



THE PALEY CENTER FOR MEDIA

The Paley Center for Media Selects *Prison Break*, *Riverdale*, *Speechless*, and the New ABC Musical Event, *Dirty Dancing*, as Part of 2017 PaleyLive LA Spring Season

Selected Programs to Feature Screenings of Premiere Episodes, Intimate Discussions, and Audience Q&As

BEVERLY HILLS, CA – March 7, 2017 –The Paley Center for Media in Beverly Hills today announced it has selected four outstanding new television programs to be featured in the 2017 PaleyLive Spring Season. These four star-studded PaleyLive LA events highlight the cast and creative teams of new and highly anticipated series including: FOX’s new thrilling event series *Prison Break*; the new groundbreaking ABC comedy series *Speechless*; the CW’s teen soap *Riverdale*; and the ABC musical of *Dirty Dancing*.

PaleyLive programs are known for offering television fans the rare opportunity to engage with the cast and creative teams of their favorite programs in exclusive events held at the beautiful Paley Center for Media in Beverly Hills. All PaleyLive programs are selected by the Paley Center to not only expand society’s understanding of the cultural, creative, and social significance of television, but also for their ability to educate and entertain the public.

“The programs selected for our PaleyLive events represent the best television has to offer and tackle today’s most compelling themes and issues,” said **Maureen J. Reidy**, President and CEO of The Paley Center for Media. “The programs in our PaleyLive Spring Season run the gamut from thriller to mystery, from romance to the challenges facing a special needs family. Each one promises to spark the entertaining and informative conversations that have made PaleyLive programs the premier experience for both the public and industry professionals.”

The full PaleyLive LA Spring schedule is as follows:

***Prison Break*: Premiere Screening & Conversation Wednesday, March 29 at 7:00 pm**

In the new nine-part event series *Prison Break*, original series stars are reunited for an all-new adventure spanning the globe and featuring the signature thrills and cliff-hangers that were hallmarks of the Golden Globe-nominated original series when it aired on FOX from 2005-2009. The Paley Center welcomes back members of the cast & creative team including **Wentworth Miller** (Michael Scofield); **Dominic Purcell** (Lincoln Burrows); **Sarah Wayne Callies** (Sara Tancredi); **Robert Knepper** (T-Bag); **Paul T. Scheuring**, Creator & Executive Producer; **Vaun Wilmott**, Executive Producer; and Executive Producer, **Michael Horowitz**, who last appeared on the Paley stage in 2008; for this special screening and conversation in advance of the broadcast premiere on April 4 at 9:00 pm ET/PT.

***Riverdale*: Screening & Conversation Thursday, April 27 at 7:00 pm**

Riverdale, the CW and Warner Bros. Television’s bold and addictive take on the iconic characters from the Archie Comics, has captured the attention of audiences and critics alike who have anointed it one of TV’s newest breakout hits. These 21st century versions of Archie, Betty Veronica, and Jughead inhabit a world where darkness and danger bubbles just underneath their town’s wholesome façade. The Paley Center welcomes the talented ensemble cast and creative team for screening and conversation including: **KJ Apa** (Archie Andrews); **Lili Reinhart** (Betty Cooper); **Camila Mendes** (Veronica Lodge); **Madelaine Petsch** (Cheryl Blossom); **Marisol Nichols** (Hermione Lodge); **Mädchen Amick** (Alice Cooper); **Ashleigh Murray** (Josie McCoy); **Sarah Schechter**, Executive Producer;

Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa, Executive Producer; **Jon Goldwater**, Executive Producer; and additional guests to be announced.

An Evening with *Speechless*
Tuesday, May 9 at 7:00 pm

Speechless, ABC, ABC Studios, and Twentieth Century Fox Television's smart and funny family comedy, has won the affection of audiences and critics alike becoming one of hits of the new TV season. *Speechless* has also won well-deserved praise for its sensitive and in many ways groundbreaking portrayal of a family dealing with cerebral palsy. The Paley Center is delighted to welcome the gifted ensemble cast and creative team including **Minnie Driver** (Maya DiMeo); **John Ross Bowie** (Jimmy DiMeo); **Mason Cook** (Ray DiMeo); **Micah Fowler** (JJ DiMeo); **Kyla Kenedy** (Dylan DiMeo); **Cedric Yarbrough** (Kenneth); **Scott Silveri**, Creator & Executive Producer; **Melvin Mar**, Executive Producer; and **Jake Kasdan**, Executive Producer; for a premiere screening and conversation.

Dirty Dancing: The New ABC Musical Event
Premiere Screening & Conversation
Thursday, May 18 at 6:30 pm

In celebration of the 1987 movie classic's 30th anniversary, *Dirty Dancing*, the global pop-cultural phenomenon, becomes an all-new three-hour filmed musical event with a stellar cast and creative team this season on ABC, produced by Lionsgate and Allison Shearmur Productions. The tender romance of Frances 'Baby' Houseman and Johnny Castle set during an unforgettable summer vacation in the Catskills is sure to delight a new generation of fans as well as ignite fond memories from the original classic. *Dirty Dancing* will feature the memorable songs from the original movie plus additional songs from the era that will showcase the dynamic musical talents of its ensemble cast. The Paley Center will present a premiere screening followed by a sure-to-be lively conversation with members of the cast including **Abigail Breslin**, **Bruce Greenwood**, **Nicole Scherzinger**, **Colt Prattes**, and **Katey Sagal**, in advance of the ABC Television Network TV premiere on May 24.

As part of the many benefits of Paley Center Membership, Paley Center Supporting and Patron Members will have the opportunity to purchase tickets starting March 7. Tickets go on sale for Paley Center Individual Members on March 8, and to the general public on March 9. To learn more about other benefits of Paley Center Membership, which includes the opportunity to experience more intimate events with today's most famous television stars and other noteworthy personalities, please visit paleycenter.org/join-us.

For more information, panel updates, and to purchase tickets please visit paleycenter.org.

About The Paley Center for Media

The Paley Center for Media, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with locations in New York and Los Angeles, leads the discussion about the cultural, creative, and social significance of television, radio, and emerging platforms for the professional community and media-interested public. Drawing upon its curatorial expertise, an international collection, and close relationships with the leaders of the media community, the Paley Center examines the intersections between media and society. The general public can access the collection and participate in programs that explore and celebrate the creativity, the innovations, the personalities, and the leaders who are shaping media. Through the global programs of its Media Council and International Council, the Paley Center also serves as a neutral setting where media professionals can engage in discussion and debate about the evolving media landscape. Previously known as The Museum of Television & Radio, the Paley Center was founded in 1975 by William S. Paley, a pioneering innovator in the industry. For more information, please visit paleycenter.org

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