

Best Bets

Feb. 1

GOLDEN TURKEYS

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Some movies are so bad that they have become classics in their own right – films that must have their awfulness seen to be believed. Such is the case with the titles included in film critic Michael Medved and his brother Harry's 1980 book *The Golden Turkey Awards*, which spotlighted "turkeys" across various movie categories. Tonight on TCM, you can watch some of the films awarded Golden Turkeys by the Medveds (occasionally with some help from their readers): *Plan 9 From Outer Space* (1959, Readers' Choice for Worst Film); *The Swarm* (1978, Most Badly Bumbled Bee Movie); *The Conqueror* (1956, Worst Casting: John Wayne as Genghis Khan); *Change of Habit* (1969, Worst Performance as a Clergyman or Nun: Mary Tyler Moore); *The Food of the Gods* (1976, Worst Rodent Movie); and *The Silver Chalice* (1954, Most Embarrassing Film Debut: Paul Newman).

SNOWPIERCER: "SMOLDER TO LIFE"

TNT 138, 9pm

Season 2's second episode sees an exchange being made between the two trains (*Snowpiercer* and *Big Alice*), but a far greater revelation might be just over the horizon.

THE SALISBURY POISONINGS

AMC 131, 10pm

In Episode 2 of the miniseries, Tracy (Anne-Marie Duff) goes all out to find the point of origin of the poison and halt any further contamination, while sections of Salisbury are closed down as men in hazmat suits flood the city and the military moves in.

All Times Eastern

Watch Now! On Demand

NEWS OF THE WORLD

Tom Hanks, Helena Zengel

Drama

CH. 502, 533



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Feb. 2

FINDING YOUR ROOTS: "NO IRISH NEED APPLY"

PBS, 8pm

Henry Louis Gates Jr. explores the roots of actor Jane Lynch and comedian Jim Gaffigan, revealing the Irish American experience through their families.

STAR OF THE MONTH: JOHN GARFIELD

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Famed actor John Garfield is remembered each Tuesday this month on Turner Classic Movies with an evening of his films. Garfield did not have as long a career as he should have – in 1951, he was among those in Hollywood who were blacklisted during the "red scare," and he died the following year at age 39. But the actor left a memorable body of work, and is especially remembered for his frequent performances as brooding, working-class characters in often dark films. Tonight's lineup features a number of those appearances in crime dramas and film noirs, beginning with one of Garfield's most famous roles, costarring as a drifter alongside Lana Turner's femme fatale in the iconic noir *The Postman Always Rings Twice* (1946). Also tonight: *Force of Evil* (1948), *He Ran All the Way* (1951, Garfield's final film), *Nobody Lives Forever* (1946), *East of the River* (1940), *Out of the Fog* (1941) and *Blackwell's Island* (1939).

HOME AGAIN WITH THE FORDS

HGTV 112, 9pm

NEW SERIES!

Sibling duo Leanne and Steve Ford are back with a brand-new series that helps families returning to their Pittsburgh roots get fresh, modern home renovations. In the premiere episode viewers will meet Kristi, Sam and their three boys, who moved from Denver to Carnegie, Pennsylvania, to inherit a farmhouse that's been in their family for generations (a mini-golf course and ice cream stand are included with the property!). Now, Kristi's parents are moving back to the old farmhouse to live out their retirement years. Before they arrive, the couple enlists Steve and Leanne to update the home with creative touches, while keeping the rich family history intact.

FRONTLINE: "CHINA'S COVID SECRETS"

PBS, 10pm

This is the untold story of the beginning of the coronavirus pandemic and how China responded. Chinese scientists and doctors, international disease experts, and health officials reveal missed opportunities to suppress the outbreak and lessons for the world.

All Times Eastern

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Feb. 3

FIREFLY LANE

Netflix

NEW SERIES!

Soulful, funny and sexy, this lively drama chronicles 30 years of the "you are my person" friendship between glamorous journalist Tully Hart (Katherine Heigl) and sweet wife and mom Kate Mularkey (Sarah Chalke), unlikely besties who met as teen neighbors on Firefly Lane.

NHL HOCKEY

NBCSN 159, beginning at 5:30pm Live

NBCSN features an NHL tripleheader with the Detroit Red Wings at the Tampa Bay Lightning, the Boston Bruins at the Philadelphia Flyers and the Vegas Golden Knights at the San Jose Sharks.

NATURE: "PUMAS: LEGENDS OF THE ICE MOUNTAINS"

PBS, 8pm

Amid the massive mountains of Chile's Torres del Paine National Park, condors soar, colorful caracaras keep a sharp eye out for prey, graceful guanacos roam and vivid pink flamingos make a theatrical appearance. But this kingdom is the stronghold of the puma, a large mountain lion. Follow the fate of a female puma in her prime, the mother of four cubs, as she hunts and teaches her young how to live in this extraordinary landscape. Narrated by Uma Thurman.

TCM SPOTLIGHT: NOTEWORTHY AFRICAN AMERICAN PERFORMANCES

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Among the ways that Turner Classic Movies is celebrating Black History Month this February is with Wednesday night lineups of films featuring great and memorable performances from Black actors. Tonight is all about legendary actor Sidney Poitier, with an evening featuring five of his films. First up is *Cry, the Beloved Country*, a 1951 British drama that was one of Poitier's earliest credited roles and that was a rare film for its time, given that all of its main characters are Black.

THE FIXERS

BYUtv 9403, 9pm

MIDSEASON PREMIERE!

The "A-Team" of experienced builders – Nick Apostolides, Courtney Dober, Ariel Myren and Kirin Stone – return for more episodes of the show that features them traveling to locations where their expertise can help those in need. This spring, the Fixers travel to Arkansas, Los Angeles, and Grand Rapids, Michigan.

All Times Eastern

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Feb. 4

TCM SPOTLIGHT: KISS CONNECTION

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Each Thursday in February, TCM airs a themed evening of romantic movies with one actor from each movie also connected to the title airing after it. The last actor connection of an evening carries over to the next week, with Irene Dunne being the starting and ending connection for the month.

SUMMER HOUSE

Bravo 129, 9pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

New house, new roommate, new challenges! It's a summer unlike any other. The drama intensifies as the *Summer House* crew mixes business with pleasure for the first time all together 24/7. Quarantesting in the Hamptons, this friend group must tackle busy work schedules, tumultuous relationships and epic parties under one roof. Returning roommates this season include Kyle Cooke, Amanda Batula, Lindsay Hubbard, Carl Radke, Hannah Berner, Paige DeSorbo, Luke Gulbranson and Danielle Olivera, while Ciara Miller joins as the new roommate.

30 FOR 30: "AL DAVIS VS. THE NFL"

ESPN 140, 9pm

This new *30 for 30* documentary presents an intimate look inside one of the great rivalries in the history of the NFL: former Raiders owner Al Davis and former NFL commissioner Pete Rozelle, whose battle grew so intense that players, owners, franchises and the league itself became characters in a three-decades-long Shakespearean feud that changed football forever.

