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Shows that Remind Us Why We Like Fall TV

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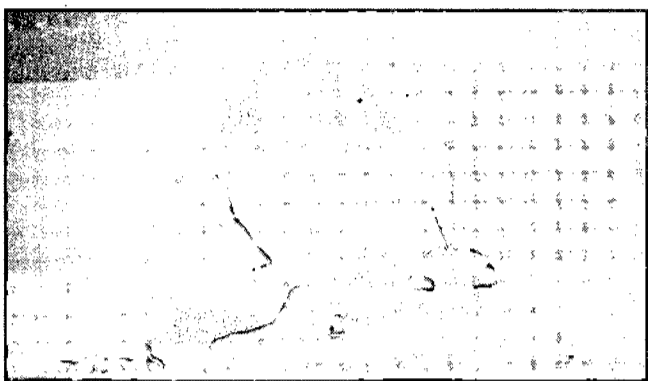


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Critically-acclaimed *Orange is the New Black* is available exclusively on Netflix.

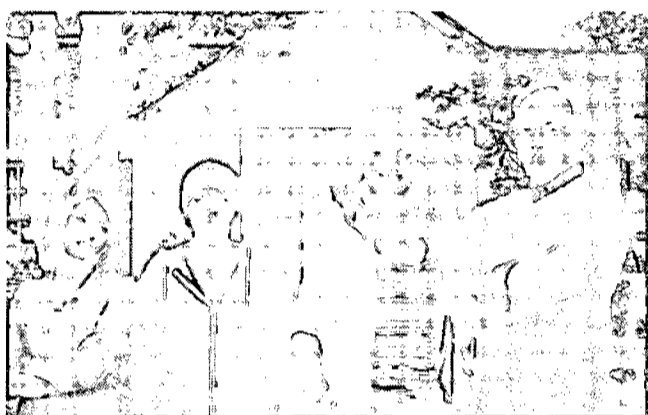


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Comedy veteran Malin Ackerman (*27 Dresses*) stars in *Trophy Wife*, premiering Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 8:30 p.m.

Orange is the New Black has been an obsession for many Netflix viewers. The show is a 13-episode web series that has a very twisted but exciting story. Piper, superficially normal and happily engaged, used to be a drug mule for her girlfriend who was eventually caught. Both Piper and Alex, her ex-girlfriend, were sentenced to jail.

The series manages to show moments of heartwarming tenderness and comedy amongst the hardships and grittiness of life behind bars, such as the moment when Piper trades her hair because she has no money, and Taystee is so proud of her new blonde lock that she skips down the institutional halls. Slowly, throughout the series Piper takes on the issues of holding onto her marriage, and trying to be liked in jail.

The series allows many to be rooting for Piper, the main character, but the other actresses bring depth and humanity to their characters. The other inmates are at first shown in a negative and harsh light so the audience can judge them as Piper first does before she knows them as people. If you are attached to your Netflix account, like most college students these days, then you must definitely lock yourself in your room and watch this show as soon as possible!

Other television shows this fall are looking quite exciting and funny! They will have you cracking up or having you flailing your arms up to catch your breath from the shock and hysteria. *Mixology*, *Lucky 7*, and *Trophy Wife* are definite must-sees.

Mixology is about 10 people placed in a bar one night to find love. It looks very steamy! *Lucky 7* is about seven people who work at a gas station and routinely chip in their daily dues for the weekly lottery until this is all disrupted when they win the lottery. This series shows the often-untold story of "hitting it big" and the way a huge windfall can ruin friendships, relationships, and common sense.

Trophy Wife promises the most laughs this season. It is the story of a young girl who goes out to a karaoke bar with her best friend and ends up finding her future husband. One of the funniest twists is that this future husband has been married twice before and has kids from both ex-wives. Kate, in her own way, learns to deal with the chaos that stems from this complicated family dynamic. It will have you in tears from laughing so hard!

When shows like *Scandal*, *Grey's Anatomy*, and *Betrayal* return, you might want to think about dating your TV.

