

Unveiling 'First Ladies of the Crypto Cartel' Reality Series: 5 Divas Building Digital Dynasties & Bringing the Drama!



First Ladies of the Crypto Cartel, a streaming reality series featuring five stylish, tech-savvy women building digital dynasties, recently launched on moneygossip.io. Pictured (L-R) Front: Stacy Mason, Jessika Grooms, Michelle Renee, Karen King, and Tiffany Stringer. Back: Chris Grooms and Pierre Mason. Photo Credit: Roshawn Lyles



Digital divas of the First

Ladies of the Crypto Cartel, a streaming reality series recently launched on moneygossip.io meet to discuss investments. Pictured (L-R) Stacy Mason, Jessika Grooms, Karen King, and Michelle Renee. Photo Credit: Roshawn Lyles

Chicago/Atlanta- Financial mogul-turned-producer, Michelle Renee, is making waves in the entertainment industry with the recent launch of the innovative reality show, "First Ladies of the Crypto Cartel," a groundbreaking series spotlighting five stylish, tech-savvy Black women based in Chicago and Atlanta as they build digital dynasties. Produced by Money Gossip Productions, the streaming show combines the expected drama of reality TV with high-stakes finance, compelling personal stories, and low-key lessons on the latest trends in cryptocurrencies.

"My financial background fuels my desire to educate people on building wealth through investments, particularly those from marginalized communities. What better way to do this than a reality show that showcases how we navigate from old money to new money?," says Renee, a cast member and founder of Money Gossip Inc. "We share our everyday issues like any other reality show, but we also show how the cryptocurrency market works in the real world, including potential risks."

"The show is a cross between Real Housewives (Bravo) and Love and Marriage DC (OWN Network) with a touch of the business insights viewers gain from Shark Tank (ABC)," adds castmate Jessika Grooms, a popular social media Influencer, creator of a popular adult card game, and founder of thriving hair company, AmberJe'.

“First Ladies of the Crypto Cartel” centers around the professional and personal bonds between the women—and two of their husbands—who have achieved remarkable success in their careers and businesses. Together, they’ve formed a powerful group dedicated to investing in cryptocurrency. The eight-episode series showcases “The Family” in their weekly power meetings, where they strategize and manage their Bitcoin investments through the blockchain. The Family’s loyalty to one another is unwavering, as they have vowed never to sell their crypto or other investments, opting instead to take loans against them to finance their lavish lifestyle. Each move must be approved, adding an extra layer of intrigue when someone makes an unapproved investment.

What sets this show apart is its educational component, where the cast occasionally breaks down complex cryptoverse terminology during their one-on-one interviews, making the world of crypto accessible to all. “The world is changing and there’s no getting around that,” adds Renee, also known as The Crypto Queen. “The thing that excites me most about Crypto is that it doesn’t discriminate. It doesn’t matter your age, race, education, where you’ve been, or what you’ve been through; with determination and strategic thinking, anyone can thrive in this new financial landscape.”

Former Love and Hip Hop Atlanta (VH1) cast member, Karen “KK” King, adds, “I thought my reality TV days were over but when Michelle approached me about this positive concept I thought, if she could teach me the ins and outs of bitcoin without a tech background like she did, I’d be delighted to help spread the word.” The designer and builder of luxury beds and author of bestselling memoir, “Do You Know Me,” continues, “This show will reach people who aren’t always exposed to investing and possibly motivate them to learn more about the opportunities in digital currency.”

In addition to Renee, Grooms, and King, the cast is rounded out by Stacy Mason and Tiffany Stringer. Mason is a hairstylist, transitional coach, and founder of the nonprofit, "Ministry Beyond the Chair." Stringer, who holds a master's degree in advanced nursing care, has built a successful career in the health industry and is preparing to launch a concierge IV hydration and supplement infusion service. The supporting cast includes Jessika's husband Chris Grooms, and Stacy's husband, Pierre Mason.

"First Ladies of the Crypto Cartel's" riveting blend of financial strategy and interpersonal drama is sure to keep viewers hooked. The show streams Sundays at 7 PM or catch it on-demand at moneygossip.io where you can also purchase merchandise, NFTs or schedule a watch party. Follow Money Gossip Productions on Instagram and X (formerly Twitter) at @realflotcc. Subscribe to the show on YouTube and TikTok at @MoneyGossip.