IMPRACTICAL JOKERS

truTV 242, 10pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

Season 9 of cable's No. 1 unscripted comedy series premieres tonight. The series follows four comedians and lifelong friends known as the Tenderloins – Sal, Joe, Q and Murr – as they compete to embarrass each other with a series of hilarious and outrageous antics.

FAST FOODIES

truTV 242, 10:30pm

NEW SERIES!

This is an ode to the greatest flavors known to mankind – fast food. Three award-winning chefs – Kristen Kish, Jeremy Ford and Justin Sutherland – compete every week for the love of some hungry, hungry celebrities by attempting to re-create and then remix their favorite fast-food dishes. Some of the celebrity guests this season include Joel McHale, Andy Richter and James Van Der Beek.

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MALCOLM & MARIE

Netflix

ORIGINAL FILM!

In this achingly romantic drama, a filmmaker (John David Washington) and his girlfriend (Zendaya) return home following a celebratory movie premiere as he awaits what's sure to be imminent critical and financial success. The evening suddenly takes a turn as revelations about their relationships begin to surface, testing the strength of their love. Working with cinematographer Marcell Rév, writer/director Sam Levinson creates an ode to the great Hollywood romances.

KILLER ADVICE

LMN 109, 8pm

ORIGINAL FILM!

When Beth (Kate Watson) suffers a traumatic attack, her family and friends suggest she see a therapist to help her cope. However, her new therapist gives her more than she bargained for.

JOURNALISTS IN DANGER

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Tonight's triple feature of films chronicles journalists who brave war zones to bring back the story. First up, Peter Weir's *The Year of Living Dangerously* (1982) follows the relationships among an Australian journalist (Mel Gibson), a British embassy officer (Sigourney Weaver) and the journalist's Chinese/Australian local photographer contact (Linda Hunt) amid the backdrop of an attempted 1965 coup in Indonesia. Next, in *Under Fire* (1983), Nick Nolte, Gene Hackman and Joanna Cassidy star as journalists involved in political intrigue and a romantic triangle during the last days of the corrupt Somoza regime in Nicaragua before it falls to a popular revolution in 1979. Finally, the harrowing, Best Picture Oscar-nominated 1984 drama *The Killing Fields*, about Cambodia's brutal Khmer Rouge regime in the 1970s, is based on the actual experiences of Cambodian journalist Dith Pran (Haing S. Ngor) and American journalist Sydney Schanberg (Sam Waterston).

THE UGLY TRUTH

TNT 138, 8pm

This 2009 romantic comedy centers around Abby Richter (Katherine Heigl), a romantically challenged morning show producer whose search for Mr. Perfect has left her hopelessly single. She gets a rude awakening when her bosses team her with Mike Chadway (Gerard Butler), a hardcore TV personality who promises to spill the ugly truth on what makes men and women tick.

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THE PACIFIC

History 120, beginning at 6:30pm

The 2010 Peabody- and Emmy Award-winning 10-part dramatic miniseries from executive producers Steven Spielberg and Tom Hanks about the U.S. Marine Corps' actions in the Pacific theater of World War II makes its network debut on History starting with the first four episodes tonight. James Badge Dale, Joseph Mazzello and Jon Seda lead the cast.

WHITNEY HOUSTON & BOBBI KRISTINA: DIDN'T WE ALMOST HAVE IT ALL

Lifetime 108, 8pm

The two-hour documentary presents an in-depth look at the parallel lives of renowned singer Whitney Houston and her daughter, Bobbi Kristina. Both faced similar struggles – the scrutiny of fame, life in the shadow of famous mothers and criticism for their love choices – and both turned to drugs and alcohol for relief from the pressures of being in the spotlight, before leaving the Earth in the same tragic way. In candid interviews with family and friends, the documentary looks at the ups and downs of their personal stories, while celebrating their lives.

MEL BROOKS & GENE WILDER

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

The individual comedic geniuses of writer/director Mel Brooks and actor Gene Wilder combined into an even more uproarious force when they worked together on films, and tonight's double feature spotlights two films – *The Producers* and *Blazing Saddles* – that are among this pairing's most hilarious high points.

BEVERLY HILLS WEDDING

Hallmark Channel 185, 9pm

ORIGINAL FILM!

When small-town wedding photographer Molly's baby sister gets engaged, she enters the budget-conscious couple in a contest and wins a dream wedding – an all-expenses-paid, celeb-worthy event at a historic Beverly Hills hotel, thrown by "planner to the stars" Terrence Roquemore. It all seems perfect, but when the engaged couple seems uneasy with the new plans, she reconsiders whose dreams she is trying to fulfill. Starring Brooke D'Orsay and Brendan Penny.

DEVIL MAY CARE

Syfy 122, 12am (late-night)

NEW SERIES!

This late-night, 15-minute animated comedy stars Alan Tudyk (*Resident Alien*) as the devil and Asif Ali as his newly hired social media coordinator.

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KITTEN BOWL VIII

Hallmark Channel 185, 2pm

TV personality, author and animal advocate Beth Stern returns as host for this year's event from Hallmark Channel Stadium alongside Cameron Mathison and Tamera Mowry-Housley from *Home & Family*. Stern embodies the spirit of adoption in her everyday life, having fostered countless animals in need. Stern's tireless year-round efforts to find homes for animals makes her a synergistic fit to lead the charge for *Kitten Bowl VIII*.

PUPPY BOWL XVII

Animal Planet 184, 2pm

Animal Planet brings back another three-hour installment of its adorable Super Bowl counterprogramming event. This year, 22 shelters and rescues from nine Northeastern states bring 70 adoptable puppy players onto the field.

SUPER BOWL LV

CBS, 6:30pm Live

The NFL's AFC and NFC champions square off in Super Bowl LV at Raymond James Stadium in Tampa, Florida. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, only 13,000-15,000 spectators are expected to attend. CBS Sports' play-by-play announcer Jim Nantz and analyst Tony Romo call the action from the broadcast booth. Canadian singer, songwriter and producer the Weeknd performs at halftime.

MADE FOR YOU, WITH LOVE

UPtv 188, 7pm **ORIGINAL FILM!**

The owner of a secondhand wedding dress business breathes new life into used dresses, making dreams come true for brides unable to afford pricey gowns. But when she meets the perfect guy, she's afraid to give her own heart a chance at love.

TENNIS: AUSTRALIAN OPEN: FIRST ROUND

ESPN 140 & ESPN2 143, beginning at 7pm Live

The postponed Australian Open takes place at Melbourne Park for the first Grand Slam tennis tournament of 2021.

THE EQUALIZER **NEW SERIES!**

CBS, following Super Bowl LV

This reimagining of the classic series stars Queen Latifah as Robyn McCall, an enigmatic woman with a mysterious background who uses her extensive skills as a former CIA operative to help those with nowhere else to turn. Tory Kittles, Adam Goldberg, Liza Lapira and Chris Noth also star.

