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Murray Bartlett, Jolene Purdy, Natasha Rothwell, Christie Volkmer and Lukas Gage as seen in "The White Lotus"

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A monthly column by Kyla Brewer

Tropical comedy ‘The White Lotus’ premieres on HBO

By Kyla Brewer
TV Media

A after months of sticking close to home, it’s time for a holiday. For those of us who can’t afford a five-star luxury resort, a new comedy offers a look at life in paradise. Well, almost paradise anyway.

The staff of a luxury tropical resort welcome affluent guests in the social satire “The White Lotus,” premiering Sunday, July 11, on HBO. As the miniseries follows various guests and staff members over the course of a week, it quickly becomes clear that their picture-perfect lives are anything but.

Series creator Mike White also directed and wrote all six episodes of the limited series. He’s known primarily for writing the screenplays for “School of Rock” (2003), “Nacho Libre” (2006) and “Chuck & Buck” (2000), but this isn’t White’s first outing with HBO. White was the co-creator of the comedy-drama “ Enlightened,” which earned a Golden Globe nomination for Best Television Series - Musical or Comedy, so the folk at the cable giant seem happy to welcome him back into the HBO fold with “The White Lotus.”

“We couldn’t be happier to collaborate with him again on yet another hilarious and perceptive piece that exposes the complexities of life and humanity itself,” Francesca Orsi, co-head of drama, said in an official release about the series.

“The White Lotus” features an ensemble cast that includes seasoned veterans and talented up-and-comers...

Australian actor Murray Bartlett leads the way as resort manager Armond, who, after experiencing a sudden trauma, begins to spiral downward. Bartlett may be best known from his role as Dom in the HBO series “Looking” and the subsequent film “Looking: The Movie,” and he was recently seen in the Netflix minival “Tales of the City.” His other credits include the television series “Limitless” and “Nashville.”

Fans of “Nashville” will also recognize Connie Britton for her starring role as country singer Rayna Jaymes in that drama. She’s cast in a whole new light in “The White Lotus” as Nicole Mossbacher, a successful executive who comes to the resort with her family. Britton is also known for NBC’s “Friday Night Lights” and her role in FX’s “American Horror Story,” for which she earned an Emmy nod. More recently, Britton was nominated for a Golden Globe for her work in Bravo’s crime anthology series “Dirty John.”

Steve Zahn co-stars in “The White Lotus” as Nicole’s husband, Mark, who struggles to come to terms with an embarrassing health issue and an inferiority complex. A prolific actor in film and television, Zahn is known for everything from children’s movies such as “Stuart Little” (1999) and “Diary of a Wimpy Kid” (2010) to action flicks “Sahara” (2005) and “The War for the Planet of the Apes” (2017). In 2020, he won Best Actor at the Tribeca Film Festival for the drama film “Cowboys.”

Nicole and Mark visit the resort with their children, one of whom, a socially awkward teenage gamer Quinn, is portrayed by Fred Hechinger (“Eight Grade”). The young actor has already worked with some of the biggest names in Hollywood, including Tom Hanks in “News of the World” (2020) and Amy Adams, Gary Oldman and Julianne Moore in Netflix’s “The Woman in the Window” (2021). Quinn’s sister, Olivia (Sydney Sweeney, “Euphoria”), brings her friend, Paula (Brittany O’Grady, “Little Voice”), a fellow college sophomore, along as well. Sweeney appeared on the big screen in Quentin Tarantino’s “Once Upon a Time... in Hollywood” (2019) and has starred in such programs as “Nocturne,” “The Handmaid’s Tale” and “Everything Sucks!” Up-and-comer O’Grady, meanwhile, has credits in the Fox series “Star” and the Blumhouse production “Black Christmas” (2019).
Let's Make a Deal

Christina on the Coast

After she already completed a lovely kitchen renovation, Christina returns to redesign her couple’s upstairs wardrobe. This time, however, things are a bit harder as she has to blend the clients’ different styles and plan her own daughter’s birthday party.

Miko Hughes and Arnold Schwarzenegger star in "Kindergarten Cop"

Kindergarten Cop

An evening of ‘Armie’ begins with this classic about a macho cop forced to masquerade as a kindergarten teacher to find a kid who’s living incognito with his mom. Arnold Schwarzenegger and Penelope Ann Miller star. Later, “Lie Ties” and “Total Recall.”

