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YOUR **BIG BREAK**

Returns for
a Second
Season

Buena Vista Television's one-of-a-kind musical talent show Your Big Break is gearing up for its second broadcast season, which begins the weekend of September 23-24, 2000, in national syndication. Your Big Break is the weekly show that brings viewers a unique blend of karaoke, highly entertaining musical talent and sizzling competition. An extraordinary variety program with a game show twist, the one-hour weekly series is produced by Dick Clark Productions, Inc. and ENDEMOL Entertainment for Buena Vista Television.

Your Big Break gives ordinary people with dreams of stardom the chance to perform their favorite musical idols' biggest hits onstage, for both a live studio audience and for millions of viewers watching at home. These are everyday people who impersonate musical superstars while singing in their own voices (no lip-syncing, ever). Actor and comedian Alfonso Ribeiro, best known for his role as Carlton Banks on the long-running hit comedy series "Fresh Prince of Bel Air," will host the series. Your Big Break is based on the long-running European show that is already an enormous hit in thirteen countries, including the United Kingdom, Germany, Spain and Italy.

Your Big Break is that rare contest-based performance show in which everyone is a winner," added Dick Clark, Executive Producer. "Even the contestants who don't make it to the next round feel like a million bucks because they've been able to achieve their lifelong dreams of performing like a superstar.



Alfonso Ribeiro, host "Your Big Break."

That's because we give these talented hopefuls the support of an entire production team dedicated to making them look and sound their absolute best."

On each episode of Your Big Break, six talented amateurs are given the opportunity to portray their favorite singers and perform one of their idol's greatest hits in a performance on stage - complete with back-up singers, dancers, lights and dazzling effects. Viewers first meet each contestant in a video presentation which reflects their everyday life, and then see them again, onstage, after the contestant has been transformed into the superstar of their dreams by the show's team of professional make-up artists and costumers.

After watching the performances, a live studio audience votes for their favorite contestant, using a special electronic keypad system that provides instantaneous tabulation of the results, which are then announced by Ribeiro. The winner of each episode receives a spot in the show's semi-finals. There, they compete for the opportunity to move on to the finals, where the show's \$25,000 grand prize winner is selected.

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