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# Week08 Highlights

Newton's Law Thursday 23 February 8.30pm



**IVICW** Wednesday 22 February 8.00pm



My Year 12 Life Series Premiere Monday 20 Feb 7.30pm



## Newton's Law

Josephine and Lewis inherit a murder trial where all the evidence points to their client being guilty, while Johnny and Skye are reluctantly thrown together to help defend Skye's father from an assault charge involving a decimated rose bush.

Josephine and Lewis have little time to prepare for a murder trial in which their client, Lana, is accused of brutally assaulting her personal trainer with her own distinctive pink dumbbell. Downstairs, Johnny is



lamenting the lack of paying clients when Skye Stewart returns to Chatterjees, asking them to defend her father, Frank, against an assault charge. Johnny and Skye team up to visit Frank's retirement village to try and persuade a reluctant eyewitness to talk. Despite the lack of evidence, Skye's Dad is determined to go to court and thrash it out, but the notion of walking into a courtroom terrifies Helena. Josephine encourages her to make her courtroom debut, but Helena secretly enlists the help of Josephine's upstairs colleague Craig.

As Josephine and Lewis unearth new evidence during their murder trial, the pair grapple with a surprising realisation of their own – in their university days, Lewis was ready to commit to Josephine, but a misunderstanding made them go their separate ways – prompting them to recalibrate their relationship.

#### #NewtonsLaw

#### Short synopsis

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#### **Production details**

An Every Cloud Production in association with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation, Screen Australia and Film Victoria. Created by Deb Cox and Fiona Eagger. Produced by Fiona Eagger, Deb Cox and Anna Molyneaux. Executive Producers Fiona Eagger and Deb Cox. ABC Executive Producers Brett Sleigh and Alastair McKinnon.

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## **Dream Gardens**

Mother Nature can be your best friend, but she can also be your worst enemy. Stewart and Sandra Hart lost their home, garden and wonderful memories in the devastating Black Saturday bushfires of 2009.

Rather than face the painful process of rebuilding, the Harts bought a property in a bucolic, country valley an hour's drive from Melbourne. In search of inspiration for the garden, they visited Stonefields, the home of Paul Bangay, one of Australia's most in demand designers.



Blown away by its beauty and idyllic setting they've tasked Paul with the job of recreating his magic in their own back yard.

The design is grand and ambitious with a focus on opening up the garden to the valley beyond and framing classic Australian views with well over a thousand plants and trees. As a tribute to the property's heritage Sandra and Stewart have salvaged some of the old garden's plants and challenged Paul to incorporate these into the plans.

The icing on the cake is a spectacular swimming pool: a source of water for their future bushfire prevention strategy and a place in which their grandkids can enjoy long summer days.

This is a story of regeneration and reward.

#### **#DreamGardens**

#### Short synopsis

Stewart and Sandra lost their home and garden in the devastating 2009 Black Saturday bushfires. Now it's time to start again with a spectacular, new garden designed by one of Australia's most well-known designers, Paul Bangay

#### Production details

ABC Executive Producer: Richard Huddleston. ABC Series Producer: Jo Wathen.

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## Julia Zemiro's Home Delivery

A documentary series in which the playful and entertaining Julia Zemiro walks notable people down memory lane. Each episode begins with Julia and her companion driving back to their old stomping ground. They travel through time, all the while talking about life's big questions including the past, present and future.



This series features revealing and surprising interviews with actor Sam Neill, Olympian Cathy Freeman,

musicians Kasey Chambers and Colin Hay, media heavyweights Lee Lin Chin and Annabel Crabb, former journo and current senator Derryn Hinch, academic Susan Carland and comedians Tim Ferguson and Ronny Chieng. Julia travels from South Australia to Far North Queensland, from Dunedin to Singapore.

Julia is an interviewer of great charm, wit and depth. She puts her guests at ease with her genuine curiosity and warmth, and they respond by opening up and sharing parts of their lives not usually revealed.

Each trip back in time is as different as the guests themselves. Some can't wait to walk through the door of a place that will always feel like home, some want to run away, and for others the family home is where Mum and Dad still live now. Walking the corridors of a former school brings up happy memories for many, while others step with trepidation through hallways that are full of ghosts. For all of them, returning to the scenes of their formative years is a powerful experience, sometimes overwhelmingly joyous, sometimes bittersweet.

### #HomeDelivery

#### **Short Synopsis**

Julia Zemiro travels around Australia to take some of her favourite people down memory lane. Joining her on the road this week is colourful media heavyweight, Lee Lin Chin.

#### **Production details**

A Cordell Jigsaw Zapruder production. Presenter and co-producer Julia Zemiro. CJZ Executive Producer Nick Murray. CJZ Executive Producer / Director Damian Davis. Series Producer Polly Connolly. Producer Nick Price. ABC Executive Producer Richard Huddleston. ABC Head of Entertainment Jon Casimir.