Thor: Ragnarok

Hammered Thor (Chris Hemsworth) joins forces with old foes and new allies to defeat Hela, goddess of death (Cate Blanchett) – a.k.a. Asgard’s grumpiest oldest sister - in this Marvel hit. He just needs to defeat the Hulk in a gladiator-style arena first.
Tour de France

The best cyclists from around the globe compete for the ultimate achievement in the world of cycling as they participate in the 2021 Tour de France. NBC presents live morning coverage of Stage 12 from Saint-Paul-Trois-Châteaux in Nîmes, France.

Futurama

After an accidental cryogenic freezing, Fry awakens at the dawn of the year 3000. With the help of his two new friends, a degenerate robot and a beautiful one-eyed alien, Fry defies his life assignment as a delivery boy.

"UFC Live" talks Connor McGregor (pictured here) and Dustin Poirier

UFC Live

In preparation for tomorrow’s Lightweight main event between American fighter Dustin Poirier and Ireland’s own Conor McGregor, don’t miss this breakdown of the athletes’ profiles, their odds and expert opinions, debates and predictions on the matchup.

I Love You, Man

Realizing he has no male friends to partake in his wedding, Peter (Paul Rudd) goes on man-dates in search of his first bromance. He bonds with Sydney (Jason Segel), but his new friend begins to put a strain on his relationship. Rashida Jones also stars.
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### Judge Heidi Klum from "America's Got Talent"

**America's Got Talent**

- **11:00 PM**
  - America's most talented singers, dancers, magicians and more strive for their shot at the big time in this hit competition show rebroadcast. This season, Simon Cowell joins Sofia Vergara, Heidi Klum and Howie Mandel on the judging panel once again.

**To Tell the Truth**

- **7:30 PM**
  - Anthony Anderson hosts as a panel of celebrities attempts to determine who is telling the truth and who is a liar in this reboot of the classic game show. Three contestants tell the same backstory but only one of them is being blank.

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**Ozzy and Jack's World Detour**

- **2:00 PM**
  - Father Ozzy and son Jack head to Utah's Mars Desert Research Station in this rebroadcast. Enjoying their pleasant road trip across the beautiful deserts of the United States, their tune soon changes on the long desert stretch through the San Rafael Swell.
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WHAT'S NEW ON NETFLIX
“Gunpowder Milkshake” (2021)
Don’t miss the premiere of the brand new action thriller “Gunpowder Milkshake,” airing on Netflix this Tuesday, July 13. Sam (Karen Gillan, “Guardians of the Galaxy,” 2014) was just a child when her mother, Scarlett (Lena Headey, “Game of Thrones”), an elite assassin, was forced to abandon her and go on the run. Now, 15 years later, Sam has followed in her mother’s footsteps and grown up to become a cold-blooded hitwoman. When a high-risk job goes wrong, Sam must choose between serving her employer and protecting the life of an innocent eight-year-old girl, Emily (Chloe Coleman, “Big Little Lies”). In order to survive, Sam has no choice but to reunite with her mother and lethal associates to fight back against those who could take everything from them. From director and writer Navot Papushado (“Big Bad Wolves,” 2013), this film also boasts an all-star cast including Carla Gugino (“Watchmen,” 2009), Michelle Yeoh (“Crazy Rich Asians,” 2018), Angela Bassett (“Black Panther,” 2018), Paul Giannetti (“Sideways,” 2004), Freya Allan (“The Witcher”) and Ed Birch (“The Hurricane Heist,” 2018).

“Naomi Osaka”
Get an inside look into what it takes to become a world-class athlete when the new documentary miniseries “Naomi Osaka” comes to Netflix on Tuesday, July 13. An in-depth look at the life of the titular Japanese American tennis player, the three-part series follows Osaka through 2018 and 2019, a pivotal time in her career as she rises to fame and explores her cultural roots. Now a four-time Grand Slam champion and ranked the No. 2 women’s tennis player in the world at the time of writing (with a previous No. 1 ranking), Osaka was the first woman of Asian heritage to reach the top in singles rankings — and all at just 23 years old. An outspoken advocate for mental health awareness, Osaka is shaking up the sports world and bringing viewers along for the ride with her. Directed by Garrett Bradley (“Time,” 2020) and produced by Film 45 (“The Keepers,” 2017) in association with Lebron James’ Uninterrupted, a platform that gives voices to athletes, the series brings audiences an intimate look into the life of this global tennis superstar.

