

You've Watched The Rest, Now Settle In For The Best: COMEDY CENTRAL's Fall Season Kicks Off On October 7 With All-New Series And Returning Favorites

New Original Series Premieres From "Secret Girlfriend" And "The Jeff Dunham Show"

NEW YORK, Sept. 29 -- Comedy is back in vogue and COMEDY CENTRAL remains the most stylish and steadfast provider out there for big laughs and great comedies. Viewers are about to be hit with an overload of the best in the genre with the launch of the all-comedy channel's new Fall Season beginning on October 7 at 10:00 p.m. From new series ("Secret Girlfriend," "The Jeff Dunham Show") to returning series ("South Park," "Live At Gotham," "Tosh.0," "Michael & Michael Have Issues") to new stand-up specials ("Nick Swardson: Seriously, Who Farted?") *COMEDY CENTRAL* is the place to be for the best in original comedy.

COMEDY CENTRAL's Fall Season premieres follows (additional details after the line-up):

Wednesday, October 7

- 10:00 p.m. "South Park" - season premiere
- 10:30 p.m. "Secret Girlfriend" - series premiere

Thursday, October 8

- 10:00 p.m. "Tosh.0" - new episodes

Sunday, October 11

- 10:00 p.m. "Nick Swardson: Seriously, Who Farted?" - COMEDY CENTRAL One-Hour Stand-up

Friday, October 16

- 12:00 a.m. "Live at Gotham" - season premiere

Wednesday, October 21

- 9:30 p.m. "Michael & Michael Have Issues" - season one encore

Thursday, October 22

- 9:00 p.m. "The Jeff Dunham Show" - series premiere

COMEDY CENTRAL's fall season kicks off with the king of the 10:00 p.m. comedy, Emmy(®)- juggernaut "*South Park*." After taking on the economic crisis, pirates and Kanye West earlier this year, the foul-mouthed fourth-graders of Matt Stone and Trey Parker's worldwide hit is fresh off *its fourth Emmy Award for Outstanding Animated Program* and back for its fall run *beginning on Wednesday, October 7 at 10:00 p.m.*

Immediately following "South Park" is the *series premiere of "Secret Girlfriend"* at 10:30 p.m. This ground-breaking original series is an up-close and very sexy look into the wild life of a single guy and his hard-partying friends as they balance life's greatest necessities: getting laid, getting drunk and getting famous on the Internet. "*Secret Girlfriend*" comes from FremantleMedia North America and breaks the fourth wall with a first-person format, making the viewer the central character in the irreverent life of a 20-something single guy, his two best friends and roommates and the two women in his life he's trying to keep secret from each other.

Also new this fall is "*The Jeff Dunham Show*," a half-hour comedy-reality show from Levity Entertainment starring ventriloquist-comedian *Jeff Dunham* which premieres on Thursday, October 22 at 9:00 p.m. Building upon the breakout success of his COMEDY CENTRAL stand-up specials, the most recent of which, "*Jeff Dunham's Very Special Christmas Special*," was the most-watched telecast in COMEDY CENTRAL history with 6.6 million viewers, "The Jeff Dunham Show" brings his beloved characters, including Walter, Peanut, Bubba J and Achmed the Dead Terrorist, to a live studio audience and also places them in real world scenarios with real people.

Web-savvy host Daniel Tosh returns with *all-new episodes of hit series "Tosh.0"* beginning Thursday, October 8 at 10:00 p.m. to give the low down on downloads, stories and people making noise on the Internet. "*Tosh.0*" features razor sharp humor and biting commentary from comedian *Daniel Tosh* and delves into all aspects of the Internet from the absolutely absurd to the incredibly ingenious in this weekly, topical series, highlighted by the popular segment "*Web Redemption*," which gives subjects of infamous viral videos (i.e. *Afro Ninja* and *Miss Teen South Carolina 2007*) a second chance to redeem themselves from the embarrassment with which they've become synonymous.

COMEDY CENTRAL's Fall Season will also include all-new stand-up from top-name comedians like Nick Swardson, Charlie Murphy, Rob Riggle, Judah Friedlander, Bobby Lee, Doug Benson, Jo Koy, Jim Jefferies and Paul F. Tompkins. The stand-up laughs begin on Sunday, October 11 at 10:00 p.m., when *Nick Swardson* takes the stage in an all-new COMEDY CENTRAL Original One-Hour Stand-up Special, "*Nick Swardson: Seriously, Who Farted?*" In his first hour-long special for COMEDY CENTRAL, Swardson lets it rip on stage as he explains how he wants to screw with movie trailers and the time he lost all of his money in Vegas - to a spider monkey. In addition, he hits on topics such as figure skating, ninjas, confusing suicide attempts, and, of course, cocky drunk girls, wasted party texts and alcohol poisoning.

Also entering the stand-up ring for a comedic jousting not to be matched is COMEDY CENTRAL's fourth season premiere of "*Live at Gotham*." Up-and-comers and household names join forces as each week a roster of rising stars perform at New York's Gotham Comedy Club. Join hosts *Charlie Murphy, Rob Riggle, Judah Friedlander, Bobby Lee, Doug Benson, Jo Koy, Jim Jefferies* and *Paul F. Tompkins* as they bring viewers the funny men and women of the future, all starting on Friday, October 16 at midnight.

Adding to all these new and returning series and specials, COMEDY CENTRAL will present an encore run of the summertime hit, "*Michael & Michael Have Issues*." The entire first season of "*Michael & Michael Have Issues*" is getting a special second run starting on Wednesday, October 21 at 9:30 p.m. with the first season premiere episode. "*Michael & Michael Have Issues*" stars *Michael Ian Black* and *Michael Showalter* in a new twist on narrative and sketch comedies that features the long-time comedic partners as the hosts of their own fictitious sketch show. Behind-the-scenes of the show-within-a-show, viewers get a first hand look at issues, both big and small, that the two misguided stars wrestle with as they confront their own issues of insecurity and jealousy as each attempts to undermine the other.

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