All Times Eastern

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Feb. 8

LANA TURNER 100TH BIRTHDAY

TCM 132, beginning at 6am

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Legendary actress and iconic bombshell Lana Turner would have turned 100 today (born Feb. 8, 1921, as Julia Jean Turner), and to celebrate, Turner Classic Movies becomes *Lana Turner Classic Movies* all day today – the network is offering 12 of the star's films over 24 hours starting early this morning with *Latin Lovers* (1953).

STUDIO C

BYUtv 9403, 9pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

The comedy sketch show that explores the funnier side of life returns for a new season.

SNOWPIERCER: "A GREAT ODYSSEY"

TNT 138, 9pm

Melanie (Jennifer Connelly) embarks on her most dangerous mission yet, while Layton (Daveed Diggs) reckons with his personal choices.

BLACK LIGHTNING

The CW, 9pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

The high-octane show returns for its final season.

AMERICAN EXPERIENCE: "GOIN' BACK TO T-TOWN"

PBS, 9pm

Hear the extraordinary history of Greenwood, a successful Black community in segregated Tulsa that prospered during the 1920s and '30s despite rampant and hostile segregation. In a nostalgic celebration of old-fashioned neighborhood life, Black residents of "T-Town" relive their community's remarkable rise and ultimate decline.

THE SALISBURY POISONINGS

AMC 131, 10pm

In Episode 3 of the miniseries, life in Salisbury may be able to return to near normal as no further traces of the toxin are discovered and the contaminated areas have been cleaned. But a perfume bottle in a charity bin contains a deadly secret.

INDEPENDENT LENS: "WOMEN IN BLUE"

PBS, 10pm

Under the leadership of the Minneapolis Police Department's first female chief, women officers seek gender equity, redefining what it means to protect and serve. But a fatal shooting and a new male chief imperil their progress.

All Times Eastern

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Feb. 9

NASCAR CUP SERIES:

BUSCH CLASH AT DAYTONA ROAD COURSE

FS1 150, 7pm Live

Speedweeks at Daytona International Speedway kick off with the Busch Clash at Daytona exhibition, which will be held for the first time on the famed track's 14-turn road course.

NBA BASKETBALL

TNT 138, beginning at 7:30pm Live

John Wall and the Houston Rockets head to New Orleans to face Zion Williamson and the Pelicans. TNT's second game has Jaylen Brown and the Boston Celtics in Salt Lake City for a meeting with Bojan Bogdanovic and the Utah Jazz.

STAR OF THE MONTH: JOHN GARFIELD

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Turner Classic Movies' Tuesday night salute to famed actor John Garfield continues with *The Sea Wolf* (1941), based on Jack London's adventure novel and costarring Edward G. Robinson and Ida Lupino; *Body and Soul* (1947), the film noir boxing drama that earned Garfield a Best Actor Oscar nomination; *We Were Strangers* (1949), a John Huston-helmed adventure film set amid the 1930s Cuban revolution; *The Breaking Point* (1950), a crime drama that adapts the Hemingway novel *To Have and Have Not*; *Juarez* (1939), a historical drama set in 19th-century Mexico; *They Made Me a Criminal* (1939), Garfield's second film, a crime drama costarring Claude Rains, Ann Sheridan and the Dead End Kids; and *Between Two Worlds* (1944), a fantasy drama costarring Paul Henreid and Sydney Greenstreet.

AL CAPONE: ICON

PBS, 9pm

Was Al Capone the quintessential self-made American man, a ruthless killer or both? Just his name sparks images of pinstriped suits and bloody violence. To this day, Americans are fascinated by this celebrity gangster. The question is, why?

INSIDE THE NFL: "2020 SUPER BOWL RECAP"

Showtime 318, 9pm

SEASON FINALE!

Relive the highlights of the big game with host James Brown and analysts Phil Simms, Michael Irvin, Ray Lewis and Brandon Marshall.

All Times Eastern

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Feb. 10

TOUGH AS NAILS

CBS, 8pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

The reality competition series celebrating hardworking Americans returns for Season 2. The 12 new cast members include a steelworker, a pipe welder, a travel nurse, a UPS delivery driver, a tugboat mariner, and a retired Air Force colonel who flew the U-2 spy plane. Phil Keoghan hosts.

TCM SPOTLIGHT: NOTEWORTHY AFRICAN AMERICAN PERFORMANCES

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!



Tonight's film lineup featuring memorable performances from Black actors begins with two films featuring the powerful voice and presence of actor Rex Ingram: the film noir *Moonrise*

(pictured, 1948) and *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* (1939), in which Ingram costars as Jim alongside Mickey Rooney's title character. Next, Percy Rodrigues gives a fascinating and complex performance as an embittered, Black segregationist doctor dying of lung cancer in the Oscar-nominated drama *The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter* (1968), based on Carson McCullers' novel. Finally, Sammy Davis Jr. plays a self-destructive jazz musician in the drama/musical *A Man Called Adam* (1966), which also features Ossie Davis, Cicely Tyson, Louis Armstrong, Johnny Brown, Ja'net DuBois (billed here as Jeanette Du Bois), Lola Falana and Morgan Freeman, in an uncredited, very early role as a party guest.

NOVA: BEYOND THE ELEMENTS: "INDESTRUCTIBLE"

PBS, 9pm

Scientists have created virtually indestructible versions of glass, rubber and plastic. But are they too tough? As the environmental impact of the quest for durability becomes clear, scientists look for ways to maintain utility but minimize harm.

EUROPE'S NEW WILD: "RETURN OF THE TITANS"

PBS, 10pm

Travel to the Carpathian Mountains and beyond, where Europe's most iconic species are thriving. The reintroduction of European bison signals a wildlife comeback, while just beyond the mountains, gray wolves stage an astonishing return.

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NASCAR CUP SERIES: DUELS AT DAYTONA

FS1 150, 7pm Live

FS1 airs the pair of 150-mile qualifying races at Daytona International Speedway that will finalize the starting lineup for the 63rd Daytona 500.

THE WRONG VALENTINE

LMN 109, 8pm

ORIGINAL FILM!

After her father's passing, Emily (Mariah Robinson) tries to put herself out there. A bright student, Emily doesn't have the easiest time making friends. With the help of Ms. Connelly (Vivica A. Fox) her senior year is in full swing, but she has yet to find a guy, let alone a Valentine of her very own. As luck would have it, the new boy at school has his eye on Emily and delivers her the annual school gift of a candy cupid. Could he be the one?