“A Classic Horror Story” (2021)

“Fear Street Part Three: 1666” (2021)
Finish off this spooky-tacular trilogy with “Fear Street Part Three: 1666,” coming to Netflix on Friday, July 16. The third and final installment of the Fear Street trilogy of films based on R.L. Stine’s book series of the same name, these films bring the author’s chilling stories to life. Set in the small town of Shady-side, Ohio, the first two films took viewers for a gruesome ride in the years 1994 and 1978 in the town, which has been plagued by an evil, murderous force for centuries. This last film will take it all the way back to the beginning, in the year 1666, to finally reveal how this terrible curse came to be. Meanwhile, the teens in 1994 and 1978 rush to end the curse before it’s too late. From “Honeymoon” (2014) duo Leigh James (director and writer) and Phil Graziadei (co-writer), the film stars Sadie Sink (“Stranger Things”), Olivia Welch ("Panic"), Gillian Jacobs (“Community”), Fred Hechinger (“Eighth Grade,” 2018), Emily Rudd (“The Romanoffs”), Darrell Britt-Gibson (“Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri,” 2017) and Mark Ashworth (“Stargirl”).

WHAT'S NEW ON PRIME
“Making the Cut” - Season 2
Make your way back to Prime for the release of “Making the Cut” Season 2, coming to the platform on Thursday, July 15. “Project Runway” producers Tim Gunn and Heidi Klum return as hosts of this fierce competition series, putting some of the world’s best amateur designers to the test in a gauntlet of challenges designed to push their creative skills to the limit in categories ranging from brand building to resort wear to modern wedding attire. Ten hopeful designers and entrepreneurs will take on the challenge, but only one can come out on top and prove they have what it takes to “make the cut.” The winner will take home a $1-million prize in invest in their business, as well as the opportunity to create a clothing line and secure a mentorship with Amazon Fashion. So, who will make it and who will get cut? Find out with the second season of this high-stakes competition series when superstar Winnie Harlow (“America’s Next Top Model”) and superstar designer Jeremy Scott join the judging panel.

WHAT'S NEW ON HULU
“American Horror Stories” - Season 1
Creator and writer Ryan Murphy (“Glee”) returns with more terrifying television for your summer line-up, with “American Horror Stories” making its series debut on Thursday, July 15, on Hulu. A spinoff of Murphy’s own American Horror Story franchise, this episodic anthology will follow in the footsteps of its predecessor. While the production team is still keeping new plot points close to the chest, fans of the series can expect the same twisting stories and chilling scenes that made the original such a hit. “American Horror Story” took fans on a journey with a host of different characters and locations each season, including to a house with a deadly past, an insane asylum, a witch coven, a freak-show circus, a haunted hotel, a possessed farmhouse, a cult, an apocalypse and even a slasher summer camp. The new series features Charles Melton (“Riverdale”), Kevin McHale (“Glee”), Nico Greetham (“Power Rangers Ninja Steel”), Dyllon Burnside (“Pose”), Kaia Gerber (“Sister Cities,” 2016), Paris Jackson (“Gin-go,” 2018) and Danny Trejo (“Machete,” 2010). Tune in to discover what new horrors Murphy has in store with this brand new series spinoff.

“McCartney 3, 2, 1”
Don’t miss the new docuseries “McCartney 3, 2, 1,” in which rock legend Paul McCartney and legendary music producer Rick Rubin come together once again, this time for Hulu, on Friday, July 16. In a unique conversational format between McCartney and Rubin, the six-episode music series event features in-depth looks into McCartney’s career and life, with nearly 60 years of culture-defining music from The Beatles to Wings and his solo work (per Rolling Stone). This intimate portrait gives fans a chance to hear McCartney dig into his songwriting process, inspirations and relationships like never before as they go through “a day in the life” of one of the world’s most influential artists. Zachary Heinzerling (“Cutie and the Boxer,” 2013) directs, while McCartney and Rubin act as executive producers alongside Jeffrey Pollock (“Situna: All or Nothing at All,” 2015).

