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HBO takes viewers on new ‘GOT’ adventure in ‘House of the Dragon’

By Dana Simpson
TV Media

While winter may be coming (though hopefully not for a while yet), it’s not the Starks who are currently top of mind for “Game of Thrones” fans. More than three years since author George R.R. Martin’s original TV series ended, and nearly as long since a spinoff was announced (October 2019), the newest addition to the GOT franchise begins.

“House of the Dragon” premieres Sunday, Aug. 21, on HBO and HBO Max.

Set approximately 200 years before the events of “Game of Thrones” — take place, “House of the Dragon” — hereby shortened to “HOTD” — for the sake of brevity — is classified as a prequel. That said, it doesn’t stray too far from the original material as fans of Martin’s book series might be able to attest. “HOTD,” which centers on House Targaryen and its lengthy rule over Westeros, is based on Martin’s non-vellas, “The Princess and the Queen” and “The Rogue Prince,” as well as his full-length (736-page) historical novel “Fire & Blood,” all of which stand separate from (but are related to) his “A Song of Ice and Fire” series that inspired HBO’s “GOT.”

Martin is once again behind the adaptation of his story for television, as Ryan Condal (“Colony”), who serves as showrunner on the production. While working together on the new series, Martin took to his blog to praise Condal and his decisions regarding “HOTD.”

“I’ve now watched rough cuts of nine of the 10 episodes and I continue to be impressed,” Martin wrote. “The acting, the directing and the writing are first-rate….I think Ryan Condal and his writers made good choices. Even some improvements. (Jokingly, Martin added, "Here’s, I know, but being the author, I am allowed to say so."

As for the plot of the series, fans can expect a lot more than just dragons — although, yes, there will be many of those onscreen, as is evidenced by the official HBO trailer. “HOTD” kicks off around 103 AC (the “AC” stands for “After Conquest,” the time when Aegon the Conqueror flew across the ocean with his wives/sisters to take Westeros by the force of his dragons). In 103 AC, the Seven Kingdoms are united under one rulling faction, House Targaryen, for the very first time and have been this way for just over a century. Of course, diehard Martin fans will know that House Targaryen’s reign only lasts for another 177 years or so at this point.

Thus the story begins.

The new HBO series aims to cover the events leading from 103 AC to the iconic Dance of the Dragons, a battle between members of the Targaryen family that tore the dynasty and the Seven Kingdoms apart and led to the extinction of the dragon species as a whole — until Daenerys (Emilia Clarke, “Last Christmas,” 2019) comes along a couple of decades later in “GOT,” that is.

And even though Clarke will not be starring in “HOTD,” due to Daenerys’s birth occurring much later in the “GOT” timeline, there is sure to be no shortage of pale, blond-haired, blue-eyed dragon lovers for fans to enjoy.

Chief among them, quite literally, is King Viserys Targaryen, played by Paddy Considine (“The World’s End,” 2013). Chosen by the lords of Westeros as the kingdom’s newest king, Viserys is described as a “warm, kind and decent man” who “wishes to carry forward his grand-father’s legacy.” While, in another story, these might be admirable traits, this is the “GOT” universe, where “decent” has very little place.

Next in line — though equally as blond — are Matt Smith (“Doctor Who”) and Emma D’Arcy (“Truth Seekers”) as Prince Daemon and Princess Rhaenyra. While Daemon, the king’s little brother, is described as a “peerless warrior and dragon rider (who) possesses the true blood of the dragon,” Rhaenyra, were she not born female, would likely have Daenor matched on all counts.

Oliveia Cooke in “House of the Dragon”
Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives

Guy Fieri searches for the country’s best real-deal diners and down-home eats in this new episode. He travels from coast to coast and everywhere in between to try some of America’s favorite recipes.

The Rehearsal

Nathan Fielder stars in the final episode of this comedy series' first season. Fielder gives ordinary people the chance to live out a dress rehearsal of their lives, helping them to prepare for the big moments without any of the real-world consequences.