TCM SPOTLIGHT: KISS CONNECTION

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Tonight's Kiss Connection lineup of romantic films kicks off with 1956's *Written on the Wind*, starring Lauren Bacall (who ended last week's Kiss Connection) and Rock Hudson. Also tonight: *Lover Come Back* (1961, Rock Hudson/Doris Day); *The Thrill of It All* (1963, Doris Day/James Garner); *Boys' Night Out* (1962, James Garner/Kim Novak); *Vertigo* (1958, Kim Novak/James Stewart); *Rear Window* (1954, James Stewart/Grace Kelly); and, finally, Grace Kelly and Frank Sinatra in 1956's *High Society*, with Sinatra carrying over into next Thursday's first Kiss Connection film.



NEW SERIES!

CLARICE

CBS, 10pm

This new thriller is a deep dive into the untold personal story of FBI Agent Clarice Starling (Rebecca Breeds) as she returns to the

field in 1993, one year after the events of *The Silence of the Lambs*. Brilliant and vulnerable, Clarice's bravery gives her an inner light that draws monsters and madmen to her. However, her complex psychological makeup that comes from a challenging childhood empowers her to begin to find her voice while working in a man's world, as well as escape the family secrets that have haunted her throughout her life. Michael Cudlitz, Lucca De Oliveira and Kal Penn also star.

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Feb. 12

GALENTINE'S DAY NIGHTMARE

LMN 109, 8pm

ORIGINAL FILM!

It's the day before Valentine's, a time for all the single girls to celebrate being single. Though her career is on the upswing and she's landed her dream job, Claire (Camille Stoppa) can't say the same for her personal life and decides a night on the town with her girlfriends is what she needs. When she meets Brian (Anthony Grant), she thinks she may have found the one, but finds herself in a terrible predicament.

TCM ROMANTIC WEEKEND GETAWAY

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Starting tonight and airing through Sunday (Valentine's Day), Turner Classic Movies airs some of the greatest romantic movies of all time, ranging from tear-jerking dramas to romantic comedies. The romantic weekend getaway begins on a very passionate note tonight with the iconic 1942 Oscar winner *Casablanca*, the beloved drama featuring a classic romantic triangle among Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman and Paul Henreid. Also tonight: *West Side Story* (1961), *Marty* (1955), *Crossing Delancey* (1988) and *Brief Encounter* (1945).

ARE YOU AFRAID OF THE DARK?: CURSE OF THE SHADOWS

Nickelodeon 170, 8pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

In Season 2 of the horror anthology series based on the kids cult classic, an all-new Midnight Society group of kids learn of the terrifying curse cast over their small seaside town.

IN CONCERT AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL: "MÚSICA SIN FRONTERAS (MUSIC WITHOUT BORDERS)"

PBS, 9pm

Vin Scully narrates "Lincoln Portrait" with Gustavo Dudamel and the Los Angeles Philharmonic; Carlos Vives sings "La Tierra del Olvido" and "La Gota Fría"; Café Tacvba performs "El Baile y El Salón"; and Siudy Garrido dances flamenco to Manuel de Falla's "El Amor Brujo."

HIP HOP UNCOVERED

FX 136, 10pm

NEW SERIES!

Set against 40 years of music history, this six-part documentary series, directed by Rashidi Natara Harper, reveals the untold story of how America's streets helped shape hip-hop culture from an expression of survival and defiance into one of music's most dominant genres.

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TCM ROMANTIC WEEKEND GETAWAY

TCM 132, all day

**CATCH A
CLASSIC!**

There may be more romance than your heart can take as TCM's Valentine's Day weekend salute to classic big-screen love stories continues with its second day, featuring *Love Affair* (1939), *The Shop Around the Corner* (1940), *From Here to Eternity* (pictured, 1953), *Gigi* (1958), *Doctor Zhivago* (1965), *Magnificent Obsession* (1954), *Roman Holiday* (1953), *Pillow Talk* (1959), *The Goodbye Girl* (1977), *The Philadelphia Story* (1940) and *Woman of the Year* (1942).

NBA BASKETBALL: BROOKLYN AT GOLDEN STATE

ABC, 8:30pm Live

Kevin Durant visits his former teammates when the Brooklyn Nets are in San Francisco to face Steph Curry and the Golden State Warriors.

PLAYING CUPID

Hallmark Channel 185, 9pm

**ORIGINAL
FILM!**

A modern-day *Emma* finds David Martinez being secretly set up with his daughter's teacher when the young girl begins a matchmaking business for a school project. Stars Laura Vandervoort, Nicholas Gonzalez and Mia Quaranta De La Rosa.

All Times Eastern

Watch Now! On Demand

LET HIM GO

Diane Lane, Kevin Costner

Thriller

CH. 506, 507, 532



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Feb. 14

NASCAR CUP SERIES: DAYTONA 500

FOX, 2:30pm Live

The 2021 NASCAR Cup Series season begins at famed Daytona International Speedway for the 63rd Daytona 500.

CHERRIES WILD **NEW SERIES!**

FOX, 7pm

Hosted by Jason Biggs, this fast-paced half-hour game show will feature two rounds of pop culture trivia gameplay – during which a team of two contestants will try to “Solve the Slots” in hopes of getting one step closer to winning the \$250,000 jackpot.

AMERICAN IDOL

ABC, 8pm

**SEASON
PREMIERE!**

Helping determine who America will ultimately vote for to become the next singing sensation are music industry forces and superstar judges Luke Bryan, Katy Perry and Lionel Richie. Emmy-winning host and producer Ryan Seacrest will return to the beloved competition series as host.

CROSSWORD MYSTERIES:

TERMINAL DESCENT **ORIGINAL FILM!**

Hallmark Movies & Mysteries 187, 8pm

After volunteering to participate in a crossword-solving competition with a new supercomputer, crossword puzzle editor Tess Harper finds herself swept into the investigation of the bizarre murder of a tech CEO. Starring Lacey Chabert, Brennan Elliott, Barbara Niven and John Kapelos.

THE GREAT NORTH

FOX, 8:30pm

NEW SERIES!

This new animated comedy follows the Alaskan adventures of the Tobin family, as single dad Beef (voice of Nick Offerman) does his best to keep his bunch of kids close.

MEN IN KILTS: A ROADTRIP WITH SAM AND GRAHAM

Starz 350, 9pm

NEW SERIES!

Outlander stars Sam Heughan and Graham McTavish are behind this fun-filled buddy travelogue through Scotland. In the premiere episode, “Food & Drink,” Sam and Graham explore (perhaps a little too passionately) what it takes to make the world's finest whisky and to cook “only in Scotland” dishes like haggis.

YOUR HONOR

Showtime 318, 10pm

**SEASON
FINALE!**

Star Bryan Cranston, who also directed this episode, promises it will shock, saying that his character, Judge Michael Desiato, “attempts to become someone that he is not.”

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NORTH KOREA: INSIDE THE MIND OF A DICTATOR

Nat Geo 197, 8pm

This two-hour special takes a deep dive into the past and making of Kim Jong Un, his leadership decisions and the grip he holds on North Korea's uncertain future. The show delves into the complex family dynamics of the Kim dynasty and offers a look at the psychology and life that make up the elusive Supreme Leader.

