departure for us. If you are interested in keeping up to date on it and other celebrity gossip, we suggest Defamer.

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End of e-mail. Judge for yourself. Something tells **BeansTalk** that it wasn't the smartest move to leave uber-flack **Pat Kingsley**.

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Liz Phair

Phair Back on Tour

Liz Phair will preview songs from her upcoming album, *Somebody's Miracle*, in an acoustic tour this summer. Appearing at small venues in eight U.S. cities, Phair will also perform material from Exile In Guyville, Whip-Smart, whitechocolatespaceegg and her 2003 self-titled album.

Phair will play *Lollapalooza* in Chicago on July 23, 2005 before kicking off the acoustic tour in Boston on July 26th. Highlights include two nights at Joe's Pub in New York (August 1st and 2nd) and three nights at Los Angeles' Troubadour (August 10th, 11th and 12th).

Somebody's Miracle, produced by John Alagia (Dave Matthews Band, John Mayer, Jason Mraz) and John Shanks (Sheryl Crow, Chris Isaak, Melissa Etheridge), will be released by *Capitol Records* on October 4th. Phair recorded the album at The Village Studios in West Los Angeles.

"I wouldn't say it sounds like old Liz Phair, but it's definitely more banddriven than pop," Phair recently told *Spin*. "The last record had a lot more shebang in the production; this has a lot more emphasis on the songs."

Liz Phair - Summer Tour Dates

7/23 Chicago, IL Grant Park -Lollapalooza
7/26, 27 Boston, MA Paradise Rock Club
7/29, 30 Philadelphia, PA World Café
8/1, 2 New York, NY Joe's Pub
8/4, 5 Alexandria, VA Birchmere
8/10, 11 & 12 Los Angeles, CA Troubadour
8/16 Seattle, WA Crocodile Café
8/17 Portland, OR Doug Fir Lounge
8/18 San Francisco, CA Café Du Nord
8/19 San Francisco, CA Great American Music Hall

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The Dandy Warhols

Dandy Warhols' Latest

(New York, NY) - The Dandy Warhols will release their fifth album, *Odditorium or Warlords of Mars*, on September 13, 2005.

Named (at least partially) after the band's infamous Portland studio headquarters, Odditorium or Warlords of Mars finds the band venturing beyond the synthesized pop of 2003's Welcome to the Monkey House into new musical terrain, while frequently revisiting the stripped-down sound of their earlier years. The album was produced by frontman **Courtney Taylor-Taylor** with longtime band collaborator **Gregg Williams** and mixed by **Tchad Blake** (Elvis Costello, Latin Playboys, the Bad Plus) and **Taylor-Taylor**.

Opening with a tongue-in-cheek introduction from A&E host **Bill Kurtis**, the album is full of the band's trademark mix of rock hooks and sonic experimentalism, spanning turned-on drone rock, country blues, electronic pop and deep psychedelia.

Lead single "*Smoke It's*" video features the band performing the song in the Odditorium for 40 visibly impressed dogs.

The Dandy Warhols only live performance of the summer will be at Lollapalooza, to be held in Chicago's Grant Park on July 23 and 24, 2005. A North American fall tour will be announced shortly, along with an acoustic "*Suitcase Tour*" in which the band will play using everything they can fit into a single suitcase (besides acoustic guitars).

The Dandy Warhols can be also be seen as co-stars of **Ondi Timoner**'s documentary film **Dig!**, winner of the *Grand Jury Prize Documentary at the 2004 Sundance Film Festival*. The film, narrated by Taylor-Taylor, chronicles the uniquely dysfunctional relationship between the Dandies and their unpredictable friends the **Brian Jonestown Massacre**.

The Dandy Warhols, Odditorium Or Warlords Of Mars

- 1. Colder Than The Coldest Winter Was Cold
- 2. Love Is The New Feel Awful
- 3. Easy
- 4. All The Money or The Simple Life Honey
- 5. The New Country
- 6. Holding Me Up
- 7. Did You Make A Song With Otis
- 8. Everyone Is Totally Insane
- 9. Smoke It
- 10. Down Like Disco
- 11. There Is Only This Time
- 12. A Loan Tonight

The Dandy Warhols are:

Courtney Taylor-Taylor - vocals, guitars, keyboards, percussion Peter Holstrom - guitars, bells Zia McCabe - keyboards, bass, percussion, harmonica, vocals

Brent DeBoer - drums, bass, vocals

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Poppy Montgomery at the People's Choice Awards, January 2005

"Murder in the Hamptons'

Monday, July 11, 2005 at 9 p.m., Poppy Montgomery ("Without a Trace," "Bionde"), David Sutcliffe ("Happy Endings," "I'm with Her") and Shawn Christian ("Summerland," "Shopgirl") star in the Lifetime Original Movie, "Murder in the Hamptons," based on a true story of the high-profile murder of multi-millionaire Ted Ammon. The movie unfolds around his relationship with his volatile, estranged wife, her lover with a dubious past, and Ammon's murder.