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**NATIONALS**

**WGBH 3** 3:30 pm

Coverage of the NHRA's 2022 Nationals airs as part of the Camping World Drag Racing Series, sponsored by Lucas Oil. Live from Brainerd International Raceway in Brainerd, Minn., the Pro Mod series returns to town for its second straight appearance.

**90 Day Fiancé**

**TNT 8** 8:00 pm

Season 9 of this hit reality series that spawned multiple popular spinoffs continues in another new episode. Four American women welcome their international partners to the U.S. and the pair live together for three months before they marry.

**Janelle James hosts "The Final Straw"**

**Tales of the Walking Dead**

**AMC 7** 9:00 pm

The second episode of this new anthology spinoff series from the Walking Dead universe airs tonight. This new episode, focusing on characters Blair (Parker Posey) and Gina (Ilitian Bell), features a fast-paced, reality-twisting buddy-action appearance.

**The Final Straw**

**WXXI 1** 10:00 pm

Janelle James hosts another episode of this new, larger-than-life physical comedy game show. Four teams of contestants face off to combat tremendous towering tips, hoping to be the last team standing to take on the Mega Stack and win a cash prize.
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WHAT’S NEW ON PRIME
“Samaritan” (2022)
Take to the streets for a crime-fighting adventure with the new Prime original action movie “Samaritan,” premiering on the platform Friday, Aug. 26. For years, Joe Smith (Sylvester Stallone, “Rocky,” 1976) protected the streets of Granite City under the guise of his super-powered vigilante alter ego, Samaritan, but when a fiery warehouse battle with his rival, Nemesis, ended in disaster, the public assumed his hero perished in the blaze. Some optimistic fans, including Joe’s curious 13-year-old neighbor, Sam Cleary (Javon "Wanna" Walton, "The Umbrella Academy"), still believe Samaritan is still alive and well and living under the radar. Convinced that his mysterious and reclusive neighbor is really the legendary vigilante and with crime on the rise, Sam makes it his mission to pull Samaritan out of hiding and save the city from ruin. Directed by Julius Avery ("The Expanse"), Madalina Anea ("Exodus to Shanghai," 2015) and Daniel Nuta ("Adela").

WHAT’S NEW ON HULU
“Hostile Territory” (2022)
Follow along with a story of perseverance and family in the new western action-adventure film “Hostile Territory,” premiering Wednesday, Aug. 24, on Hulu. Finally released after the end of the Civil War, former prisoners of war Jack Calgrove (Brian Presley, "Touchback," 2011) returns home to learn that his wife has died and his children, presumed parents, have been sent away on an orphan train, crossing old enemy lines as it heads into Missouri. Determined to move heaven and earth to be reunited with his family, Calgrove and a group of determined allies race to intercept the orphan train before all hope is lost. Directed and written by Presley, this Wild West adventure is based on a true story. The film also stars Pilou Asbaek ("Ghost in the Shell," 2017), Martin Starr ("Silicon Valley"), Dascha Polanco ("Orange Is the New Black"), Moises Arias ("The King of Staten Island," 2020), Sophia Tatum ("The Fate of the Furious," 2017), Shaan Merchant ("Marvel's Spider-Man," 2018), Jarel Odrick ("Ballers") and Michael Aaron Milligan ("Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri," 2017).

“Watcher” (2022)
Sleep with one eye open: the new psychological horror film “Watcher” makes its streaming debut Friday, Aug. 26, on Prime Video via Shudder. Moving to Bucharest, Romania, for his husband’s new marketing job, young American woman Julia (Maika Monroe, "The Stranger") is focused on settling into a new city and trying to learn the language. But when she notices a man frequently staring at her from an adjacent building, she begins to fear that he may be a local serial killer. Paranoid and desperately afraid that she’s being stalked, Julia does everything she can to protect herself and convince those around her that she’s not imagining it all. Based on the original screenplay by Zack Ford ("Girls' Night Out," 2009), "Watcher" is directed and written for the screen by Chloe Okuno ("V/H/S/94," 2021). The film also stars Karl Glusman ("Love," 2015), Burn Gorman ("The Expanse"), Madalina Anea ("Exodus to Shanghai," 2015) and Daniel Nuta ("Adela").