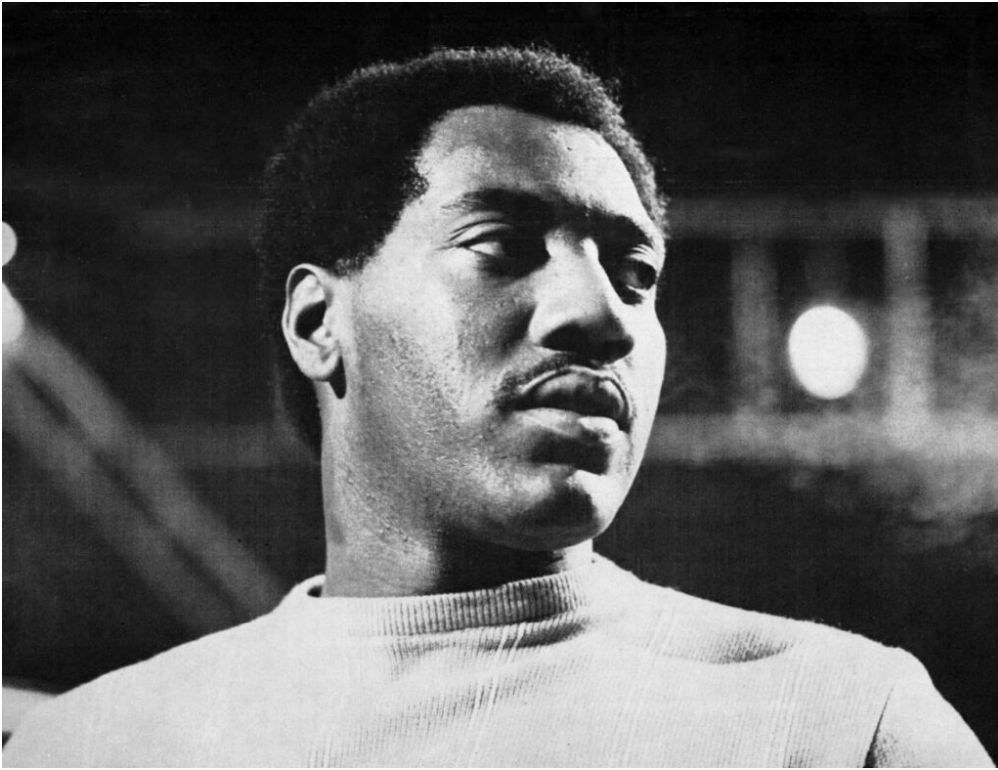
Watch HBO Docuseries *Stax: Soulsville U.S.A.* Trailer

Stax: Soulsville U.S.A. is an HBO original documentary about the record label that helped shape the course of American music in the '60s and '70s. Jamila Wignot is the producer and director of the four-part series which is a production of Laylow Pictures and White Horse Pictures in association with Concord Originals, Polygram Entertainment, and Warner Music Entertainment. Otis Redding, Isaac Hayes, Johnnie Taylor,

Booker T. & The M.G.'s and Wilson Pickett are some of the artists who called Stax home.

Jim Stewart and his sister Estelle Axton founded the label in 1957 as Satellite Records. By 1961 the name was changed to Stax. Rufus Thomas and his daughter Carla created the label's first regional hit with "Cause I Love You" in 1961. Otis Redding put Stax in the national spotlight in the early '60s thanks to "These Arms Of Mine" and "Respect" which Aretha Franklin made her own. At the height of the label's success, their artists commemorated the Watts Rebellion by playing the 1972 Wattstax benefit concert.

The label's story is told through archival footage and insight from the founders, singer Carla Thomas, Isaac Hayes, Otis Redding, Stax's director of publicity; David Porter, Booker T. Jones, Stax singer and songwriter; Sam Moore, and more. *Stax: Soulsville U.S.A.* will debut on Monday, May 20th at 9 PM ET on HBO with the first two episodes. Episodes three and four will air the next day at the same time.



**Apple TV+ Releases Trailer
For Huey P. Newton Series The
Big Cigar**



Apple TV+ has released the trailer for *The Big Cigar* series about Huey P. Newton's escape to Cuba with help from Hollywood director Bert Schneider. The story is based on an article Joshua Bearman wrote for Playboy Magazine about Newton fleeing to Cuba in 1974 after facing murder charges in California. Newton had been arrested for the fatal shooting of a young Black prostitute and after posting bond fled to Cuba where he lived for three years. Schneider had created a fake movie to help Newton's plan to leave the country but the feature was never completed. *The Big Cigar* is mostly true and reenacts some of the events that happened with Schneider's potential scheme. Don Cheadle has directed two of the six episodes for the show that premieres on May 17th. André Holland portrays Newton with a cast including Glynn Turman, Moses Ingram, Rebecca Dalton, Jordane Christie, Tiffany Boone, Olli Haaskivi, Marc Menchaca, P.J. Byrne and Alessandro Nivola. Joshua Bearman, Jim Hecht and Janine Sherman Barrois are executive producers.

The Big Cigar Series About Black Panther Huey P. Newton To Air On AppleTV+



The Big Cigar is a limited drama series on AppleTV+ about Black Panther founder [Huey P. Newton's](#) escape to Cuba. The story is based on an article Joshua Bearman who is also the executive producer wrote about Newton for Playboy Magazine. In 1974, Newton was accused of shooting a 17-year-old prostitute and pistol-whipping his tailor and he fled to Cuba with Schneider's help. Schneider was a famous name in Hollywood during the '60s because the production company co-founded with Bob Rafelson produced *The Monkees* TV show and the very successful 1969 counterculture film *Easy Rider*. According to Bearman's article, Schneider wrote *The Cigar* to help with

Newton's escape but never filmed it.

André Holland stars as Newton in the series that premieres on May 17th and will stream every Friday until June 14th. The ensemble cast includes Glynn Turman, Alessandro Nivola, Tiffany Boone, P. J. Byrne, Marc Menchaca, Moses Ingram, Rebecca Dalton, Olli Haaskivi and Jordane Christie. Actor, producer and director Don Cheadle will direct and executive produce the first two episodes.



Tiffany Boone and André Holland in "The Big Cigar," premiering May 17, 2024 on Apple TV+.



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