

DOCTOR WHO

New Season Starts Monday 8 October



Sunday 7 to Saturday 13 October 2018

WEEK 41 HIGHLIGHTS



EXPOSED: THE CASE OF KELI LANE
Concludes Tuesday 9 October 8.30pm

SUPERWOG **COMEDY**
Tuesday 9 October 9.30pm **+iVIEW**



Doctor Who

The last time viewers saw the Doctor, she was falling from her TARDIS so it's about time for the Doctor to land. This time it's all change, as *Doctor Who* is moving to Monday nights, launching on Monday 8 October. The new season comprises 10 x 50-minute episodes, kicking off with a feature length 65-minute opening episode. The series will be available on ABC iView directly after the UK's broadcast and will air on ABC in HD that night (time TBC).

This year marks a brand-new era with a new showrunner, a new Doctor, new friends and a whole host of new monsters – so it's only fitting that the new Time Lord will land in a new time zone on ABC.

Showrunner Chris Chibnall made the decision to cast the first ever woman in the iconic role. He has also shaken up who will travel with the Doctor, with a team of new friends. Jodie will be joined by an all new regular cast - Bradley Walsh will star as Graham O'Brien, Tosin Cole will play Ryan Sinclair and Mandip Gill will play Yasmin Khan. Also joining the series in a returning role is Sharon D. Clarke.

Earlier this year, Jodie unveiled a new logo and insignia, and it was announced that the series is scored by burgeoning composer Segun Akinola. Segun has provided an exciting and emotional score beckoning in a new series for the show, including a fresh take on the legendary theme tune.

Chris Chibnall also recently introduced the team behind the new series. The writing team includes: Malorie Blackman, Ed Hime, Pete McTighe, and Joy Wilkinson. The directors are: Sallie Aprahamian, Jamie Childs, Jennifer Perrott, and Mark Tonderai. Chibnall has also written the first episode of the brand-new series which is titled "The Woman Who Fell to Earth".

With the Doctor on her way, it's only a matter of time before viewers can enjoy being transported out of this world this spring.

Production details

A BBC production

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Whovians

Rove McManus and his team of super fans are also back, with *Whovians*, the half-hour *Doctor Who* fan show, returning to ABC COMEDY on Monday nights (Time TBC).

Airing Monday nights after the ABC's broadcast of *Doctor Who*, Rove will be joined again by Adam Richards, Tegan Higginbotham, Steven O'Donnell, Justin Hamilton and guests, with the team ready to welcome Jodie Whittaker and her new time travelling friends.

"I'm thrilled to be back with the *Whovians* team to talk, dissect and geek-out about *Doctor Who*, our favourite show on TV. Especially since we'd happily do it for free without television cameras anyway. It's also going to be extra exciting this year as we welcome Jodie Whittaker to the role of the Doctor. I can't wait to see where it takes us," said Rove McManus.

Filmed in front of a live studio audience, the 11th series of *Doctor Who* offers a galaxy of things for Rove and the panel to dissect, delve into and celebrate. So get ready to get on board.

#WhoviansAU

Short synopsis

Rove McManus & his team of super fans - Adam Richards, Tegan Higginbotham, Steven O'Donnell, Justin Hamilton and guests - are back & are ready to dissect, delve into and celebrate the 11th series of *Doctor Who*. #WhoviansAU

Production details

An ABC Television production

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Exposed: The Case Of Keli Lane

After a two-year Homicide investigation fails to obtain an admission of murder from Keli Lane, she's sensationally charged by the NSW Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions with killing her baby Tegan. Journalists Caro Meldrum-Hanna and Elise Worthington's investigation reaches a crescendo, going behind the scenes of the dramatic and lengthy criminal trial, which ended with a guilty verdict. Despite there being no body, no weapon, no witnesses to Keli Lane's movements during the key window of time after she left the maternity ward with Tegan and arrived home without the baby, and no clear motive beyond reasonable doubt, the jury were convinced of her guilt. Keli was found guilty by a majority of 11 to 1 jurors who believed Keli's litany of lies over the course of her three secret pregnancies and adoptions were an indication of her guilt. Caro's investigation reveals the extraordinary back room machinations that lay behind the sensational murder trial.