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## My Year 12 Life

At the start of 2016, the ABC and Princess Pictures launched an unprecedented television experiment. After scouring the country and watching hundreds of auditions, they gave cameras to a diverse group of 14 teenagers to film the most dramatic 12 months of their lives – Year 12.

The resulting 'vlogumentary' series is packed with emotion, hilarity, heartbreak and suspense – what will their Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) numbers be? What will they go through to achieve these results?



Pioneering a new form of storytelling, there were no film crews, nor producers on the ground, just 14 teenagers self-documenting their stories straight to camera in their own way. The resulting footage captures the raw drama of their final year of school, and reminds us how pivotal Year 12 is, what the future looks like at 18, and shines a light on how this has changed over the years.

Inspired by the serious stress the ATAR is putting on kids, this series aims to start a national conversation about the pressures of Year 12 and explores how our education system prepares young people to enter further studies or the workforce.

In each episode the students talk about the issues they're facing, including the pressure of the impending ATAR exams- and how they feel this will define their future; parental, cultural and school pressures; body image; stress and anxiety; and school and social life balance. The vlog diaries give the students an avenue to vent about these issues – their honest, candid, often humorous, and sometimes heartbreaking confessions will hit a nerve with all viewers.

ABC is offering My Year 12 Life across its on-air and digital platforms allowing viewers the opportunity to watch the series on a platform that best suits them:

\* ABC ME – Mondays to Wednesday at 7.30pm from Monday, February 20

\* ABC – Sundays at 6.30pm from Sunday, February 26

\* **ABC iview** and **ABC ME app** – will house all full episodes as catch-up from February 20 as well as over 400 pieces of additional content. The additional content will be live from February 10 as an introduction to the 14 students.

\* **ABC ME YouTube** – will also be used to distribute My Year 12 Life to the widest possible Australian audience

#### Episode one: Monday, February 20 at 7.30pm on ABC ME

Meet 14 students as they learn to document themselves going through their final year of high school through daily video diaries. From Sydney to the Kimberley, and everywhere in between, the stresses of this launch-pad year start on day one as they delve into the pressures of the big score they will receive at the end of the year – the ATAR.

#### Episode two: Tuesday, February 21 at 7.30pm on ABC ME

The countdown has begun with 36 weeks until final exams. Tom is finding it hard to make it to school on time juggling two jobs, photography expeditions and late nights but resolves to perfect a side flip. Charlie is stressed about passing his drivers' licence and Trianna feels the pressure of falling behind in subjects at her competitive school. Meanwhile, Shianna grapples with dropping modern history and raves about the injustice of creative subjects being marked down.

#### Episode three: Wednesday, February 22 at 7.30pm on ABC ME

With 33 weeks until final exams, the pressures of juggling school, family and a social life set in. Alfie knows he must curb his party-going ways if he's going to please his Mum but is finding study a challenge. Zoe struggles with the demands of homework and the need to move between her parent's houses. Kayla is stressed over an increasing workload and arguments with Mum but receives a terrific gift and Ben gets excited about his 18th birthday celebrations.

#### #MyYear12Life

#### Short synopsis

Meet 14 Australian students as they self-document their final year of high school through daily video diaries. The stresses of this launch-pad year start on day one as they delve into the pressures of the ATAR.

#### **Production details**

*My* Year 12 Life is created by Laura Waters. Series Producer: Karla Burt. Executive Producers: Laura Waters, Emma Fitzsimons and ABC Television's Libbie Doherty. Produced in association with Screen Australia and Film Victoria, My Year 12 Life is a Princess Pictures production for ABC Television.

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## **Grand Designs**

Tom and Danielle Raffield's lifelong passion is steam bending wood into extraordinary curvy shapes. They've spent much of their lives using the technique to make small-scale furniture and lighting, but now they're taking their craft to the next level.

Desperate to escape the tiny 44 square metre gamekeeper's lodge they currently live in, Tom and Danielle decide to build a spectacular wavy wooden house for themselves and their two children in a wood in South Cornwall. Their new home will have curvy steambent cladding, twisty handmade furniture and interior walls covered with a smorgasbord of naturally-weathered timber from their woodland.

With just a 100k budget to play with, they get stuck into building as much of their bendy home themselves as they can. At first they just about cope with Danielle project managing and looking after the kids while Tom keeps their business running in the workshop. However, when business suddenly takes off and they're inundated with orders, then there's news of a third child on the way, they're soon close to being overwhelmed...

#### Short synopsis

Wood steam benders Tom and Danielle Raffield have just £100k to hand-build a spectacular family home in South Cornwall with curvy wood cladding and twisty handmade furniture. But soon business commitments and family life start to overwhelm them.