WRITTEN & DIRECTED BY RICHARD BROOKS

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

**CATCH A
CLASSIC!**

Some of the finest work by acclaimed filmmaker Richard Brooks can be seen tonight when Turner Classic Movies airs four films that he wrote and directed, mostly from his later career as an independently working producer/director, but also one film from his studio days. First is Brooks' chilling 1967 neo-noir adaptation of Truman Capote's true-crime book *In Cold Blood*; followed by *Elmer Gantry* (1960), *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* (1958) and *Lord Jim* (1965).

KIDS BAKING CHAMPIONSHIP

Food Network 110, 9pm

SEASON FINALE!

It all comes down to this. Which talented young baker will wow the judges and go home with the sweet grand prize of \$25,000, a spot in *Food Network Magazine*, and the title of Kids Baking Champion?

SNOWPIERCER: “A SINGLE TRADE”

TNT 138, 9pm

As the *Big Alice* crew is granted shore leave on *Snowpiercer*, Layton (Daveed Diggs) and Wilford (Sean Bean) have differing options on the future.

THE NEW AIR FORCE ONE: FLYING FORTRESS

Nat Geo 197, 10pm

Get an unprecedented look at the new United States Air Force One aircrafts and the cutting-edge engineering and technology that transform the plane into a top-secret command center.

THE SALISBURY POISONINGS

AMC 131, 10pm

MINISERIES FINALE!

In the fourth and final episode of the miniseries, Tracy (Anne-Marie Duff) learns the poison's contamination radius may be even larger. Shaken by the experience of the past few months, the people of Salisbury vow to regain safety in their treasured city and rebuild their lives.

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NBA BASKETBALL

TNT 138, beginning at 7:30pm Live

Zion Williamson and the New Orleans Pelicans are on the road against Jonas Valanciunas and the Memphis Grizzlies. In TNT's second game, Kevin Durant and the Brooklyn Nets visit Chris Paul and the Phoenix Suns.

FINDING YOUR ROOTS: "WRITE MY NAME IN THE BOOK OF LIFE"

PBS, 8pm

Henry Louis Gates Jr. helps musician Pharrell Williams and filmmaker Kasi Lemmons uncover extraordinarily rare first-person accounts of their enslaved ancestors.

STAR OF THE MONTH: JOHN GARFIELD

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Famed actor John Garfield is back in an evening featuring eight more of his memorable dramatic performances. The night begins with *Humoresque* (1946), a melodrama costarring Joan Crawford and plenty of classical music and popular standards.

THE BLACK CHURCH: THIS IS OUR STORY, THIS IS OUR SONG

PBS, 9pm

Henry Louis Gates Jr. explores the roots of African American religion beginning with the Atlantic slave trade and the extraordinary ways enslaved Africans preserved and adapted faith practices from the brutality of slavery to emancipation.

TRICKSTER

The CW, 9pm

SEASON FINALE!

This supernatural drama comes to a close tonight.

TEMPTATION ISLAND

USA Network 105, 10pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

In Season 3 of the reality competition series, four new couples are packing up their emotional baggage and heading to Maui for the ultimate test of their relationships. Joined by 24 sexy single men and women looking to find everlasting love, these couples must decide if they will commit to a lifetime together – or if they will ultimately give in to the temptation from the singles looking to find "the one."

All Times Eastern

Best Bets

Feb. 17

NBA BASKETBALL

ESPN 140, beginning at 7:30pm Live

ESPN's NBA doubleheader features John Wall's Houston Rockets at Joel Embiid's Philadelphia 76ers, followed by Jimmy Butler and the Miami Heat in San Francisco to take on Steph Curry and the Golden State Warriors.

NHL HOCKEY

NBCSN 159, beginning at 7:30pm Live

Wednesday Night Hockey on NBCSN has the Chicago Blackhawks at the Detroit Red Wings, followed by the Winnipeg Jets at the Edmonton Oilers.

NOVA: BEYOND THE ELEMENTS: "LIFE"

PBS, 9pm

Without the chemistry of photosynthesis, ozone and an enzyme called rubisco, we wouldn't exist. So why do we? Discover the molecules that allowed life on Earth to begin, and ultimately thrive, and how scientists use evolution in chemistry.

EUROPE'S NEW WILD: "THE LAND OF SNOW AND ICE"

PBS, 10pm

In Lapland, natives and conservation groups work to save an age-old reindeer migration and restore an entire ecosystem in the process. Now, Lapland is witnessing wildlife spectacles return to the land of ice and snow.

I SURVIVED A CRIME

A&E 118, 10pm

NEW SERIES!

Hosted by award-winning ABC News reporter Gio Benitez, *I Survived a Crime* takes viewers on a journey into the experience of being a victim of a sudden crime, from the moment those attacked first perceive the danger through the potential long-lasting effects. Using surveillance and cellphone footage captured during the crime, the series follows individuals going about their daily lives who were confronted with a dangerous situation and forced to make a quick decision on how to protect themselves or their families.

GOOD TROUBLE

Freeform 180, 10pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

Season 3 picks up right where Season 2 left off, including the morning after Mariana hooked up with her boss, Evan. The show's executive producer also promises answers to the status of Callie's relationship with Jamie. Later in the season, the show will address the COVID-19 pandemic and the resurgence of the Black Lives Matter movement.

All Times Eastern

Best Bets

Feb. 18

TCM SPOTLIGHT: KISS CONNECTION

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Tonight's Kiss Connection lineup of romantic films starts with 1955's *The Tender Trap*, starring Frank Sinatra (who ended last week's Kiss Connection) and Debbie Reynolds. The rest of this evening's Kiss Connection includes: *Singin' in the Rain* (1952, Debbie Reynolds/Gene Kelly); *Brigadoon* (1954, Gene Kelly/Cyd Charisse); *The Band Wagon* (1953, Cyd Charisse/Fred Astaire); *Carefree* (1938, Fred Astaire/Ginger Rogers); and Ginger Rogers and Joel McCrea in *Primrose Path* (1940), with McCrea leading off next Thursday's final Kiss Connection evening.

BUILT FOR MARS: THE PERSEVERANCE ROVER

Nat Geo 197, 8pm

Go behind the scenes at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory to follow the birth of the Perseverance rover, whose primary mission is to search for traces of life in an ancient river delta on Mars and collect samples for eventual return to Earth. This two-hour special shines a spotlight on the essential role of the flight technicians – the mechanics, machinists and other hands-on workers who are entrusted with the crucial job of turning the scientists' goals and the engineers' designs into reality, with one-of-a-kind hardware built for Mars.

THE MARCH ON WASHINGTON: KEEPERS OF THE DREAM

Nat Geo 197, 10pm

This documentary special will trace the ongoing journey of the civil rights movement through the eyes of the heroes who marched for justice and equality in the 1960s and the experiences of those on the front lines of the current fight for racial equality.