WHAT’S NEW ON DISNEY+
“Black-ish” - Season 8
Say a final farewell to the Johnson family when the eighth and final season of "Black-ish" joins the Disney+ streaming lineup Wednesday, Aug. 24. The series follows parents Andre’ "Dre" (Anthony Anderson, "Law & Order") and Rainbow Johnson (Tracee Ellis Ross, "Girlfriends") as they raise their four children, Zoey (Yara Shahidi, "Grown-ish"); Junior (Marcus Scribner, "Dragons: The Nine Realms"); Jack (Miles Brown, "Ar- cane") and Diane (Marsai Martin, "Little,"); and Bow (Tracee Ellis Ross, "Girlfriends") and bow to the world. Directed and written by Laurie Nutter, this Wild West adventure is based on a true story. The film also stars Matt McCoy ("Tom Clancy’s Jack Ryan"); Brad Leland ("Friday Night Lights"); Breia Haywood ("Silver Linings Playbook"); 2012, Lew Temple ("Murder at Yellowstone City," 2022); Craig Tate ("Greyhound"); 2020; Tom Dragnet ("Treasure Valley," 2022); Cooper North ("The Great Alaskan Race," 2019); Scott L. Pepe ("Hatchlings"); Emily Shenault ("Get Gone," 2019); Emma Presley ("The Great Alaskan Race," 2019); Lorna Larkin ("Close Your Eyes," 2019) and newcomer Jackson Presley.

WHAT’S NEW ON NETFLIX
“Me Time” (2022)
Take some well-deserved time to yourself and settle in with the new adventure comedy “Me Time,” premiering Friday, Aug. 26, on Netflix. With his wife and kids away for the weekend, stay-at-home dad Sonny (Kevin Hart, "Central Intelligence") finds himself with some "me time" for the first time in years. Reconnecting with his former best friend, Huckleberry "Huck" (Mark Wahlberg, "In Treatment"); Sonny is pulled into a wild weekend that nearly upends his whole life. Directed and written by John Hamburg ("The Unicorn"), the film is produced by Hamburg, Hart and Bryan Smiley ("Celebrity Game Face"). The film also stars Regina Hall ("Nine Perfect Strangers"), Jimmy O. Yang ("Space Force"), Luis Gerardo Méndez ("Narcos: Mexico"), Tahlia Mowry ("Smart Guy"), Carlo Rota ("The Boondock Saints," 1999), Melanie Minichino ("T.O.T.S."); Thomas Ochoa ("God Save the Queens," 2022), Deborah S. Craig ("The Blacklist"), Ilias Isorelys Paulino ("The Sex Lives of College Girls"), Chau Long ("PEN15"), Che Tafari ("Rel"); Kieran Roberts ("Up Country," 2021) and Kayden Alexander Koshelev ("Search Party").

“Queer Eye: Brazil” - Season 1
The Fab Five is taking Brazil! The newest iteration of Netflix’s hit "Queer Eye" revival, "Queer Eye: Brazil," premieres on the streamer Wednesday, Aug. 24. Heading to a whole new continent with five new lifestyle experts, "Queer Eye" continues to change the lives of deserving heroes around the world. The newest "Fab Five" include well-being expert Fred Nicolau, design expert Guto Requena, style expert Rico Benozzati, culture expert Luca ScarPELLi and beauty expert Yohan Nicolas. As they provide support, guidance, resources and expertise, the group helps lead each lucky hero through a total life transformation in this uplifting series. "Queer Eye: Brazil" is the second international spinoff of the Primetime Emmy- winning American series, behind the recently released "Queer Eye: Germany" (also available to stream exclusively on Netflix).
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40. Vision: Prefix
41. “Terrible” czar
42. Wall St. debut
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44. Religious sch.
45. Full house sign

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By Michelle Rose
TV Media

**Gilded Girls:** "Good Girls" actress Christina Hendricks is also widely known for her role in AMC’s landmark historical drama series, "Mad Men," which was set in the 1950s and ‘60s. But for her next TV project, the six-time Emmy nominee will have to channel the spirit of a completely different era: the Gilded Age.

