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Wentworth and Grand Designs Australia come to ABC and iview

Multi-award-winning Australian drama **Wentworth** is to make its Australian free-to-air television debut when series one begins screening on the ABC on April 12 at 9pm.

Wentworth is a contemporary drama set in a prison which initially follows Bea Smith's (Danielle Cormack) incarceration and her subsequent rise to the top of the prison's hierarchy.

This ground-breaking and much acclaimed Foxtel drama has gained popularity worldwide, and has garnered multiple nominations and numerous awards including three Logies; three AACTA awards and three ASTRA awards for both the show itself and members of its cast. Additionally, Danielle Cormack and Robbie Magasiva were nominated (respectively) for Outstanding Actress and Actor in a Drama Series at the Monte Carlo TV Festival.

Many of Australia's finest and most loved actors have had ongoing roles or made guest appearances on **Wentworth**, including: Nicole da Silva, Aaron Jeffery, Sigrid Thornton, Kris McQuade, Kate Jenkinson, Catherine McClements, Leeanna Walsman, Libby Tanner, Lynette Curran, Hunter Page-Lochard, Martin Sacks and Kate Atkinson.

The ABC is also very excited that **Grand Designs Australia** is about to find a home on free to air. Grand Designs Australia – also from Foxtel - is a local adaptation of the British series of the same name, and sees host and architect Peter Maddison chronicle the construction of grand and unusual houses.

Grand Designs, the British version starring Kevin McLeod, has been one of ABC's most popular programs since it first appeared on our screens more than a decade ago, so we can't wait to present our viewers with this additional offering.

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