Now eight years into Keli's 18-year prison sentence, will Caro discover new evidence that supports Keli Lane's claim of innocence, or confirm the guilty verdict? Caro tracks down new players and examines the memories of others, raising big questions. As Caro continues to negotiate the intense psychological minefield at the heart of the saga, a new character shares some startling information. Yet the burning question remains: Is Keli lying to Caro about the identity of Andrew Morris/Norris? The only person who can answer that is Keli herself.

#ExposedABC

Short synopsis

Keli Lane's lies come back to haunt her when she is charged with baby Tegan's murder. In the season final of Exposed, Caro and Elise investigate what went on behind the scenes in Keli's extraordinary murder trial.

Production details

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Ask The Doctor: Ageing Well

Is growing old and frail inevitable? Is it possible to slow down our biological clocks? The doctors discover there's plenty that can be done to protect against premature ageing.

The amount our body's condition has declined is known as our biological age, and the good news is it's something everyone has the power to change. Sandro sets up a pop-up clinic with ageing expert Professor Andrea Maier at Melbourne University, to find out what lifestyle changes can reduce someone's biological age. A diverse group of volunteers are subjected to a slew of physical and mental tests. For some participants the results come as a shock when it's revealed just how old their bodies are compared to the number of birthdays they've had.

Caroline takes to the streets with comedian Jean Kittson to find out how much people really know about the taboo topic of menopause. Along with a group of friends, they throw an unusual party to celebrate this next stage of life and break down harmful myths. But what about the treatments? Caroline discovers that it was a flawed study which kept many women away from hormone replacement therapy for more than a decade, and she reveals effective new alternatives.

How many of us think about the effects that lifestyles have on our brains? And what are the repercussions on long term mental health? Shalin reveals the best tips for reducing the risk of dementia. Whilst there are things to avoid, it's also about having fun. Shalin attends a swing dance club, to determine exactly how it can stimulate both mind and body.

#AskTheDoctor

Short synopsis

Is growing old and frail inevitable? Sandro discovers how to stay younger for longer; Shalin shows fun ways to stave off dementia; and Caroline breaks down menopause myths by throwing an unusual party.

Production details

A WTFN production, developed and produced in association with the ABC and produced with the assistance of Film Victoria. Series Producer: Ged Wood; Executive Producer: Ariel White; ABC Commissioning Editor: Julie Hanna; ABC Head of Factual: Steve Bibb.

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Superwog

Superwog, ABC COMEDY's first original scripted series and ABC's first YouTube series collaboration, follows the often misunderstood, dysfunctional Superwog family as they struggle to navigate life in Australian suburbia. Superwog (Theodore Saidden) is a girls and fast food-obsessed teen, enrolled in a prestigious private school. His misadventures with best friend Johnny (Nathan Saidden) often cause Superwog's emotionally primitive, highly-strung father (again Nathan Saidden) extreme stress as he battles to keep his delusional, but fiercely loyal wife (again Theo Saidden) happy.

Developed over eight years by Theodore and Nathan, the [Superwog YouTube channel](#) has garnered an extraordinary 185+ million YouTube views and over 905k subscribers, cementing their spot amongst Australia's most watched YouTube comedy creators.

[The Superwog pilot](#), funded by Screen Australia and YouTube as part of the Skip Ahead initiative, was the highest trending YouTube video in Australia last year, with in excess of 3.7 million views (90% Australian based).

Produced by **Superwog** and Princess Pictures, this full series continues on from [The Superwog pilot](#) with six brand new half-hour episodes premiering on Sundays at 6pm on the [Superwog YouTube channel](#), and then airing Tuesdays at 9.30pm on ABC COMEDY and iview.

