PUNK'D Reveals New Host DeStorm Power and Special Guest Host King Bach to Kick Off New Season on BET Joined by Amberia Allen and Ron G.

R&B POWERHOUSE K. MICHELLE SQUARES OFF WITH HER DRIVER ON THE SEASON PREMIERE OF PUNK'D AIRING TUESDAY, AUGUST 18 AT 10:30 PM ET/PT

LOS ANGELES--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Today, BET Networks unveiled the new cast of returning iconic prank series, <u>"PUNK'D"</u>, which premieres **Tuesday**, **August 18 at 10:30 PM ET/PT**. Comedian and social media star, **DeStorm Power**, leads the team as host, while digital media powerhouse, **King Bach**, steps in as special guest host to pull off the funniest capers. Comedians and actors, **Amberia Allen** and **Ron G.**, round out the cast as the featured "players" who directly interact with the unsuspecting celeb "marks."

The cast names have been a closely guarded secret during production, as the team pulled off outrageous stunts on Hollywood's biggest celebrities. Comedian, musician and social media superstar **DeStorm Power** hosts this season, adding his comedic prowess and creativity which set the tone for what's sure to be a hilariously entertaining season. DeStorm was recently nominated for a 2015 Streamy Award and was previously awarded an American Music Award and a YouTube Music Award. Similarly, digital media superstar **King Bach** (aka Andrew Bachelor) has risen to fame with his hilarious sketch comedy viral videos on YouTube, and is one of Vine's most popular performers, counting over 13 million followers. King Bach has appeared on shows such as "Burn Notice," "House of Lies," and MTV's "Wild 'N' Out." No stranger to BET, **Amberia Allen** is a rising star who recently hosted "PS: The BET Post Show" and co-hosted BET's pop culture-skewering viral clip show, "The XPeriment." Finally, "player" **Ron G.**, first made a splash as a finalist on Bill Bellamy's "Who's Got Jokes" and season six of NBC's "Last Comic Standing." He has also appeared on "Chelsea Lately's" round table and "The Arsenio Hall Show" as featured comedian.

The season premiere kicks off with multi-platinum superstar **Chris Brown**, who encounters a mysterious lost child while shooting a video with French Montana, and R&B powerhouse **K. Michelle**, who takes an Uber ride from hell! Additional "punks" include **Rosario Dawson**, **Zendaya**, **Trey Songz**, **Russell Simmons**, **A\$AP Rocky**, **Miguel** and more.

For video sneak peeks and first looks of <u>**PUNK'D**</u> visit the official page at <u>BET.com/PUNKD</u>. Viewers can also find series updates on Facebook by liking the fan page at <u>Facebook.com/PUNKD</u>. Also, join the conversation on Twitter by using #PUNKDBET and follow the show for all updates & special surprises @PUNKDBET; on Instagram @PUNKDBET.

For more information on "PUNK'D" and other BET Programming log onto www.BETpressroom.com.

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