WHAT'S NEW ON HBO MAX
“Space Jam: A New Legacy” (2021)
Get pumped and practice your free throws for the long-anticipated “Space Jam” (1996) sequel, “Space Jam: A New Legacy,” when it lands on HBO Max on Friday, July 16. This out-of-this-world, live-action/computer-animated hybrid film features another basketball legend, this time around bringing in four-time NBA champion and MVP LeBron James. The story follows James and his young son, Dom (Cedric Joe, “Modern Family”), as the pair get trapped in a virtual world by a rogue artificial intelligence. In order to get back to their own world and family, they team up with the Looney Tunes gang to defeat the AI’s “goon squad” team in a game of basketball. With a host of returning Looney Tunes favorites, this standalone sequel brings back all the wacky adventures, mishaps and mischief that audiences have grown to love. Bringing life to these characters are the voices of Zendaya (“Spider-Man: Homecoming,” 2017), Don Cheadle (“Iron Man 2,” 2010), Jim Cummings (“Winnie the Pooh,” 2011), Tress MacNeille (“The Simpsons”), Gabriel Iglesias (“Ferdinand,” 2017), Eric Bauza (“Duck Tales”), Jeff Bergman (“The Bugs Bunny and Tweety Show”) and Bob Bergen (“Space Jam,” 1996).
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NBC, Peacock pass on ‘Zoey’s Extraordinary Playlist’

By Michelle Rose
TV Media

Paused ‘Playlist’: Despite hitting all the right notes with fans and critics, “Zoey’s Extraordinary Playlist” won’t be back for a third season — at least, not on NBC. And it won’t be popping up on Peacock, either.

Back in May, NBC quietly decided it wouldn’t be renewing the musical dramedy for a third season (fans got the bad news last month). The second season averaged a little over 2.5 million live viewers, but it had a huge digital fan base, making it a prime contender for Peacock to swoop in and keep it going.

Even the cast, led by Golden Globe nominee Jane Levy (“Evil Dead,” 2013), seemed to think the switch to streaming was a sure thing. In an interview with Vanity Fair last month, Levy explained, “When we finished [shooting] Season 2, I put all my stuff in storage in Canada (where the show films), I was like, ‘Of course we’re coming back.’”

Then came the news that Peacock wouldn’t be reviving it: “Last Friday it seemed like it was a green light. And then Monday morning, it was a red light.”

Understandably, that came as a shock to the cast and its passionate following once the news broke. Still, there’s hope the cast — Levy, Skylan Astin (“Pitch Perfect”), Alex Newell (“Glee”), John Clarence Stewart (“Luke Cage”), Mary Steenburgen (“Curb Your Enthusiasm”) and more — haven’t performed their last number together. Lionsgate Television, which co-produced the series, is reportedly shopping the series elsewhere, similar to when it successfully reinvigorated “Nashville” to CMT after ABC cancelled that series.

“I guess we’re holding on to a little hope,” said Astin in a recent interview with EW. “But the Peacock play was looking very optimistic, down to details of what it would look like and shoot like and how it would be transitioned. It was actually a very exciting notion, which probably made it harder because that carrot was dangled in front of our face and then the rug was completely pulled, kind of at the last minute. So that’s why it feels more surreal.”

New to ‘NCIS’: The upcoming season of “NCIS” will feature a few new faces and fewer appearances by at least one cast member. Long-time star Emily Wickersham (“I am Number Four,” 2011), who has played Ellie Bishop since Season 11, confirmed in May (via Instagram) that she was exiting the crime procedural. That opened the door for a minor cast shake-up and the addition of two new series regulars ahead of Season 19.

After starring on ABC’s “Mixed-ish” for two seasons, Gary Cole (“Veep”) is set to join the “NCIS” cast as FBI Special Agent Alden Park. Executives have been very tight-lipped about his character; they haven’t released a lot of information about him, but they did point out that he wasn’t replacing Mark Harmon’s character. Special Agent Gibbs. Not completely, anyway.

There has been a lot of speculation about Harmon’s involvement in the new season, and it seems he won’t be appearing in a lot of episodes. The exact number of episodes involving Gibbs hasn’t been confirmed (Deadline suggested it might be “just a handful”), but it would make sense for Cole’s new character to be brought in to help fill the void.

In an interview with Deadline, CBS President Kelly Kahl explained, “We take it year by year with Mark, we’d love to have him as long as he’d like to be here. Even in this past season, he might have been light in a couple of episodes, so we’re happy to work around his schedule.”

As for the other new series regular, Katrina Law (“Arrow”), she’ll be playing Special Agent Jessica Knight. She’s not exactly new, though: Law was a recurring guest star last season, but Wickersham’s departure left a vacancy for a strong female character.

Law’s character has been described as “a formidable REACT (Regional Enforcement Action Capabilities Training Team) agent who specializes in hostage negotiations and handles daily high-risk operations with skill and precision. Sharp, athletic and tough, she is fiercely tenacious and with a wry sense of humor.”

