

# Bounce To Premiere Black History Month Special Starring Queen Latifah, Common & Harry Belafonte

[youtube id="ZzJqq8\_Sv-8"]Bounce will premiere its one-hour special, *Bounce Celebrates Black History Month* special along with a variety of movies centered around the African-American experience. Queen Latifah, Common and Harry Belafonte will headline *Bounce Celebrates Black History* as they present stories about Black life in America. Martin Luther King Jr., The Underground Railroad, Black Pharoahs, Gordon Parks, Dr. Charles Drew, Green Book, Madam C.J. Walker, Cinque Amistad, James Baldwin and a number of African-American firsts will be covered. Civil Rights Icon Andrew Young is featured prominently throughout *Bounce Celebrates Black History* which premieres Monday, February 10 at 8 PM ET.Â

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## Freddie Jackson Receives Black Music Honors Legend Award



The incomparable,Â [Freddie Jackson](#), is one of the most iconic R&B male vocalists of all time! His timeless classics like "[Rock Me Tonight \(For Old Times Sake\)](#)" (1985), "[Have You Ever Loved Somebody](#)" (1986), "[Jam Tonight](#)" (1986), "[Tasty Love](#)"

(1986), "[You Are My Lady](#)" (1985), and ["Nice & Slow"](#) (1988) have elevated the chart-topping crooner to legendary status! While Mr. Jackson has earned his place as an R&B legend, he continues to tour and create timeless classics. The 4th Annual Black Music Honors recognized the living legend, presenting him with The State Farm Legend Award. Of the honor, Mr. Jackson enthused, "I'm honored, happy, and still floating! To be honored by Black Music Honors speaks volumes and I'm so grateful to be here to receive this. Often roses are given when you're gone, I'm so blessed to receive this adulation while I can enjoy it!"

Currently airing in broadcast syndication on Bounce TV, the star-studded show was hosted by television and radio personality, Rickey Smiley and Grammy Award-winner LeToya Luckett-Walker. Other honorees included Yolanda Adams who received the Gospel Music Icon Award; culturally-conscience eclectic group Arrested Development who received the Hip Hop Icon Award; songstress, Tamia, received the Soul Music Icon Award, and platinum-selling group Xscape received the Urban Music Icon Award presented by AT&T.



#### Xscape Accepts Urban Music The Icon Award

The evening featured several memorable tributes including Leon Timbo and Major who performed a special tribute in honor of Rock and Roll of Famer, Bill Withers. Avery Wilson, Tevin Campbell, and Tony Redd received a standing ovation for their performance honoring Freddie Jackson. Additional tributes were performed by Dee-1, Jade Novah, Jagged Edge, Jekalyn Carr, Naughty By Nature, June's Diary, Keke Wyatt, Kelly Price, Le'Andria Johnson, Melanie Fiona, Travis Greene, Mali Music, 702 and more.



#### Arrested Development Receive Hip Hop Icon Award

The night culminated with founder and chairman, Don Jackson, expressing gratitude to the honorees, presenters, and performers for making the night unforgettable. He stated, "the Black Music Honors allows us to celebrate the

accomplishments of the trailblazers of African-American music.â€

The award show began airing in select markets on Bounce TV and is slated to air in full on October 20th. Head to the [Black Music Honors website](#) for more info or click [Blackmusichonors.com/Airtimes.html](http://Blackmusichonors.com/Airtimes.html) to check local airdates and broadcast times.

The 4th Annual Black Music Honors show is Executive Produced by Don Jackson, with Jennifer J. Jackson serving as Producer and Michael A. Johnson as Producer and Director. State Farm returns as the Black Music Honors title sponsor, in addition to presenting sponsors: AT&T, Walmart, Chevrolet, Neutrogena Hydro Boost, Stellar TV and Central City Productions, Inc.

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## Brown Sugar Celebrating Black Music Month With Prince, Michael Jackson, BeyoncÃ© & Rihanna



Brown Sugar is celebrating Black Music Month with a collection of films from Prince: *Purple Rain*, Michael Jackson: *The Journey*, BeyoncÃ©: *On Top*, Rihanna: *No Regrets* and The Winans: *The Lost Concert*.

The video on demand has a lineup for Father's Day called Brown Sugar Daddies that includes a series of films with strong father figures. Don Cheadle's *Hotel Rwanda*, *Souder* starring Paul Winfield, James Earl Jones' *The River Niger* and season six of *Family Time* with Omar Gooden.

Brown Sugar is available via Apple TV, Chromecast, Roku,

Comcast Xfinity X1, Amazon Channels, Amazon Kindle, Android and Apple Smartphones.Â

For the full lineup of programming check out [BrownSugar.com](http://BrownSugar.com).Â

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# Brown Sugar Will Celebrate Pam Grier's 70th Birthday In May



Bounce TV's Brown Sugar channel will honor the queen of action movies Pam Grier's 70th birthday in May with a collection of her movies. Grier's *Coffy*, *Sheba, Baby*, *Friday Foster*, *The Big Bird Cage*, *The Big Doll House* and *Women In Cages* will stream on the channel. It was during the 1970s when Grier became famous as a fierce and physical onscreen heroine with style. Her characters were fearless and would take on any villain with force and feminine power. Grier's work paved the way for every woman who played an action hero after her including Angelia Jolie, Michelle Rodriguez, and Gal Gadot among others. She soared again in the '90s with Quentin Tarantino's *Jackie Brown* that was created just for her. Grier will celebrate her birthday next month with Brown Sugar's programming dedicated to her and she will also be seen in the new movie *Poms* which opens on May 10th.Â

For more information about Brown Sugar visit [www.BrownSugar.com](http://www.BrownSugar.com).Â

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