Short synopsis

Continuing on from the smash hit YouTube pilot, follow Superwog & best friend Johnny as their misadventures cause Superwog's primitive, highly-strung father stress as he battles to keep his delusional, but loyal wife happy.

Production details

Superwog is a Princess Pictures and Superwog production for YouTube and the ABC with principal production investment from Screen Australia in association with the ABC and financed with support from Film Victoria and YouTube Series. Producer Amanda Reedy. Executive Producers Emma Fitzsimons and Elia Eliades. Created, written, co-produced by and starring Theodore Saidden and Nathan Saidden. Produced by Paul Walton. Directed by Theodore Saidden. ABC Executive Producers Rick Kalowski and Lauren Merolli.

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Rake

After 15 weeks in office, Gareth Morrow (William McInnes) has been toppled and, aided and abetted by his half-brother Joe (Mark Mitchinson), Cal McGregor (Damien Garvey) is now Prime Minister. Meanwhile, a stolen kiss with the bride of the Chinese Premier's cousin's son causes an international incident all of Cleaver's (Richard Roxburgh) doing.

When Cleaver accidentally lets 'Princess' escape, a devastated Jakub (Jacek Koman) calls in Cleaver's now substantial debt or he loses a finger. Meanwhile, Cleaver is evicted with just an hour's notice for subletting his apartment – and with nowhere else to go, Missy (Adrienne Pickering) and Winsome turn up at Wendy's (Caroline Brazier) to find that Fuzz (Keegan Joyce) has returned from Silicon Valley after being dumped by his older lover and former boss Claudia.

Arrested, Cleaver is charged with the fraudulent use of government property for personal financial gain as a result of Nicole's (Kate Box) mother's extremely successful crèche. Cleaver enlightens David Potter (Matt Day) that sloppy maintenance was made to look like a terrorist attack for political purposes ... information he can use in return for defending Cleaver in the crèche case, with a reliable old enemy – Hunter (Miriam Margolyes) - to defend Nicole and her mother.

With the sudden passing of the Chief Justice, Potter has added weight with the Judge (Chris Haywood), as he is not only chairing the Senate Committee looking into the cause of the explosion – but is also leading the Advisory Committee on Judicial appointments. Fearing Cleaver knows too much, Cal and Joe, together with Jack (Tasma Walton), hatch an explosive plan in a further cover up with 'extreme prejudice'. Is this curtains for Cleaver Greene?

#Rake

Short synopsis

Morrow has been toppled and, aided and abetted by his half-brother Joe, Cal McGregor is now Prime Minister. Following an international incident and a monumental cover up, will the capitol implode whilst our heroes chose to explode? (Final)

Production details

Produced by Ian Collie, Peter Duncan and Richard Roxburgh. Rake is an Easy Tiger and Blow by Blow production for ABC produced in association with Create NSW.

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Bluey

Bluey is a loveable, inexhaustible little six-year-old Blue Heeler dog, who lives with her Mum, Dad and her four-year-old little sister. Like every kid her age, the thing Bluey likes to do best is play games. Sometimes she plays on her own with her favourite toy, Polly Puppy, but most of the time she plays with sister Bingo. Bluey takes the everyday events of family life like going to the shops, paying at the supermarket or visiting the doctor and transforms them into unique gameplay, turning everyday moments into idiosyncratic adventures.

Fruit Bat - Monday 8 October at 8am on ABC KIDS

Not wanting to go to bed, Bluey tries to dream about being a nocturnal fruit bat so she can stay up all night long and soon finds herself flying through the night sky.

Horsey Ride: Tuesday 9 October at 8am on ABC KIDS

When Bluey forgets to put her favourite toy away, cousin Socks grabs it and won't let go! The kids stage a horsey wedding to distract her, with Dad and Uncle Stripe as the horses!

Hotel – Wednesday 10 October at 8am on ABC KIDS

Bluey and Bingo run a crazy 'Hotel' with Dad as their put upon guest. But when Bingo quits over Bluey being too controlling, Dad needs to teach them the importance of compromise.