#### **Production details**

Produced by Channel 4

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## Midsomer Murders

*Midsomer Murders* is a successful British crime drama based upon the crime-novel series by author Caroline Graham which follows Detective Chief Inspector John Barnaby's quest to solve crimes that occur in the wealthy, isolated English county of Midsomer.

The new series of the top-rating drama, *Midsomer Murders*, starring Neil Dudgeon (DCI John Barnaby) consists of four episodes and includes the return of Fiona Dolman (Sarah Barnaby) and Manjinder Virk (Dr Kam Karimore). DCI Barnaby has a new sidekick this series - DS Jamie Winter, played by newcomer Nick Hendrix (Marcella, The Crown).

In episode three, tensions run high in Lower Pampling as a new type of cricket threatens a century of tradition. When a star cricketer dies during a tournament, DCI Barnaby and DS Winter's investigation draws them into a dangerous game. And there is a surprise visitor from Barnaby's past.

#### Short synopsis

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#### **Production details**

*Midsomer Murders* is a Bentley Production. Executive Producer Jo Wright. Producer Ella Kelly.

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## **David Bowie: The Last Five Years**

**David Bowie:** The Last Five Years, is produced and directed by Francis Whately and follows his earlier acclaimed *David Bowie: Five Years*, which was broadcast on ABC2 last July. As with Whately's first film, this new piece will feature a wealth of rare and unseen archive footage and early audio interviews which have never been released before. This includes the original vocal which Bowie recorded for Lazarus, his last release before his death, which has never been heard before.

**David Bowie:** The Last Five Years, will focus on three major projects of Bowie's last five years – the best-selling albums, The Next Day and Blackstar, alongside the musical Lazarus which received rave reviews and a sold-out run off Broadway.

With unprecedented access to Bowie's closest friends and collaborators, **David Bowie:** The Last Five Years, will be an unforgettable tribute to one of the greatest musical icons of modern times. It will also be an opportunity to experience some of Bowie's iconic songs from his incredible back catalogue which will illustrate the continuity of his later work with the rest of his career.

#### Short synopsis

David Bowie: The Last Five Years is produced and directed by Francis Whately and will focus on three major projects of Bowie's last five years including unseen footage and unreleased audio interviews.

#### **Production details**

David Bowie: The Last Five Years, is produced and directed by Francis Whately.

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## **Ice Wars**

Australia has a problem with Crystal Methamphetamine. Street name: Ice.

*Ice Wars* is a four-part series exploring the fall out and community response to one of the most popular and dangerous drugs of our time, crystal methamphetamine, also known as ice. The program makers had unprecedented access to NSW Police front line operations in metropolitan as well as rural and remote communities. The program reveals the scale and scope of the challenges facing law enforcement, health workers, users, families, and the community as they grapple to mitigate the effects of ice use in Australia.

Police and Emergency Health Services in Blacktown manage the local ice problem. A World Champion speaks out about his struggles with addiction, showing methamphetamine's hold does not discriminate. Another ex-user tells of redemption through rehabilitation, having reached rock bottom but found hope.

#### #IceWars

#### Short synopsis

Police and Health Services in Blacktown manage the local ice problem. A World Champ speaks out about his struggles with addiction, showing meth doesn't discriminate. Another ex-user tells of redemption through rehabilitation.

#### **Production details**

Ice Wars is a Northern Pictures Production in association with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation and financed with the assistance of Screen Australia. Series Directors: David Grusovin, Alex Hodgkinson & Cian O'Clery, Executive Producers: Alex Hodgkinson, Karina Holden and Sue Clothier.

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## **Mountjoy Prison**

This eye-opening, four-part documentary series follows the day-to-day activities of the governors, prison officers and inmates in Irelands largest prison, the Mountjoy Campus in Dublin. Nicknamed 'The Joy', the campus comprises four main facilities and houses more than 750 male and female prisoners, convicted of everything from white-collar crime, drugs offences and robbery to violence, manslaughter and murder.

The Joy is home to a large number of gangs and rival factions. We spend time in D Wing with those inmates who have to be kept away from the main prison population for their safety, and that of others. With unprecedented access to both the campus and the most hardened criminals over a six-eight-month period. *Mountjoy Prison* shows moments of heartbreak, humanity and humour. It also provides an absorbing look at life behind bars and reveals the shocking truth of what it's like to serve time in prison.

In episode one, "City Within A City", day-to-day routine is interrupted by an extremely violent prisoner who is being moved to a specially-modified cell. Meanwhile, with one wing closed for refurbishment, Mountjoy Campus Governor Brian Murphy is faced with a prison that's dangerously close to overcrowding. James, a prisoner on C-Wing, is hoping for a transfer to the Training Unit, a semi-open facility within the complex, but first he has to prove that he is completely drug-free. Over in Mountjoy West, where mostly protection prisoners are housed, the massive drug problem on D-wing is getting out of control and management has a tough decision to make.