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Virginia Madsen, Melinda Clarke REUTERS/Chris Pizzello

Actresses Virginia Madsen (L) and Melinda Clarke smile before the 6th Annual Hollywood Bowl Hall of Fame benefit concert in Los Angeles June 24, 2005. Country singer Trisha Yearwood, violinist Joshua Bell and the late Frank Sinatra were this year's inductees into the Hollywood Bowl Hall of Fame. Clarke is wearing a dress by designer Nicole Miller, a bronze crinkle taffeta strapless dress accented with fuchsia satin heels.

Posted by: NF / 6:50 AM

Monday, June 27, 2005



Paula Abdul (AP Photo/Rich Pedroncelli)

FROM AP:

Paula Abdul, right, urges lawmakers to approve a measure that would require stronger cleanliness standards for nail salons, during a committee hearing at the Capitol in Sacramento, Calif., Monday, June 27, 2005. Abdul told members of the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Develoment Committee, how she had gotten an infection while getting a manicure from a Studio City nail salon in 2004. If passed by the Legislature, the measure by Assemblyman Leland Yee, D-San Francisco, left, wouldstrengthen cleanliness standards and require nail salons to post conspicous notices when disciplinary action is taken against them.

Abdul: More Regulations for Nail Salons

"American Idol" judge **Paula Abdul** urged California legislators to force nail salons to clean up their act, testifying Monday about her yearlong health ordeal after an unsanitary manicure.

Abdul said a trip in April 2004 to a Studio City nail shop that used unclean equipment sent her in and out of the hospital, and made her the butt of late-night talk show jokes.

"Being a professional dancer, I'm no stranger to pain, but this time the pain was so excruciating that even my hair touching my thumb caused me to scream," Abdul told the California Senate Business and Professions Committee in Sacramento.

The legislation, sponsored by *Democratic Assemblyman Leland Yee*, would establish safety standards for manicure and pedicure equipment and rewrite state regulations mandating that nail shops follow sanitary practices.

Customers are vulnerable to bacterial infections if manicurists do not properly sanitize their tools between jobs.

The bill was expected to pass in committee. If that occurs, it would likely come before the full Senate sometime in the next two weeks.

"I was publicly humiliated," Abdul said in her closing statement. "That is why with an open heart and a selfless agenda, I implore you to pass this bill."

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Piglet, Pooh and Tigger

Sad day at Pooh Corner: The actors who provided the film voices of two classic Winnie the Pooh characters, Tigger and Piglet, have both died. In a sad coincidence, **Paul Winchell**, the voice of *Tigger*, who was also an accomplished ventriloquist and inventor, died on Friday in California at the age of 82. And John

Fielder, the actor behind *Piglet*, died on Saturday; he was 80. (*N.Y. Times*)

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Brando on the Block

A collection of kimono robes that belonged to **Marlon Brando**, which are part of an auction of Brando's personal property, are displayed during a press preview at Christie's auction house in New York, June 24, 2005. Christie's will auction over 320 lots of stage, screen and personal ephemera from the late movie star on June 30, 2005 that is expected to realize in excess of \$1,000,000. Also included: 1972 working script for the movie 'The Godfather,' an electric piano valued at \$1500, cowboy boots at \$500, a letter from Jack Keroac asking Brando to consider a role in his "On the Road," and many others.

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Sossi Collection Ring

Sossi: Gaining Celebrity Momentum

Daytime TV's **Ricky Paull Goldin** ('*Guiding Light*') hosted the *First Annual "Evening with the Daytime Stars*," to benefit the *Multiple Sclerosis Care Center of Greater New York*. The live auction was was held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. *The Sossi Collection* donated a 18K White Gold Ladies Pendant with 66 Brilliant Cut Stones weighing in at 0.41 carats. **Crystal Hunt** ('*Guiding Light*') was modeling the piece for all to see when she called out, "Daddy! Can you buy this for me? I want to wear it right now!" Dad responded with "Give someone else a chance, honey!" The winning bidder paid \$1,200.

The Sossi Collection was a part of Allure Magazine's Third Annual Allure Beauty Live! held in Central Park's Rumsey Playfield. Kelly Clarkson performed to an audience of more than 4,000 and was gifted with Sossi's signature 'wristlet' – a *Swarovski* crystal and stainless-steel bracelet with a burgundy leather band.

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