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Production has wrapped on the television production of "Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella." Starring recording sensations Whitney Houston ("The Preacher's Wife") and Brandy ("Mo'Nisha"), this retelling of the classic fairy tale will air on Sunday, November 2, 7:00-9:00 PM (ET/PT) on ABC as part of "The Wonderful World of Disney."

Rodgers & Hammerstein's original musical - their only work written for television - shimmers to life once again in this spectacular new production. Its lyrical score relating a fanciful tale of sibling rivalry, love at first sight and beauty within is embellished with an empowering '90s theme that updates, but never outdates, the classic tale. Aided by the magical presence of her Fairy Godmother (Houston), Cinderella (Brandy) learns that, through positive thinking and believing in yourself, "impossible things are happening every day!"

Funny As He Wants To Be

Renowned comedian, radio personality and television star, Steve Harvey, is set to conquer yet another entertainment medium, the recording industry.

Steve Harvey Live...Down South Somewhere, a full-length comedy album on the Island Black Music/T-Neck Records labels, is scheduled to be released September 16th.

A native of Cleveland, Ohio, Harvey began his career in the early 80's performing stand-up comedy in clubs across the nation. It was through his routine that Harvey established himself as a preeminent comic on the comedy club circuit. He soon began headlining shows to sold-out audiences and developed a fan-base stretching across the country.

As a result of all the positive buzz surrounding him, Harvey's comedic talents sparked the interest of Hollywood bigwigs. Shortly thereafter, the offers came pouring in for Harvey to lend his talents to several television projects.

Harvey decided upon the ABC sitcom, "Me and the Boys," in which he starred. Harvey portrayed Steve Tower, a single dad coping with the responsibility of raising his sons on his own. Though not a ratings success, "Me and the Boys" was praised by critics for its positive portrayal of African-Americans. Harvey received a People's Choice nomination for Favorite Male in a New Television Series for his work on "Me and the Boys."

On "The Steve Harvey Show," his current sitcom on The WB network, Harvey portrays Steve Hightower, a '70's music star who's fame has faded and is currently teaching music to high school teenagers at an inner-city school. The show is heading into its second season and is one of The WB's highest rated shows.

Children's issues are very important to Harvey, which is apparent in any project he attaches himself to. His show tackles pertinent topics such as teen drug use, teen sex and violence, yet at the same time, retains Harvey's unique comic sensibility and never comes across as being "preachy."

In an era when many sitcoms with African-American leads are being criticized for their portrayal of African-Americans, Harvey's show has managed to avoid the criticism, largely due to the watchful eye of Harvey. He closely monitors all aspects of his show to ensure that the quality of the show is superb. At the same time, Harvey remains supportive of his peers. "The reason I won't speak out against other fellow black actors and creators of shows I may not hold up as the ideal on television is simple," Harvey explains. "They need the work, and it's been a struggle getting to the point of having your own show on the air." Harvey remains optimistic about the future of African-American television shows. "We've got a place now where we can provide positive images for all of America, and also show younger brothers a character like mine -- a guy who's a respected schoolteacher -- they can look up to."

Harvey is committed to helping the youth in our country. He regularly visits schools and youth detention centers nationwide to lecture about the pitfalls of "street-life" and the importance of establishing goals. Harvey was the driving force behind a meeting between Snoop Doggy Dogg and Sean "Puffy" Combs, two key figures in the supposed war between east and west coast rap factions.

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