#### Short synopsis

Inside Ireland's most famous prison, the day-to-day routine is interrupted by an extremely violent prisoner who is being moved to a specially-modified cell.

#### **Production details**

Midas Productions, Ireland. Produced by Cleona Ní Chrualaoi. Filmed & Directed by Colm Bairéad.

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## Walliams and Friend

*Walliams & Friend*, the brand new series of the British sketch-show series starring the winner of BAFTA and British Comedy Awards, and Little Britain star, David Walliams, returns to ABC and iview on Wednesday 22 February.

The new series includes six 30-minute episodes of laugh-packed spectacular and ribtickling skits and spoofs. Walliams will be joined each episode by a fellow comedian and co-star – with the first starring Jack Whitehall.

The debut episode includes Jack and David's worst dating show contestant and Jack doing something David has never done before – dressing as a woman. There is also the launch of Britain's cruellest reality TV show Celebrity Slammer, in which David finds himself locked up with the Chuckle Brothers.

#### Short synopsis

The brand new six-part series of *Walliams & Friend* returns to the ABC. The British sketch-show series stars BAFTA and Little Britain star, David Walliams, promising a laugh-packed spectacular with skits and spoofs.

#### **Production details**

Walliams & Friend is a King Bert Production.

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## **No Offence**

The unorthodox crack team of gobby cops all return at full-throttle, headed up by the brilliant blonde bonce Spartacus warrior DI Viv Deering, (Joanna Scanlan), impulsive and street-smart DC Dinah Kowalska (Elaine Cassidy) and neurotic DS Joy Freers (Alexandra Roach).

Joining the team this season is the younger, hyper aspirational new boss, Detective Superintendent Christine Lickberg (Sarah Solemani) and office manager Gavin (Conor MacNeill) – loved by the guys and hated by the girls on the team.

At their sides in the crumbling Friday Street cop-shop are: unshakeable DC Spike (Will Mellor), maverick Miller (Paul Ritter), cool PC Stuart (Tom Varey), calm PC Taz (Neet Mohan), mischievous PC Jonah (Ste Johnston) and the force of nature that is PC Tegan (Saira Choudhry), who all go above and beyond the call of duty to get the job done.

In episode two, the team quell the riots exploding throughout Manchester, Dinah's discovery of young casualties in gang-owned property pushes investigations in an unexpected direction. Joy is thrown into freefall after she deals with a misbehaving offender.

#### Short synopsis

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#### **Production details**

An Abbottvision production from BAFTA Award-winning writer and producer Paul Abbott for Channel 4

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## Jonathan Creek: Daemons' Roost

Alan Davies is back as the amateur sleuth in *Jonathan Creek: Daemons' Roost* on ABC and iview, Friday 24 February at 8.30pm. In Daemons' Roost, Jonathan is confronted with his most mysterious and macabre case yet.

Five years after leaving the windmill, Jonathan Creek and wife Polly are happily installed in the countryside. They're ready to leave the world of crime-solving and grisly deaths behind them – but the 'real world' isn't quite ready for Jonathan Creek.

Just a few miles from Creek's country retreat lies the dark and foreboding Daemons' Roost, once home to the sadistic sorcerer, Jacob Surtees. Legend goes that Surtees would kidnap his victims and, with impossible feats of telekinesis, launch them into the fiery pits of hell.

150 years after Surtees' death and the manor is now occupied by another equally macabre figure: veteran film director Nathan Clore. The director is in poor health and desperate to tell his step-daughter Alison the truth about what happened to her family when she was just a child. But the building's dark history still haunts its inhabitants. It isn't long before eerie spirits are stalking the corridors once more. Jonathan Creek is summoned to delve into the past and solve the riddle of Daemons' Roost. Will Creek unravel this family mystery in time – or will reality prove the deadliest illusion of all?

#### Short synopsis

Five years after leaving the windmill, Alan Davies is back as the amateur sleuth in *Jonathan Creek: Daemons' Roost.* Ready to leave the world of crime-solving behind, this may be Creek's most mysterious case yet.

#### **Production details**

A BBC Studios production.

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## **Comedy Next Gen: Ivan Aristeguieta**

Ivan Aristeguieta's Chorizo Sizzle is a ball of energy on stage. Dancing, cajoling and having a blast, Ivan will be your next favourite comedian. And now that he's been made a permanent resident of Australia, he turns up the heat on Aussie food, flavours and traditions. So sit back, relax and let Ivan take the tongs as he combines his two passions: comedy and cooking! Let's go amigos!

#### **Production details**

ABC TV Executive Producer, Nick Hayden. Series Producer: Andrew Garrick. Associate Producer: Michele Esteves.

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