Bike – Thursday 11 October at 8am on ABC KIDS

At the park, Bluey is struggling to learn how to ride her bike. But as she and Dad watch her friends' determination with their own tasks, Bluey is inspired to give it another try.

Bob Bilby – Friday 12 October at 8am on ABC KIDS

When it's Bingo's turn to bring her Kindy's Bob Bilby puppet home and record their weekend in the scrapbook, the family resolve to put down their screens and show him a good time.

Spy Game – Saturday 13 October at 8am on ABC KIDS

When Bingo stops playing Bluey's spy game in the park, their device to control the grownups stops working properly! Bluey now sees how important Bingo is and needs to win her back!

Short synopsis

Bluey is an inexhaustible six-year-old Blue Heeler dog, who loves to turn everyday family life into boundless, playful adventures, developing her imagination as well as her mental, physical and emotional resilience.

Production details

Bluey is a Ludo Studio production for the Australian Broadcasting Corporation. Principal production investment from BBC Studios, Australian Broadcasting Corporation and Screen Australia. Developed and produced with the assistance of Screen Queensland.

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Tick F***ing Tock

The Doug Anthony Allstars were international comedy superstars, until Tim Ferguson unexpectedly pulled the plug, breaking the hearts of Paul McDermott and Richard Fidler. Years later they discovered Tim had Multiple Sclerosis (MS), and put aside their differences to re-unite and live the glory days again.

This two-part series, **Tick F***ing Tock**, chronicles the story of the bad boys of Australian comedy - for the first time they confront how Tim's MS has impacted on their friendships at each step to international stardom.

In this episode, the boys reform as 'the cripple' (Tim Ferguson now in a wheelchair), 'the superstar' (Paul McDermott) and 'the pensioner' (Paul Livingston who replaces Richard Fidler). And once again, just like 30 years ago, they quickly find success.

The Allstars make a triumphant return to the Edinburgh comedy festival, with their shows described as more brilliant than ever. Audiences are moved by Paul McDermott making fun of Tim's MS and their audacious humour and angelic songs.

But it's not easy. The ancient cobblestones of Edinburgh's streets and the stifling heat in the venues put a lot of stress on Tim, which flows through to the rest of the group. Paul Livingston observes how their show is about 'falling apart, about being old, about not being able to cope any more. It works really well because we are not really acting. None of us.'

Tim's MS limits his movements. It takes him a long time to get dressed and he needs assistance to shower, but he remains optimistic and keeps that trademark sense of humour – both on and off stage.

He performs a poem at his own funeral and assures the audience he will probably die before them ... Tick F***ing Tock.

#DAASTFT

Short synopsis

Tim Ferguson's diagnosis of Multiple Sclerosis prompted the Doug Anthony Allstars to break up. Thirty years later it also gave the comedy superstars the impetus to reform.

Production details

Tick F***ing Tock is a GNW TV production. Written and directed by Ted Robinson. Produced by Ted Robinson and Anna Cater.

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Hard Quiz

Four contestants fight through four rounds to determine who's the Hardest Quizzer. But knowledge only counts for so much – they also have to match wits with comedian Tom Gleeson. Tonight's bold contenders for the Big Brass Mug are Buffy the Vampire Slayer expert Sarah, Smashing Pumpkins expert Matt, Julio-Claudian Dynasty expert Andrew, and Oasis expert Peter. Who can play the hardest?

#HardQuiz

Short synopsis

Contestants bring the knowledge while Tom Gleeson brings the fun. Tonight's contenders are Buffy the Vampire Slayer expert Sarah, Smashing Pumpkins expert Matt, Julio-Claudian Dynasty expert Andrew, and Oasis expert Peter.

Production details

A Thinkative TV production. Executive Producer: Chris Walker. Producers: Kevin Whyte, Charlie Pickering, Tom Gleeson. Series Producer: John Tabbagh.

