Oprah brings 'Women of Brewster Place' to television

Oprah Winfrey heads an all-star cast in a gripping and loving portrait of seven women in conflict, "The Women of Brewster Place," a two-part ABC miniseries airing SUNDAY and MONDAY, MARCH 19 and 10 at 9 p.m. both nights.

Told over the course of several decades, "The Women of Brewster Place" is the powerful story of seven women who share the same address, a tenement building on a walled-off street named Brewster Place. It is a street filled with tales of humor and sadness; a city block where compassionate energy is inevitably at odds with implacable desolation.

The women of Brewster Place are women whose backs are literally against the wall, a wall whose crumbling brick facade becomes both a real and symbolic dead end. Then, a tragic incident causes the women to overcome the barriers of Brewster Place — and ultimately, to rebuild their lives.

Starring are Oprah Winfrey as Mattie Michael, Mary Alice as Fannie, Olivia Cole as Miss Sophie, Robin Givens as Kiswana, Moses Gunn as Ben, Jackee as Etta Mae, Paula Kelly as Theresa, Leon (cq) as Abshu, Lonette Mckee as Lorraine, Barbara Montgomery as Miss Eva, Phyllis Yvonne Stickney as Cora Lee, Lynn Whitfield as Ciel, Paul Winfield as Sam, William Allen Young as Eugene and, in a special guest appearance, Cicely Tyson as Mrs. Browne.

Mattie (Oprah Winfrey) has come to Brewster Place to make a new life for herself; she is the anchor to her friends and loved ones at the tenement, including her earthy Etta Mae (Jackee), a lady who loves fast times and fast men, and Ciel (Lynn Whitfield), a young woman who is like a daughter to Mattie, and who is trapped in an unhappy marriage.

Oprah Winfrey stars as Mattie Michall in "Women of Brewster Place."

Their neighbors are Cora Lee (Phyllis Yvonne Stickney), a single mother raising a family of seven, and Theresa (Paula Kelly) and Lorraine (Lonette McKee), two women who have moved to the tenement because their love for one another has made them outcasts elsewhere. One woman lives at Brewster Place by choice: Idealistic young Kiswana Browne (Robin Givens), who has left the comfort of her middle-class life in hopes of helping the residents to break out of their seemingly endless cycle of poverty.

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"Director John Avildsen gives the movie a rush and a vitality and an edge. Morgan Freeman is a stunningly charismatic actor."
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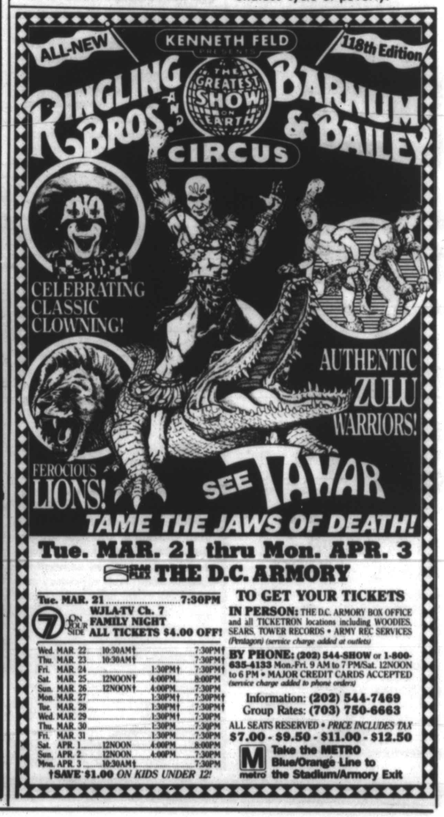