All Times Eastern

Watch Now! On Demand

THE SPONGEBOB MOVIE: SPONGE ON THE RUN

Voices of Tom Kenny, Bill Fagerbakke
Comedy
CH. 504, 527



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Best Bets

Feb. 19

I CARE A LOT

Netflix

ORIGINAL
FILM!

This comedy/thriller that debuted at the 2020 Toronto International Film Festival follows Marla Grayson (Rosamund Pike), a highly successful legal guardian with a knack for exploiting the law to her financial benefit. After discovering her seemingly innocent new client (Dianne Wiest) harbors dangerous secrets, Marla and her partner (Eiza González) come to find they have unknowingly triggered a battle with a ruthless adversary (Peter Dinklage).

NBA BASKETBALL

ESPN 140, beginning at 7pm Live

Zach LaVine and the Chicago Bulls are in Philadelphia to battle Joel Embiid and the 76ers in the first game of ESPN's NBA doubleheader. The second game features Luka Dončić and the Dallas Mavericks in Houston looking to ground John Wall and the Rockets.

HIS KILLER FAN

LMN 109, 8pm

ORIGINAL
FILM!

When up-and-coming musician Ariana Kent (Brooke Butler) gets the opportunity to perform a duet with Josh Halliday (Ryan Cooper) at his concert, she thinks her dreams of romance with the rock superstar are finally going to come true. That is, until he lays eyes on her best friend, Kaylee (Teresa Liane), sitting in the front row. After repeated attempts to seduce Josh fail, Ariana pretends to support Josh and Kaylee's romance. But as her obsession with Josh continues to grow, Ariana's true intentions come to light as she believes there is only room for one girl in the front row.

GIRLS WITH GUNS

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A
CLASSIC!

Weapon-wielding women headline tonight's triple-header of crime and action films. Beginning the night is *Gun Crazy* (1950), an influential crime drama that tells the Bonnie and Clyde-esque tale of a crime spree embarked upon by a wife and husband (Peggy Cummins and John Dall) who love each other almost as much as they love their guns. Next, it's a spree of a different sort in the landmark feminist film *Thelma & Louise* (1991), with Geena Davis and Susan Sarandon as the title characters whose road trip ends up in violent circumstances. Finally, Pam Grier stars as *Coffy* in the 1973 blaxploitation classic about a woman who embarks on violent revenge against the drug pushers responsible for her sister's heroin addiction.

All Times Eastern

Best Bets

Feb. 20

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

ABC, CBS, ESPN 140, ESPN2 143 & FOX, beginning at 12pm Live

Saturday's college hoops highlights include UConn at Villanova (FOX), Virginia Tech at Florida State (ESPN2), Kentucky at Tennessee (CBS), Texas Tech at Kansas (ESPN) and West Virginia at Texas (ABC).

12 STRONG

AMC 131, 8pm

The 2018 historical drama starring Chris Hemsworth, Michael Shannon and Michael Peña makes its debut on AMC tonight. The film tells the story of the first Special Forces team deployed to Afghanistan after 9/11 as they work with an Afghan warlord to take down the Taliban.

52ND NAACP IMAGE AWARDS

BET 124, 8pm Live

The annual ceremony returns to celebrate the outstanding achievements and performances of people of color in the arts and those who promote social justice through their creative work. Public online voting opens Jan. 22 and closes Feb. 5; visit naacpimageawards.net for more details.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SIDNEY POITIER

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A
CLASSIC!

Legendary actor Sidney Poitier turns 94 today, and to celebrate, Turner Classic Movies airs a double feature of two of his most renowned films — *Lilies of the Field* (1963) and *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner* (1967).

THE LONG ISLAND SERIAL KILLER: A MOTHER'S HUNT FOR JUSTICE

Lifetime 108, 8pm

ORIGINAL FILM!

This movie is inspired by the emotional story of Mari Gilbert (played by *NYPD Blue*'s Kim Delaney), a mother whose daughter's disappearance led to the discovery of 19 bodies, many of which are believed to have been murdered by an unidentified Long Island serial killer. The film follows her relentless pursuit for answers and the truth. Deborah Norville, who covered Gilbert's story as anchor for *Inside Edition*, executive produces.

MIX UP IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

Hallmark Channel 185, 9pm

ORIGINAL FILM!

A small-town cook impersonates his big-city chef twin to compete in a culinary contest and falls for the woman in charge of the event, who thinks he is the brother who is married. Stars Jeremy Jordan and Jessica Lowndes.

All Times Eastern

Best Bets

Feb. 21

THE DATING LIST

UPtv 188, 7pm

ORIGINAL
FILM!

Abby Morel is a bright, young editor's assistant living in the big city. Wanting to get ahead in her career, she makes an unusual deal with her high-flying boss, Susan. Susan is far too busy to date, but she wants to fall in love. Abby agrees to "screen" dates for Susan in exchange for a promotion. After a couple of disasters, Abby meets Dan, who seemingly ticks all the boxes. The trouble is, she's starting to fall for him, too. A promising career now within her reach, will she risk losing it all for true love?

CHRONICLE MYSTERIES: HELPED TO DEATH

Hallmark Movies & Mysteries 187, 8pm

ORIGINAL
FILM!

Alex and Drew investigate a self-help retreat and the controversial life coach who oversees it. Starring Alison Sweeney and Benjamin Ayres.

MISS SCARLET AND THE DUKE: "THE CASE OF HENRY SCARLET"

PBS, 8pm

SEASON FINALE!

Forgery, murder and false accusation strain Eliza's (Kate Phillips) forensic skills as she gets to the bottom of her father's death, aided by the Duke (Stuart Martin) and her underworld friend Moses (Ansu Kabia).

ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL: "THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS"

PBS, 9pm

SEASON FINALE!

Siegfried (Samuel West) hosts a Christmas Eve party, with an even bigger event to follow the next day. Meanwhile, Helen (Rachael Shenton) accompanies James (Nicholas Ralph) on an emergency house call.

WHEN CALLS THE HEART

Hallmark Channel 185, 9pm

SEASON
PREMIERE!

Season 8 of Hallmark Channel's beloved primetime drama series will make its triumphant return with more surprises and challenges in store for the residents of Hope Valley, with two additional all-new episodes this season for a total of 12!

WICKED TUNA

Nat Geo 197, 9pm

SEASON
PREMIERE!

Gloucester, Massachusetts, is the oldest fishing port in the United States and for the last 10 years a fleet of Gloucester bluefin tuna fishermen have overcome obstacles, survived danger and embraced glory. But this season is their biggest test yet. With a world in flux, these fishermen fight the only way they know how: with grit, resilience and determination.

