

Tiffany Haddish, Netflix highlighting diverse comedians in stand-up showcase series

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Tiffany Haddish is partnering with Netflix for a new curated stand-up series. The series, called Tiffany Haddish Presents: They Ready, will feature six half-hour sets from up-and-coming stand-up comedians.

Haddish hand-picked the group of comics: Chaunté Wayans, April Macie, Tracey Ashley, Aida Rodriguez, Flame Monroe, and Marlo Williams. After each set, Haddish shares stories about how she met the comedian in the scene or while working in TV. She'll also evaluate why she knows "they ready."

"I am introducing six of my favorite comedians—in my eyes, they are super stars," Haddish said. "The epitome of They Ready." The line-up for the show prominently showcases women of color, something that Netflix's comedy division has lacked in the past. Of over 40 English-speaking Netflix comedy specials last year, only six came from women—the one woman of color was Ali Wong.

The show's title pays homage to her signature catchphrase, "She ready!" which was also the name of her 2017 Showtime comedy special.

Haddish is joined by Push It Productions and executive producers Wanda Sykes and Page Hurwitz on the showcase series. They Ready will be the second show Haddish will produce for Netflix. She is also an executive producer on and star of Tuca and Bertie, which is set to premiere in May.



Netflix adds Tiffany Haddish series to comedy offerings

Netflix has become the king of stand-up comedy specials paying top comics millions of dollars (or just hundreds of thousands of dollars if you're Mo'Nique) for hourlong sets. Not only did the streaming giant jump over HBO in the comedy specials game, but they also surpassed Comedy Central in producing stand-up showcases that break younger and lesser-known comedians. They Ready joins The Standups, The Comedy Lineup, and The Degenerates in highlighting shorter sets.

They Ready does not have a release date yet, but Haddish will tape the specials at the Nate Holden Performing Arts Center on March 26 and 27.

Haddish currently stars in TBS's The Last O.G. alongside Tracy Morgan. She will also appear in upcoming films such as The Kitchen, The Secret Life of Pets 2, and Limited Partners.

While Haddish has not posted about the series on her social media, Monroe posted a video of Haddish as well as a flyer for the comedy special taping in Los Angeles.