More ‘Ziwe’: In a changing late-night TV landscape, it seems Showtime likes what it sees in comedian Ziwe Fumudoh (“Our Cartoon President”) and her eponymous variety show. A late-night TV newcomer, “Ziwe” debuted in May and wrapped its six-week run last month, but Showtime has already renewed it for a second season. Not only that, Showtime has ordered 12 episodes, effectively doubling up on the skits, songs and interviews that caught the attention of critics.

“This show has exceeded my wildest imagination thanks to my brilliant cast, crew and iconic guests,” said Ziwe, in an official statement. “I am famously delighted to continue my collaboration with Showtime and [producer] A24.”

Season 2 will be divided into two installments, and it should be interesting to see who the guests will be after Season 1 featured authors Fran Lebowitz, New York City mayoral candidate Andrew Yang, journalist Gloria Steinem and popular Georgia state politician Stacey Abrams.

With Emmy nominations set to be announced on July 13, it will be interesting to see if ‘Ziwe’ picks up a nod in the Outstanding Variety Sketch Series category. In the meantime, the host is already looking ahead to the new season.

“Is there a season where I interview Hillary Clinton and Kim Kardashian or talk to the Obamas? What’s nice about the show is that I can talk to anyone,” said Ziwe, in an interview with Deadline. “I can talk to ‘Duck Dynasty’ or the president of Morehouse. I just look forward to meeting new people and having more compelling, interesting conversations and constantly pushing the boundaries.”

“This is a variety show in the truest sense of the word” she continued, “because there’s music, guests, field pieces, sketches and fake commercials. I am just making important work that is hopefully funny, so the show is what you interpret, it fits into several genres. It’s stretching the definition of what comedy means.”

NEW ON VIDEO

Wrath of Man
A mysterious new hire (Statham) at an armored truck company exhibits surprisingly accurate marksmanship when the cash truck he’s assigned to protect is attacked. Despite later being hailed as a hero by his co-workers, doubt is shed on his true identity by his boss and the authorities. When another attack takes place, it soon becomes clear that the expert marksman is searching for someone and will stop at nothing in order to settle a score.
Director: William Brent Bell

No Man’s Land
A father (Grillo) and son (Allyn) are patrolling the Texas-Mexico border when the son, Jackson, accidentally kills a Mexican immigrant boy. His father tries to take the blame but fails, and Jackson is pursued by a Texas Ranger (Lopez) across the Rio Grande, where he becomes an “illegal alien” in Mexico. Alone and hunted by Texas Rangers and Mexican Federales, the young man flees across the country in search of the dead boy’s father to ask for forgiveness. As he crosses mountains and deserts, Jackson begins to love the land he once hated.
Director: Conor Allyn

Jane Levy and Peter Gallagher as seen in “Zoey’s Extraordinary Playlist”

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### Parking Wars

**27 A&E 7:00 am**

Fans of this reality series will want to park themselves in front of the TV as A&E premieres a prime-time marathon. The fun kicks off with this episode in which Yolanda deals with a screaming couple, while boyting team Frank and Cheeks also struggle.

### The Perfect Storm

**35 AMC 12:00 pm**

George Clooney stars in this film based on the true story of a brave fisherman and his crew from Gloucester, Massachusetts, who were forced to fight for their lives when they were caught in a powerful storm at sea in 1991. Mark Wahlberg also stars.

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**WEDNESDAY BEST BETS**

**Scarface**
(35) AMC 9:00 am
Al Pacino stars as Tony Montana, an ambitious Cuban refugee entangled in Miami’s cocaine trade in the ’80s in this remake of the 1942 gangster film. Michelle Peiffer and Steven Bauer also star in this cult classic film from director Brian De Palma.

**Let’s Make a Deal**
(9) WMFY 10:00 am
Tiffany Coyne and Jonathan Mangum join this hit game show’s hilarious host, Wayne Brady, in welcoming costumed audience members to the fun. Contestants make increasingly risky deals with the host in an effort to win big money and amazing prizes.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING JULY 14, 2021**

**BEST BETS**

- **Fr** (9) **11:00** Behind the Scenes: Secret of the Tomb
- **11:00** Chef: The Frenchie Chef
- **10:00** Girls: Season 1 (2013)
- **9:00** The Real: Inside the NBA
- **8:00** Grimm: Season 6 (2017)

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT**

- **10:00** MasterChef
- **11:00** Dr. Pimple Popper
- **12:00** The Good Place
- **1:00** The Last Minute