All Times Eastern

Best Bets

Feb. 22

PRISTINE SEAS

Nat Geo Wild 190, 8pm

For years the Pristine Seas project has helped protect nearly 2 million square miles of ocean. But only 7% of the ocean is protected – and it's on the brink of collapse. Follow Enric Sala and his team of marine biologists and explorers as they travel from the coral reefs of Palau to the icebergs of the Russian Arctic to the kelp forests of the Juan Fernández Islands – in a race to save our ocean.

MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Brotherly love (among other emotions) and rivalry is the theme for tonight's lineup of four films featuring stories about the relationships between various male siblings. Up first is the Best Picture Oscar-winning comedy/drama road movie *Rain Man* (1988), directed by Best Director Oscar winner Barry Levinson. It stars Tom Cruise as Charlie, a selfish young man who learns that his estranged father has died and left most of his large estate to his other son, Raymond (Best Actor Oscar winner Dustin Hoffman), an autistic savant whose existence was unknown to Charlie. Next is *East of Eden* (1955), Best Director Oscar nominee Elia Kazan's drama about a wayward young man (Best Actor Oscar nominee James Dean in his first major screen role) who vies for his deeply religious father's (Raymond Massey) affection against his favored brother (Richard Davalos). The lineup continues into late-night with the 1958 adaptation of Fyodor Dostoevsky's novel *The Brothers Karamazov*, starring Yul Brynner, Best Supporting Actor Oscar nominee Lee J. Cobb, William Shatner and Richard Basehart; and concludes with the acclaimed 1960 Italian drama *Rocco and His Brothers*.

SNOWPIERCER: "KEEP HOPE ALIVE"

TNT 138, 9pm

Layton (Daveed Diggs) and Miss Audrey (Lena Hall) make a risky play for *Big Alice*, but Wilford (Sean Bean) has his own plans.

INDEPENDENT LENS: "MR. SOUL!"

PBS, 10pm

Celebrate *SOUL!*, the public television variety show that shared Black culture with the nation. Ellis Haizlip developed *SOUL!* in 1968 as one of the first platforms to promote the vibrancy of the Black Arts Movement, and its impact continues to this day.

Best Bets

Feb. 23

NBA BASKETBALL

TNT 138, beginning at 7:30pm Live

TNT's NBA doubleheader has Jaylen Brown and the Boston Celtics on the road against Luka Dončić and the Dallas Mavericks, followed by Damian Lillard and the Portland Trail Blazers in Denver for a matchup against Paul Millsap and the Nuggets.

THE FLASH

The CW, 8pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

After a thrilling cliffhanger last season that saw the new Mirror Master (Efrat Dor) victorious and still at large in Central City, the Flash must regroup in order to stop her and find a way to make contact with his missing wife, Iris West-Allen (Candice Patton).

FINDING YOUR ROOTS: "COUNTRY ROOTS"

PBS, 8pm

Henry Louis Gates Jr. uncovers the remarkably diverse backgrounds of country music icons Clint Black and Rosanne Cash.



SUPERMAN & LOIS

NEW SERIES! ▲

The CW, 9pm

The golden couple of comic books returns to television – and now they're parents! Clark Kent a.k.a. Superman (Tyler Hoechlin) and Lois Lane (Elizabeth Tulloch) balance saving the world with parenting their two teen sons.

THE BLACK CHURCH: THIS IS OUR STORY, THIS IS OUR SONG

PBS, 9pm

Discover how the Black church expanded its reach to address social inequality and minister to those in need, from the Jim Crow South to the heroic phase of the civil rights movement, and the Black church's role in the present.

Best Bets

Feb. 24

NHL HOCKEY

NBCSN 159, beginning at 7pm Live

NBCSN's *Wednesday Night Hockey* doubleheader has the N.Y. Rangers at the Philadelphia Flyers, followed by the L.A. Kings at the St. Louis Blues.

TCM SPOTLIGHT: NOTEWORTHY AFRICAN AMERICAN PERFORMANCES

CATCH A CLASSIC!

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

As Black History Month nears its end, Turner Classic Movies offers one more evening of films featuring great performances from Black actors. Tonight, see *Take a Giant Step* (1959), *A Soldier's Story* (1984), *Sparkle* (1976) and *Broken Strings* (1940).

NOVA: "MARS 2020"

PBS, 9pm

Did life ever exist on the Red Planet? And how would discovering evidence of it change our life here on Earth? Follow along as NASA launches the Mars 2020 mission, perhaps the most ambitious hunt ever for signs of life on Mars. It will be the first time a rover will land in Jezero Crater, an ancient river delta that could possibly be a cradle of life. But Jezero is also one of the most dangerous areas for a spacecraft to land. If successful, a solar-powered rover and a four-pound helicopter will comb the area for signs of life until 2030 and collect samples for a possible return to Earth.

EUROPE'S NEW WILD: "EUROPE'S AMAZON"

PBS, 10pm

See how the habitats of the Danube Delta depend on a healthy river to continue growing. The Danube is Europe's largest preserved wetland, but many of the species that call it home are the last of their kind.

SNOWFALL

FX 136, 10pm

SEASON PREMIERE!

The 10-episode fourth season of *Snowfall* premieres with two episodes tonight. The series picks up in 1985, and reelected President Ronald Reagan has proclaimed it "morning again in America." In South Central Los Angeles, however, it feels more like the sun is getting low. Business is booming for drug dealers, but the American public and politicians are calling for a major escalation in the war on drugs.

BARONESS VON SKETCH SHOW

IFC 133, 12am (late-night)

NEW EPISODES!

The second part of the fifth and final season of this all-female Canadian sketch comedy series begins tonight.

Best Bets

Feb. 25

NBA BASKETBALL

TNT 138, beginning at 7pm Live

Joel Embiid and the Philadelphia 76ers play host to Luka Dončić and the Dallas Mavericks, and Zion Williamson leads the New Orleans Pelicans into Milwaukee for a meeting with Giannis Antetokounmpo and the Bucks.

TCM SPOTLIGHT: KISS CONNECTION

TCM 132, beginning at 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

TCM's final Thursday evening lineup of romantic films connected by certain actors starts with 1942's *The Palm Beach Story*, starring Joel McCrea (who ended last week's Kiss Connection) and Claudette Colbert. Also tonight: *Boom Town* (1940, Claudette Colbert/Clark Gable); *Mogambo* (1953, Clark Gable/Ava Gardner); *Knights of the Round Table* (1953, Ava Gardner/Robert Taylor); *Camille* (1937, Robert Taylor/Greta Garbo); *Ninotchka* (1939, Greta Garbo/Melvyn Douglas); and 1936's *Theodora Goes Wild*, starring Melvyn Douglas and Irene Dunne, who was featured in the first Kiss Connection title earlier this month.

DEATH SAVED MY LIFE

LMN 109, 8pm

ORIGINAL FILM!

This ripped from the headlines film tells the story of a woman who faked her own death. On the surface it seems Jade (Meagan Good) has it all. A successful marketing career, a husband admired and respected in the community, and a young daughter they both dote on. But behind closed doors, her life is far from idyllic.