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	WMAR 2	WRC 4	WTTG 5	WJLA 7	WUSA 9	WBAL 11	WJZ 13	WDCA 20	WETA 26	WHMM 32	WBFF 45	WMPB 67	HBO
7:00	Today	Today	Tom/Jerry Flintstones	Good Morning America	This Morning	This Morning	Good Morning America	Scooby Doo G.I. Joe	MacNeil/ Lehrer		Tom/Jerry DuckTales	Marketing Kangaroo	With Grandpa Tom Sawyer
7:30	"	"		"	"	"	"	"	"				
8:00	"	"	Woody My Little Pony	"	"	"	"	Jem Snorks	Kangaroo Mister Rogers		Dennis Tom/Jerry	Sesame Street, Special	Movie: "On a Clear Day You
8:30													
9:00	Donahue	Group 1 Fam. Med.	I Love Lucy Alice	Geraldo	Donahue	Live -- Regis & Kathie Lee	Potatoes Sweethearts	Richard Roberts	Sesame Street	Body Electric For People	SilverHawks Win at Losing	Mister Rogers Instructional	Can See Forever"
9:30	"			"	"		Dating Game Newlywed	"		Spotlight European			
10:00	S.J. Raphael	At Rona's	Bewitched	Sally Jessy Raphael	Live -- Regis & Kathie Lee	Sup. Court Peo. Court		700 Club	Sesame Street		Wild, Wild West	Programming	"
10:30	Cl. Conc.	Cl. Conc.	Jeannie					"					Movie: "Pete
11:00	Wheel-Fortune	Wheel-Fortune	Love Boat	The Judge	Price Is Right	Price Is Right	Divorce Court	Success 'n Life	"	Computers French Action	Big Valley	"	"
11:30	Lose or Draw	Lose or Draw	"	Potatoes			The Judge		Long Ago, Far		"	France TV Ma-	'N' Tillie"
12:00	News	Password	Under Siege	Home	News	News	News	Wonder	Body Electric	Liv./Animals	Quincy	gazine	"
12:30	Scrabble	Scrabble	Current Affair	Loving	Young and	Young and	Loving	Woman	Faces/Culture	Business Rpt.		Instructional	Your Health
1:00	Days of Our	Days of Our	Bunkers Pl	All My Children	the Restless Bold/Beautiful	the Restless Bold/Beautiful	All My Children	Family	Faces/Culture Baby Panda	Evening Exchange	Movie: "The Ballad of Jo-	Programming	Movie: "Rad"
1:30	Lives	Lives	Day at a Time										
2:00	Another World	Another World	Beaver Double Dare	One Life to Live	As the World Turns	As the World Turns	One Life to Live	Gidget Gumby	"	Children Cry Deaf Mosaic	sie"	"	"
2:30									Sesame		"	Cooking	Movie: "The
3:00	Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara	Menace Ghostbusters	General Hospital	Guiding Light	Guiding Light	General Hospital	Smurfs Jetsons	Street Sesame	Marilyn MacK-Painting	Jem Tom/Jerry	Yan Cooks Mister Rogers	Train Robbers"
3:30													
4:00	Oprah Winfrey	Inside Edition Peo. Court	Chipmunks DuckTales	Magnum, P.I.	Oprah Winfrey	Geraldo	Diff. Strokes Gimme Break	Fun House C.O.P.S.	Street Square One	So. Cooking DeGrassi High	Chipmunks Fun House	Sesame Street, Special	With Grandpa Movie: "Blind
4:30													
5:00	News	Live at Five	Silver Spoons Gimme Break	News	News News	Live at Five	Cosby Show Family Ties	Webster Diff. Strokes	Television 3-2-1 Contact	Sq. 1 TV 3-2-1 Contact	Andy Griffith Good Times	Sq. 1 TV World/Animals	Justice"
5:30													
6:00	News	News	Family Ties	News	News	News	News	Facts of Life	Ideas	MacNeil/ Lehrer	Silver Spoons Facts of Life	MacNeil/ Lehrer	Movie: "North Shore"
6:30	NBC News		Current Affair	ABC News	CBS News	CBS News		Cheers	Business Rpt.				
7:00	Wheel-Fortune	NBC News	Cosby Show	Jeopardy!	USA Today	Lose or Draw	ABC News	Night Court	MacNeil/ Lehrer	Evening Exchange	Jeffersons	Business Rpt.	
7:30	Jeopardy!	Family Feud	Current Affair	Ent. Tonight	Wheel-Fortune	Inside Edition	Evening Mag.	NBA Basket-			Barney Miller	State Circle	
8:00	Movie: "Fatal	Movie: "Fatal	Movie: "Darby	Strangers	Beauty and	Beauty and	Strangers	ball: Atlanta	Wash. Week	Time Out	Star Trek:	Wash. Week	Movie: "Wall
8:30	Confession: A	Confession: A	O'Gill and the	Full House	the Beast	the Beast	Full House	Hawks at New	Wall St. Week	Tony Brown	Next Gener.	Wall St. Week	Street"
9:00	Father Dowling Mystery"	Father Dowling Mystery"	Little People"	Mr. Belvedere	Dallas	Dallas	Mr. Belvedere	Jersey Nets	Movie: "That's Danc-	Mystery!: Miss Marple	War of the Worlds	Movie: "That's Danc-	
9:30				Ten of Us			Ten of Us						
10:00	Miami Vice	Miami Vice	News	20/20	Falcon Crest	Falcon Crest	20/20	All in Family Taxi	ing!"	Health Care in America	Smithsonian Treasures	ing!"	Movie: "Platoon"
10:30													
11:00	News	News	Under Siege	News	News	News	News	Arsenio Hall	"	MacNeil/ Lehrer	Arsenio Hall	"	
11:30	Cheers	Tonight Show	M*A*S*H	Nightline	NCAA Basket-	NCAA Basket-	Nightline		Performances:			St. Patrick's	
12:00	Benson	"	Hill Street	On Trial	ball Touna-	ball Touna-	Hawaii Five-0	Relat.	G. Hines	Business Rpt.	Morton Dow-	Day Parade	
12:30	D. Letterman	D. Letterman	Blues	Sweethearts	ment	ment		Skier		Sign-Off	ney Jr.		