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Back In Very Small Business

Angry with Bridget, Don gets delivery of the cowhide chairs and sells them himself on Gumtree. When Bridget confronts him, Don lies and they break up, arguing about who is breaking up with whom. Don and Sam receive letters demanding they attend mediation at the ATO. Alex demands income derived from the family trust in his name – and Sam’s name. Sam can’t deal with family conflict and comes to work drunk, where Ray kindly looks after her. Don responds by issuing Alex with a counter claim and is surprised by how furious Alex is. Ray giddily enjoys his new secret romance with Yvonne.

#BackInVerySmallBusiness

Short synopsis

Angry with Bridget, Don advertises the cowhide chairs on Gumtree. Don and Sam must attend mediation at the ATO. Don’s son Alex demands income derived from the family trust and Sam struggles to deal with the family conflict.

Production details

A Gristmill Production in association with The Australian Broadcasting Corporation. Created and written by Robyn Butler, Wayne Hope and Gary McCaffrie. Directed by Robyn Butler. Produced by Robyn Butler and Wayne Hope. Executive Producers Robyn Butler, Wayne Hope and Greg Sitch. ABC Executive Producer Rick Kalowski. Financed in Association with Fulcrum Media Finance and Media Super. Produced with the assistance of Film Victoria. Financed with the support of Screen Australia.

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Black Comedy

In this episode we revisit the men and women of *Blakforce SCU: Special Coconut Unit* as Detective Wagtail and Officer Nath try to identify a mole within their ranks. When good old fashioned Blakforce policing doesn't prove effective, they turn to the one person who might know something, the Queen Coconut herself, Detective Graham, who's been rotting in her prison cell, biding her time and plotting revenge since her arrest in Black Comedy Series 2.

There's also an appearance by the Tracker, who's trying to hunt down an elusive remote control, the Bondi Blackfella, who finds himself torn between saving a life and enjoying a cup of tea, the Boomerang Brothers, who turn their hands to shifting baked goods, Auntie Mary, who gives her niece Lou the all-over tan she never wanted, and Trent, who visits the TAB to try his hand at gambling and loses bigtime. Meanwhile the Wigglymuyu Dancers celebrate the tradition of being broke, and things get heated when the occupants of the share house, Tasha, Nicole and Tyrone, argue the pros and cons of giving their white cleaner a pay rise.

Along the way we also meet a mechanic with a new-age spiritual bent and enjoy a game of scrabble in which an Indigenous player attempts to outsmart his opponents by using traditional words, the sort you can't find in a dictionary, that have been handed down from generation to generation.

Short synopsis:

We revisit the men and women of Blakforce SCU, there is an appearance by the Tracker, the Boomerang Brothers try to sell baked goods and we meet a mechanic with a new-age spiritual bent.

Production details:

A Scarlett Pictures Production for ABC. Producer Kath Shelper and Mark O'Toole. ABC Executive Producer Kelrick Martin

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Line Of Duty

A dismembered body is discovered, and worries grow when DCI Roz Huntley fails to report for duty.

AC12 crank up their investigation into Operation Trapdoor, concerned that Michael Farmer will go to jail for crimes he didn't commit.

With suspicions that Roz may have withheld crucial evidence, a new DCI is drafted in to run Operation Trapdoor.

Kate makes progress in her undercover role, but AC-12's investigation falters when they realise that their main informant, forensic investigator Tim Ifield, has also gone missing.

Stars Thandie Newton, Adrian Dunbar, Vicky McClure, Martin Compston, Jason Watkins, Lee Ingleby, Paul Higgins.

Short synopsis

A dismembered body is found, and worries grow when DCI Roz Huntley fails to report for Duty. AC-12 challenge the case against Michael Farmer.

Production details

Written and created by Jed Mercurio. Directed by Jed Mercurio. Produced by Cáit Collins. Executive Producers: Jed Mercurio, Simon Heath and Stephen Wright.

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