2012

Syfy 122, 10pm

Nobody destroys the world with better special effects than Roland Emmerich (*Independence Day*, *The Day After Tomorrow*). This time the Earth is heating up, and all of humanity is at risk. Starring John Cusack, Amanda Peet and Chiwetel Ejiofor.

All Times Eastern

Watch Now! On Demand

GREENLAND

Gerard Butler, Morena Baccarin
Action
CH. 506, 530



Best Bets

Feb. 26

ESCAPE FROM NEW YORK

IFC 133, 2:45pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Cowriter/director John Carpenter's influential 1981 sci-fi/action cult classic takes place in a dystopian "future" 1997, when the island of Manhattan has been turned into a maximum-security prison. After Air Force One is hijacked and purposely crashed in New York City, ex-Special Forces soldier and current federal prison inmate Snake Plissken (Kurt Russell in one of his most iconic roles) is given just 24 hours to infiltrate New York and safely extract the president (Donald Pleasence) in exchange for a pardon. Also starring among the terrific cast are Lee Van Cleef, Ernest Borgnine, Isaac Hayes, Harry Dean Stanton and Adrienne Barbeau, and the action is further heightened by the synth-prominent musical score composed by Carpenter and Alan Howarth that manages to sound both very '80s and of the future.

NBA BASKETBALL

ESPN 140, beginning at 7:30pm Live

A twin bill of NBA action on ESPN has Domantas Sabonis and the Indiana Pacers on the road against Jaylen Brown and the Boston Celtics, followed by Damian Lillard and the Portland Trail Blazers in Los Angeles to collide with LeBron James and the defending champion Lakers.

BRUTAL BRIDESMAIDS

LMN 109, 8pm

ORIGINAL FILM!

After becoming engaged to Michael (Kevin A. Walton), a handsome and successful businessman, Jessica (Zoila Garcia) selects her five best girlfriends to be her bridesmaids. However, when the group gets together, they find themselves letting old wounds and jealousy get in the way of bonding as they all compete over Jessica's friendship. When mysterious accidents and illnesses start to afflict the group, Jessica fears one of her bridesmaids may not have her best interest at heart.

HIP HOP UNCOVERED

FX 136, 10pm

SERIES FINALE!

In the finale of the documentary series *Hip Hop Uncovered*, the genre reaches new heights with the emergence of Nicki Minaj, Gucci Mane, French Montana, Nipsey Huddle and Waka Flocka, and 50 Cent changes the face of rap music. With money flooding in, hip-hop faces a choice: Will it continue to be the voice of the streets or will it fall prey to corporate greed?

All Times Eastern

Best Bets

Feb. 27

DANCES WITH WOLVES

TCM 132, 8pm

CATCH A CLASSIC!

Winner of seven of the 12 Academy Awards for which it was nominated, including Best Picture, this 1990 Western masterpiece stars Best Director Oscar winner Kevin Costner in a Best Actor Oscar-nominated performance as John Dunbar, a Civil War soldier who requests a transfer to the Western frontier. Alone at his post, Dunbar befriends a nearby group of Lakota Sioux, slowly becoming accepted into their culture and seen as a warrior they call "Dances With Wolves." When the Army returns, Dunbar finds himself torn between two worlds, and must decide where his allegiance lies. Mary McDonnell was nominated for a Best Supporting Actress Oscar for her portrayal of Dunbar's love interest, Stands With a Fist, the white adopted daughter of the tribe's medicine man, Kicking Bird (Best Supporting Actor Oscar nominee Graham Greene). Michael Blake won an Oscar for the screenplay adaptation of his novel, while John Barry's sweeping, epic musical score also took home an Oscar.

A WILD YEAR ON EARTH

BBC America 135, 8pm

SEASON FINALE!

A Wild Year on Earth wraps up with the season finale "Full Circle," which follows Monarch butterflies migrating to the forests of Mexico, the rains providing relief to parched Southern Africa, and the warmer waters off Australia triggering the annual coral spawning on the Great Barrier Reef.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL: BAYLOR AT KANSAS

ESPN 140, 8pm Live

Two of the nation's elite teams are in action tonight at Allen Fieldhouse in Lawrence, Kansas, as the Baylor Bears visit the Jayhawks in a key Big 12 matchup.

NBA BASKETBALL: DALLAS AT BROOKLYN

ABC, 8:30pm Live

Luka Dončić and the Dallas Mavericks head east to clash with Kevin Durant and the Brooklyn Nets on ABC's Saturday NBA primetime matchup.

IT WAS ALWAYS YOU

Hallmark Channel 185, 9pm

ORIGINAL FILM!

Elizabeth's engagement plans are thrown into disarray when her fiancé's free-spirited brother David returns home. David's unexpected influence prompts Elizabeth to question her life decisions. Stars Erin Krakow and Tyler Hynes.

All Times Eastern

Best Bets

Feb. 28

HINT OF LOVE

UPtv 188, 7pm

**ORIGINAL
FILM!**

A cookbook literary agent with culinary training is tasked with helping elevate the brand of a food channel personality known for his convenience-oriented recipes. However, as the agent works with her client on a new cookbook, playfully clashing over everything from ingredients to tastes, she must choose between following the directions or her heart. Debs Howard and Dennis Andres star.

NBA BASKETBALL:

GOLDEN STATE AT L.A. LAKERS

ESPN 140, 8pm Live

Steph Curry and the Golden State Warriors face LeBron James, Anthony Davis and the Lakers.

78TH ANNUAL GOLDEN GLOBE AWARDS

NBC, 8pm Live

Among the pandemic-induced changes to the Hollywood Foreign Press Association's annual ceremony honoring the best in film and television this year, it is being held much later than usual, and the eligibility period for motion pictures has been extended to include movies released through the date of the ceremony. One major element of this year's Golden Globes that will help offset the changes and bring some sense of normalcy is the welcome return of Tina Fey and Amy Poehler as hosts; the two were critically applauded and loved by viewers during their stints hosting the Globes from 2013-15. Nominees were not available at presstime.

THE WALKING DEAD

AMC 131, 9pm

NEW EPISODES!

It's been a long wait, but fans of the series have just 30 episodes left to savor before the series concludes. The second half of Season 10 begins tonight with the first of six remaining episodes airing this spring. *The Walking Dead* universe, however, continues to expand, as the original series will be followed by a greenlit spinoff focused on Daryl Dixon (Norman Reedus) and Carol Peletier (Melissa McBride), which will premiere in 2023.

MEN IN KILTS: A ROADTRIP WITH SAM AND GRAHAM: "SONG AND DANCE"

Starz 350, 9pm

Music and dance play an integral role in the culture of Scotland. *Outlander* stars Sam Heughan and Graham McTavish set out to meet the artists who continue this tradition and try everything from sword dancing to sheepherding.

All Times Eastern