

## Taking Africa's content to the world

The African Channel will air a collection of 20 new primetime series representing premium drama, lifestyle, and news programming from Africa during 2019.



TV series, High Rollers.

This programming, as well as the streaming of over 50 hours of African content in support of Black History Month on Comcast's Xfinity platform, represents significant success for African producers whose work will now be available around the globe, providing these producers a north American and Caribbean voice.

Vice president of programming and acquisitions, Karen Juve, explains further: "We have been extremely fortunate to be able to tap into the increasing pool of talent from the continent and beyond, to present world-class content that is bold, diverse and globally appealing to North American audiences."

Many of these shows have a proven track record of success amongst African audiences and now they will be exposed to a much wider global audience of millions. The Africa Channel is a unique platform globally, with its 100% focus on African content, the channel provides multiple opportunities for African content producers to take their place on the global stage.

The collection of popular shows scheduled for broadcast and streaming in 2019 reflect a range of genres, and have been sourced from outstanding producers and distributors including, M-Net Studios, SABC, and Kew Media Group.

## FOOD & LIFESTYLE SERIES

*Cooking with Siba* and *The Hostess* each feature celebrity female chefs, one who puts a healthy spin on her favourite recipes, the other who celebrates dining and creative entertaining for food and lifestyle connoisseurs.

## DRAMA SERIES

*iNumber Number*, *Hard Copy* and *High Rollers* offer a new spin on street warfare, newsroom drama and high-stake gambling respectively.

## DAYTIME SOAP

Soaps make a return on The Africa Channel with *The Wild*, shot entirely on location at a five-star game lodge, capitalising on the breathtaking beauty of the African wild as three families challenge each other's right to the land.

## REALITY & DOCU-REALITY SERIES

*The Wedding Bash(ers)* finds couples willing to put their big day under the scrutiny of celebrity fashion, food, décor and entertainment "experts" in order to win a second honeymoon and other big-ticket prizes. *Crimes Uncovered* takes viewers through the criminal investigations of true South African crimes through interviews, dramatizations and archival footage as each case unfolds. Both shows premiere Spring 2019.

*Monochrome: Black, White and Blue* is a 3-part series on the history of blues music featuring musical performances and interviews with Morgan Freeman, Chuck Berry, B.B. King, and more.

*Emancipation Road* is a 7-part series, which takes viewers on a journey from the Atlantic slave trade to the election of President Barack Obama.

*Shaka Zulu*, the epic drama series can now also be seen on The Africa Channel.

The Africa Channel and its production arm, TAC Studios, is a showcase for the African continent's most outstanding English-language television series, specials, documentaries, feature films, music, biographies and cultural and historical content. The channel's mission is to open up a daily window into modern African life and, in the process, help demystify Africa for viewers globally.

The Africa Channel is based in Los Angeles and is available in approximately seven million homes in North America and the Caribbean on cable systems such as Comcast, Charter/Spectrum, and the Caribbean Cable Cooperative.

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