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7:00	Transformers	Kidsongs	Anushka	Treasure Island	Mighty Mouse Storybreak	Garden Living Neighborhood	4-1-One Dr. Fad	700 Club	Sesame Street		Comic Strip Cont'd	Management Management	"Great Expectations"
7:30	Archies	3 Stories Tall	Last Dinosaur										
8:00	Kissyfur	Kissyfur	Bionic Woman	Flintstones	Raggedy Ann	Look at It	Flintstones	Am. Top Ten	Sesame		"	Health	Movie: "Dirty
8:30	Gummi Bears	Gummi Bears	"	Winnie the	Superman	Superman	Winnie the	Out of World	Street, Special			Health	Dancing"
9:00	Smurfs	Smurfs	Batman Hour	Pooh	Muppet Babies	Muppet Babies	Pooh	Superboy	Lilias!	Money World	Movie: "The	DeGrassi High	"
9:30	"	"	"	Slimer! & Real			Slimer! & Real	T and T	Decisions	Computer	Bawdy Adven-	State Circle	"
10:00	Chipmunks	Chipmunks	Comedy Hour	Ghostbusters	Pee-wee Play.	Pee-wee Play.	Ghostbusters	Soul Train	Wall St. Week	Watercolor	tures of Tom	Bodywatch	Movie: "The
10:30	ALF	ALF		Scooby Doo	In Our Lives	Garfield	Scooby Doo	"	Wash. Week	Watercolor	Jones"	You at Home	Mosquito
11:00	Cosby Kids	Cosby Kids	WWF Super-	Bugs Bunny &	It's Ernest!	Different	Bugs Bunny &	War of the	Tony Brown	Madeleine	Abb. & Cost.	Hometime	Coast"
11:30		"	stars	Tweety Show	Fast Break	It's Academic	Tweety Show	Worlds	Am. Interests	Gourmet	V Slicer	Old House-	"
12:00	TBA	Punky B.	WWF Wres-	Crack-Ups	NCAA Basket-	NCAA Basket-	Superboy	Big Valley	Money World	Kitchen	Unauthorized	Yan Cooks	Intimate Con-
12:30	World Cup	Ed Grimley	ting	Pick Up Beat	ball Touna-	ball Touna-	Best of Glea-	"	Tony Brown	Kitchen	Biography: Ri-	So. Cooking	tact
1:00	Skiing Finals	Golden Greats	Movie: "Adios	Weekend Sp.	ment: Second	ment: Second	son	Jeffersons	F. Line: Serra	Frug. Gourmet	chard M.	Jane Brody's	"
1:30	Preseason	She's Sheriff	Amigo"	Drug-free	Round	Round		Preseason	Sci. Jrnl.	Hometime	Nixon	Kitchen	Movie: "Inner-
2:00	Baseball: At-	Sports Le-	"	"	NCAA Basket-	NCAA Basket-	"	Baseball: At-	Garden	Lap Quilting	Kojak	Collectors	space"
2:30	lanta Braves	gends	"	World Cup	ball Touna-	ball Touna-	Guinness	lanta Braves	Yan Cooks	Ctry Painting	"	Collectors	
3:00	vs. Baltimore	World Cup	Movie:	Skiing	ment: Second	ment: Second	PBA Bowling:	vs. Baltimore	Cooking	Motorweek	D.C. Follies	"	
3:30	Orioles	Skiing Finals	"Countdown"	"	Round	Round	PBA National	Orioles	Bodywatch	Sci. Model	All in Family	Woodwright	Movie:
4:00	Sprts. Leg.	PGA Golf:	"	"	NCAA Basket-	NCAA Basket-	Championship	"	T. Old House	Liv./Animals	Buck Rogers	Yankee Shop	"Kidco"
