

Behind-the-Scenes Look at Cast, Staff and Success of M*A*S*H

"Making M*A*S*H," a ninety-minute special narrated by Mary Tyler Moore, takes a behind-the-camera look at one of television's pioneering comedy series on January 21 at 8 p.m. on Center Channel 4.

Taped on location on the M*A*S*H Hollywood set, the special seeks to answer many of the questions which fans ask week after week: Why does this half-hour dramatic comedy succeed while countless other television series fail to consistently produce top quality programs? How has the show survived major turnovers in its cast and production staff for nine seasons? Yet, as successful as it is, Burt Metcalf, executive producer of the series for the first six years, surmises that "if M*A*S*H were a pilot today, you couldn't sell it."

"Making M*A*S*H" interviews the series' current and past stars as well as producers, writers and directors. Television cameras follow the cast and staff on and off the M*A*S*H set as they plan, rehearse and film a show. Alan Alda (Hawkeye Pierce), Mike Farrell (B.J. Hunnicutt), Jamie Farr (Klinger), Loretta Swit (Major Margaret Houlihan), William Christopher (Father Mulcahy), Harry Morgan (Col. Sherman Potter), David Ogden Stiers (Charles Emerson Winchester III), Larry Linville (Frank Burns) and

Wayne Rogers (Trapper John) discuss the challenge they have faced during their tenure in the series. They evaluate what they feel were some of the memorable M*A*S*H programs and what the series sought to achieve.

The cast and staff also talk about their rapport with one another, the series relations with the CBS Network and the shows' similarities with the original M*A*S*H movie.

While talking about what makes M*A*S*H a unique program on television, Alan Alda explains that each episode recreates a time of revelation, suffering and joy that happened to real people at a real time. We know what they went through and in a way, we are going through it and we (the cast and writers) can't ignore that. We can't be casual in the face of that. M*A*S*H is not a sitcom.

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7:00	Kroff Superstars	Jerry Falwell	Fat Albert		Jimmy Swaggart	1981 United Cerebral Palsy Telethon	James Robison It Is Written	Jimmy Swaggart Changed Lives
7:15	Rex Humbard		Big Blue Marble					
7:30		Kenneth Copeland	3 Robonic Stooges		Ever Increasing Faith		Three Stooges & Friends	Cerebral Palsy Telethon
7:45	Oral Roberts		Jason Of Star Command					
8:00	Sunday Morning	PTL Club	Sunday Morning		Dr. Jerry Falwell		Lost In Space	Jimmy Swaggart
8:15								
8:30								
8:45								
9:00	Day Of Discovery		Gospel Jubilee		United Cerebral Palsy Telethon		Hazel	Robert Schuller
9:15							Theatre: "Mister"	
9:30	Light Unto My Path	Jimmy Swaggart	Face The Nation				Roberts'	Cerebral Palsy Telethon
9:45	Face The Nation							
10:00	Carolina Basketball TBA	Meet The Press Carolina Basketball	F. Y. I.					
10:15			Your Local Station					
10:30	NBA Basketball	NCAA Basketball	NBA Basketball	Firing Line			Theatre: "The Garden Of Allah"	
10:45								
11:00				Great Performances			Theatre: "A Very"	
11:15								
11:30		Sports Journal New Orleans Super Bowl	Grand Prix Masters Tennis	World Of Mother Teresa			Special Favor	
11:45								
12:00		Party		Julia Child				
12:15								
12:30		Bob Hope Desert		Victory Garden			Theatre: "Jack"	
12:45								
1:00		Classic		Lawmakers			And The Beanstalk	
1:15				Wall Street Week				
1:30								
1:45								
2:00	News2		CBS News	N. Carolina People Almanac			Wrestling	
2:15								
2:30	CBS News	NBC News	Reel Perspective					
2:45								
3:00	60 Minutes	Disney	60 Minutes	Go Tell It From Jumpstreet	Lawrence Welk	Those Amazing Animals	TUSH	Those Amazing Animals
3:15								
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3:45								
4:00	One Day At	Chips	One Day At	Shock Of	Lawrence	Charlie's	Martin	
4:15								
4:30	A Time		A Time	King Jr.	Walk	Angels	Luther "The Birthday Tribute"	Charlie's Angels
4:45								
5:00	Alice	Bob Hope Anniversar-	Alice	Masterpiece	Undersea	ABC Movie:	Atlanta	ABC Movie:
5:15								
5:30	Jeffersons	Show	Jeffersons	Theatre	World Of Jacques Cousteau	Choirboys	Hawks vs. Phoenix	"The Choirboys"
5:45								
6:00	Trapper John M.D.		Trapper John M.D.	An Evening With Dickran Alaman	News			
6:15								
6:30								
6:45								
7:00	News CBS News Don Corbett Show	TBA	News CBS News Monte Carlo Show		Movie: "Forty Pounds Of Trouble"	News ABC News	TBS News	News ABC News
7:15								
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7:45								
8:00	Starsky & Hutch					J. Valvano Show Duke Basketball	Ruff House Open Up	J. Valvano Show Duke Basketball
8:15								
8:30		Charles Young	Gunsmoke					
8:45								



OSSIE DAVIS AND RUBY DEE are hosts of "With Ossie & Ruby," a new variety-entertainment series of thirteen half-hour programs, premiering soon on PBS channels (check local listings). Produced for PBS by KERA, Dallas/Fort Worth, the series is a celebration of life reflecting America's multi-cultural heritage. Photo by Kawame Brathwaite



Black inventor Andrew J. Beard was awarded \$50,000 by the U.S. in 1897 for inventing the railroad coupler.

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