Hendricks has boarded Apple TV+'s new, as yet untitled, eight-episode series inspired by "The Buccaneers," Pulitzer Prize-winning author Edith Wharton’s final novel.

Apple TV+ describes the drama, which is currently in production in Scotland, as follows: "Girls with money, men with power. New money, old secrets. A group of fun-loving young American girls explode into the tightly corseted London season of the 1870s, kicking off an Anglo-American culture clash as the stiff upper lip is infiltrated by a refreshing disregard for centuries of tradition. Sent to secure husbands and titles, the buccaneers’ hearts are set on much more than that, and saying 'I do' is just the beginning."

Hendricks will play the role of Mrs. St. George, mother to buccaneers Nan (played by Kristine Froseth, "Looking for Alaska") and Penny (played by Aubri Ibrag, "Dive Club"). Also in the cast are Josie Totah ("Saved by the Bell"), Zach McGowan ("The Flash"), and Richard Dreyfuss ("Murder at Yellowstone City").

**Christina Hendricks of "Mad Men" to star in new period series**

The network’s longest-standing Arrowverse show and one of its most-watched, "The Flash," is officially coming to an end, with its upcoming ninth season, which begins production next month and is set to air in 2023, will be its last. It will be the series’ shortest season, too, with just 13 episodes to give Grant Gustin’s ("Arrow") Scarlet Speedster a proper send-off.

"Nine years of saving Central City while taking audiences on an emotional journey full of heart, humor and spectacle," said executive producer/showrunner Eric Wallace ("Teen Wolf") said in a statement. "So many amazing people have given their talents, time and love to bring this wonderful show to life each week. So, as we get ready to honor the show’s incredible legacy with our exciting final chapter, I want to say thank you to (and our phenomenally cast, writers, producers and crew over the years who helped make 'The Flash' such an unforgettable experience for audiences around the world."

It’s disappointing news to fans, to be sure, but the ninth season is also a bit of a gift as the series was expected to end after eight. CW ended up renewing "The Flash" for a ninth season after Gustin and co-star Candice Patton ("Guest," 2014) signed on for one more year (Gustin did cap his involvement to 15 episodes, however, hence the shorter season).

At this rate, one has to wonder how much original programming will be left on CW after the 2022-23 season. The network has now canceled more shows than it has ordered or renewed, and it continues to cut its roster of scripted originals amid a majority ownership sale.

**Everything Showtime:** The duo behind this year’s indie box office hit "Everything Everywhere All at Once" is headed to Showtime.

Daniel Scheinert and Daniel Kwan — collectively known as Daniels — are set to direct and executive produce a new, autobiographical comedy pilot for Showtime. Titled "Mason," the half-hour pilot is being touted as "a surrealist comedy about a quiet nameless Helen, often mis-

**NEW ON VIDEO**

**Murder at Yellowstone City**

Following the decline of the former gold rush boomtown of Yellowstone City, Montana, residents have fallen on hard times. However, when prospector Dunigan (McGowan) finally strikes gold and revives the town’s hope, things look as though they could finally turn around. When Dunigan is found murdered the day following his discovery, Sheriff Ambrose (Byrne) only has one suspect in mind: a poor soul who, by sheer coincidence, wandered into town on the same day, freed slave Cicero (Mustafa). As the town comes together to solve a senseless murder, tumultuous pasts and secrets are revealed.

**Nitinam**

When social outcast and intellectually disabled young adult Nitiram (Landry Jones) is refused a surfboard by his mother (J. Davis), he begins mowing neighborhood lawns in suburban Tasmania to earn money. Mowing the lawn of a wealthy former actress named Helen (E. Davis), the two become an unlikely pair, joined together by their perceived slights in life. When a mysterious death befalls Helen, she leaves her vast fortune to Nitiram, but chaos, trauma and despair soon follow.

**Hot Seat**

Hackeuren-cybersecurity expert Orlando Friar’s (Dillon) life takes a dramatic and deadly turn when he finds a bomb strapped under his office chair. He is soon tasked with using his hacker skills to break into banking institutions and steal digital funds or else face the unimaginable: his daughter’s murder. Friar’s only hope to get out of this situation alive is explosives expert Wallace Reed (Gibson), who must navigate a booby-trapped building to save Friar and his daughter and put an end to a criminal’s reign of terror.