Arctic Monkeys Come Back in the 'AM'

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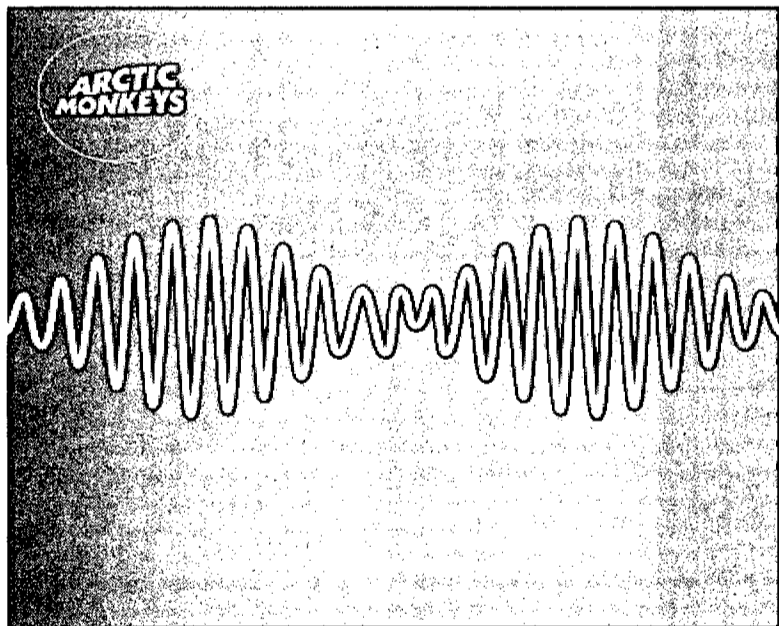


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Since 2007, the Arctic Monkeys have reliably been releasing an album every two years. If you do the math, you know it is about time for another one. And indeed, on Tuesday, Sept. 9, the British Indie band released their fifth studio album, entitled *AM*.

While the Monkeys' 2006 record-breaking debut *Whatever People Say I Am, That's What I'm Not* may be the soundtrack to your party, *AM* is more like the soundtrack to cleaning up afterwards. It is easy to imagine people sweeping up confetti to melancholic songs like "No.1 Party Anthem" with lyrics reminiscent of last weekend's blurry memories.

However, the album covers a broad spectrum of feelings and references to different genres. There is the mesmerizing, psychedelic opener ("Do I Wanna Know"), followed by the album's fastest, and, arguably, strongest song "R U Mine?"-- a blend of typical Arctic Monkeys swag and exciting hard rock riffs. In contrast, "One For The Road" and "Why'd You Only Call me When You're High" are clearly hip hop influenced, while "Arabella" perfectly combines the rock and hip-hop. "Mad Sounds" is obviously a tribute to the Beatles, and "Knee Socks" is just classic British cool.

Although lacking the conspicuous hits of the earlier albums, *AM* brings catchy riffs in an interesting variety of styles while maintaining a common vibe. For fans of The Fratellis, Franz Ferdinand, and other alternative European bands, the new Arctic Monkeys album is definitely worth a listen.



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ABC Campus Crew's first event will celebrate the premiere of Rebel Wilson's *Super Fun Night*. The comedienne also made audience members laugh in *Bridesmaids*, *Pitch Perfect*, and *Bachelorette*.

Hollywood Hits Hobart

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After spending her summer on studio lots and television sets, Blair Dector '14 is bringing a little Los Angeles entertainment back to campus. The Media and Society major was a Production Management Intern at ABC/Disney Studios this summer, and will continue her work through the ABC Campus Crew, a new initiative that plans viewing parties for their best television shows and award ceremonies. Students will be able to take home ABC merchandise as prizes for various games and activities.

Their first event will celebrate the premiere of ABC's newest—and guaranteed funniest—sitcom: *Super Fun Night*, starring breakout *Pitch Perfect* star Rebel Wilson. To stay up to date on times and locations, interested students should 'Like' the ABC Campus Crew at Hobart and William Smith Colleges' Facebook page.

"I lived and breathed television for three months while experiencing things that I never thought were imaginable," Dector said. "I'm thrilled to help create a forum on campus for members of the community that love television and storytelling as much as I do."