4:30	Skier	Players Cham-	"	Wide World of	ball Touna-	ball Touna-	Wide World of	Benson	T. Old House	Nature	"	This Old	
5:00	Magnum, P.I.	pionship	Fall Guy	Sports	ment: Mid-	ment: Mid-	Sports	Munsters Tdy.	Frug. Gourmet	"	Star Trek	House	Movie: "The
5:30	"			"	western Re-	western Re-	"	From Scratch	Madeleine	3-2-1 Contact	"	Sesame	In Crowd"
6:00	News	News	Small Wonder	News	gional Second	gional Second	ABC News	Charles	Madeleine	Long Ago, Far	War of the	Street, Special	"
6:30	Front Page	NBC News	Close/Comfort	ABC News	Round Game	Round Game	News	Superboy	Sign-Off	Drug Prev.	Worlds	WonderWorks	"
7:00	Wheel-Fortune	D. Horowitz.	3's Company	Jeopardy!	Inside Wash.	News	Siskel & Ebert	Star Trek:	Spike Jones	DeGrassi High	Jeffersons	"Anne of	Movie: "Dirty
7:30	Jeopardy!	McLaughlin	3's Company	Mama	Wheel-Fortune	Small Wonder	Square Off	Next Gener.	Story	Time Out	Crimes	Green Gables.	Dancing"
8:00	227	227	Reporters	Mission: Im-	World Figure	World Figure	Mission: Im-	War of the	Hollywood:	Previews	Reporters	the Sequel"	"
8:30	Amen	Amen	"	possible	Skating Cham-	Skating Cham-	possible	Worlds	The Gift of	Newtons			"
9:00	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Cops	Man Called	pionships	pionships	Man Called	Friday the	Laughter	Evening Exchange	Cops Tomorrow	Sentimental Swing	Comic Relief III
9:30	Empty Nest	Empty Nest	Tomorrow	Hawk			Hawk	13th					
10:00	Hunter	Hunter	News	Murphy's Law	West 57th	West 57th	Murphy's Law	Nightmare on	"	Saturday Nite	Go for Your	Tommy Dor-	"
10:30								Elm St.		Sing	Dreams	sey	
11:00	News	News	Comic Strip	News	News	News	News	Monsters	Movie: "You	30 Good Min.	Nan's Kitchen	Doctor Who	"
11:30	Saturday	Saturday	Live	Twilight Zone	USA Today	WWF Super-	Twilight Zone	Movie: "Night	Can't Take It	Sign-Off	Boxing Illus.		"
12:00	Night Live	Night Live	B.P.I. Awards	Crimes		stars	Friday the	of the	With You"		Get Smart	"	"
12:30	"	"		D.C. Follies	Divorce Court	Wrestling	13th	Creeps"	"		Soloflex	"	"

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7:00	Oral Roberts	Headlines	Oral Roberts		Christian Life	Later Years	Real to Reel	Funtastic	Sesame		Kenneth	Focus/Society	Can't Happen
7:30	Lift Ev. Voice	Blk Forum	Frederick K.	Discovery	Jewish	Urban Scene	Dangermouse	World of	Street		Copeland	Oceanus	Little Women
8:00	Sunday Today	Health	Price	Bauman Bible	God Love You	Gospel Var.	Love Boat	Hanna-	Sesame		Sonshine	Oceanus	Tom Sawyer
8:30	"	Newsforum	Capital City	Telecast	World Tom.	D. Horowitz		Barbera	Street, Special		World Tom.	Money World	Movie: "The