**TW - Time Warner**

- **WCGW** (3) **4:30** Mike & Molly
- **4:30** Modern Family
- **5:30** Modern Family
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- **6:30** Mom (CC)
- **7:30** Big Bang Theory (CC)
- **8:00** NWA Basketball: Playoffs (CC)
- **9:00** NCIS
- **10:00** NCIS
- **11:00** NCIS

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- **1:00** The Best Worst of (1998) D. Mann (CC)
- **2:00** The World's Best Home Cooks (CC)
- **3:00** The Undercover Boss (CC)
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### THURSDAY BEST BETS

**My 600-lb Life**
- **tlc 2:00 pm**
  - This rebroadcast features Alicia, a devoted girlfriend and aunt who hides her inner turmoil with smiles and laughter. On the inside, she is terrified by her food addiction, fearing she won’t live long enough to get married or see her nieces grow up.

**Big Brother**
- **WFMY 8:00 pm**
  - Now in Season 23, Julie Chen reprises her hosting duties in this hit unscripted competition series. Season 17 contestants return to battle it out in a series of games, competitions and eliminations, each hoping to be the last houseguest standing.

### THURSDAY EVENING JULY 15, 2021

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  - This season, Mike and Molly have a new challenge: raising a baby. Mike must balance his job and fatherhood while Molly deals with the demands of her new role as a mother. The duo must learn to work together to succeed in this new chapter of their lives. |
| WPLG 4 | 5:30 pm | Modern Family | ABC | **The Goldbergs** 
  - The family tries to balance the demands of their busy lives with the joy and challenges of raising three kids. This season, they face new obstacles and find ways to support each other through them. |
| WORU 39 | 6:00 pm | The Office | NBC | **The Outpost** 
  - The outpost is under attack from outside forces. The characters must band together to defend it and its inhabitants. |
| WFLY 8 | 7:30 pm | The Big Bang Theory | CBS | **The Big Bang Theory** 
  - The characters face new challenges and discoveries in their personal and professional lives. Their friendships and romantic relationships continue to evolve. |
| WSMC 20 | 8:00 pm | Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives | Food Network | **Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives** 
  - Host Guy Fieri takes the camera on a tour of the South as he samples the local cuisine and meets with the restaurateurs. |
| WPBN 3 | 9:00 pm | The Michael J. Fox Show | NBC | **The Michael J. Fox Show** 
  - Michael J. Fox stars as a new widower who is forced to raise his daughter while trying to work as a writer. |
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  - The characters face new challenges and discoveries in their personal and professional lives. Their friendships and romantic relationships continue to evolve. |

**Good Girls**
- **WXXI 9:00 pm**
  - Christina Hendricks, Retta and Mae Whitman star as not-so-good girls in a new episode of this hit drama. With each of the women needs fast cash for their family, they conspire to rob a supermarket. They soon learn a life of crime isn’t easy to leave.

**The First 48: Rookie Year**
- **WXXI 10:00 pm**
  - This hit series spinoff follows rookie detectives as they learn the ropes and focus on the critical first 48 hours of a criminal investigation. In this new episode, a rookie homicide detective in Louisville, K.Y., takes on his very first case.
New discovery+ competition travels ‘The Globe’

Hosted by Irvine, “The Globe” is a new culinary competition series that begins streaming on discovery+ on Saturday, July 17. In each episode, four talented chefs compete in three rounds of culinary challenges. And here’s where the “Globe” part comes in: everything takes place in an arena, where immersive LED screen backdrops will transport the chefs and the viewers to different places in the world.

That description might trigger memories of virtual calls with relatives who keep cycling through the backdrop options while you politely look on, but this isn’t just for optics or to channel a “vacay” vibe. Those changing backdrops determine the theme for each round and the ingredients used, because the chefs will have to keep things “local.” If they can’t do that, or if their global dishes fail to impress the judges, they’ll be eliminated, “Chopped” style (one in each round), until the last one standing wins a trip to one of the featured destinations.

But even if they win, their journey isn’t done. The first four episodes are preliminary heats for the big finale, in which the ultimate winner gets a $25,000 grand prize.

Chef Daniela Soto-Innes will serve as the resident judge, while the rotating panel of guest judges includes chefs and food celebrities with ties to each region.

On the July 17 episode of “The Globe,” the first stop is Beijing, China, where the chefs can only cook with the traditional Beijing hot pot.

Next up is Tel Aviv, Israel, where they must create Israeli Shipudia (skewers) and Salatim (salad), before moving on to Accra, Ghana, where plantains and cassava are on the menu.
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Then, rearrange the circled letters to discover the actor who has appeared in all five.

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Answer: ANDREW RANNELLS

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