**Isaiah Mustafa and Richard Dreyfuss in "Murder at Yellowstone City"**
Below Deck: Mediterranean

The interior team has disagreements about their priorities in a new episode of this reality series. Meanwhile, Capt. Sandy and the deck crew attempt a tricky night docking, Tasha breaks some shocking news and Kyle deals with an aching personal issue.

Marisa Abela stars in “Industry”

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**TUESDAY BEST BETS**

**sMothered**

8:00 pm

A new episode of this reality series follows the shockingly close relationships between several mothers and daughters. From matching plastic surgery to sharing bath water, partying and more, these duos redefine the phrase “like mother, like daughter.”

**Big Bad Budget Battle**

10:00 pm

Host Ree Drummond sends the home cooks to the market to buy everything they need for a day’s worth of meals on a budget of only $30 in a new episode of this fresh cooking competition. They cook up a budget brunch and a hometown dinner using leftovers.

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**TUESDAY EVENING AUGUST 23, 2022**

**BROADCAST**

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**BET**

1:00 am

Host Bryan Gumbel hosts this monthly investigative sports news magazine. Featuring in-depth reports, correspondents Mary Carillo, Bernard Goldberg, Soledad O'Brien, Andrea Kremer, Jon Frankel and Gumbel himself cover all the latest in sports news.

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**Orphans of Hip-Hop**

5:00 pm

This docuseries delves into the inspiring origin stories of some of hip-hop’s most iconic stars. While each star tells their story from the very beginning to the present, they reflect on the challenges they faced and the moments that shaped them.
The Challenge: USA

T.J. Lavin hosts this unique series that pits fan-favorite reality stars against each other in a battle of strength, determination, and wit for a cash prize. Former competitors from “Love Island,” “Big Brother,” “The Amazing Race” and “Survivor” compete.

Gordon Ramsay hosts “MasterChef”

The Real Housewives of Dubai

After Lesa and Ayan say goodbye to a loved one in this new episode, Sara arranges a once-in-a-lifetime trip to Ras Al Khaimah for the ladies. While the group experiences fun and drama, the drama is brewing just beneath the surface.

Bad Hair Day

Dermatologists Dr. Angie Phipps, Dr. Isha Lopez and Dr. Meena Singh help desperate patients with their hair woes in this brand-new reality series. They meet William, who lost his hair in a fire, and Shanae, who suffers from bald spots.
Big Brother

⑨ WFMY 9:00 pm

Julie Chen Moonves hosts another episode of this hit reality series. A group of strangers scheme, form alliances and instigate rivalries while they live together in one house. As they compete for a cash prize, their every move is recorded on camera.

Accused: Guilty or Innocent

⑳ A&E 9:00 pm

Told from the perspective of people who have been accused of a serious crime, this fascinating series allows them to explain how the charge has affected their lives, relationships and livelihoods, whether or not they actually committed the crime.

Julie Chen Moonves hosts “Big Brother”

Dr. Pimple Popper

⑧ TLC 9:00 pm

A new supersized edition of this medical reality series features new facts and footage. Dr. Lee meets Elaine, who refers to the growth on her love handle as her “third breast.” Also, Jessica has a cyst near her eye that could be too dangerous to remove.

It’s CompliPlated

⑥ Food 10:00 pm

Two Southern girls with tricky eating preferences join host Tabitha Brown and Maneet Chauhan on the judging panel in this new episode. The four competing chefs compete to bring out the comforting taste of the South in a plant-based feast.
Sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9.
Solution on page 16.
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TAKE 5
Use the clues above and beside the grid to fill in the squares

SCREEN SCRAMBLE
Unscramble the letters for each word to reveal five movies and TV shows. Then, rearrange the circled letters to discover the actor who has appeared in all five.

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BLACKOUT
BATES Motel
VANITY FAIR
SLOW HORSES
HOUSE OF THE DRAGON