

Ava DuVernay Secures First-Look Deal With Oprah Winfrey's Harpo Films Queen Sugar Renewed For Third Season



Ava DuVernay has secured a first look deal with Oprah Winfrey's Harpo Films and renewed *Queen Sugar* for a third season. DuVernay's *Central Park Five* is the first collaboration for Netflix from Participant Media, Tribeca Productions and Harpo Films. Winfrey released a statement on their new partnership:

"I'm so proud of Ava and her ability as a filmmaker to challenge the status quo and push for inclusiveness on screen and behind the camera. I love, love, love the work we have been able to create so far. I am looking forward to developing many more meaningful projects together."

Queen Sugar airs on Wednesday nights at 10 PM ET and it chronicles the lives of the Bordelon family and their newly acquired farm and sugar mill. OWN has announced that Roger Guenveur Smith, Beverly Todd and Michael Michele will have recurring roles in season two. Michele and Smith will play the estranged parents of Bianca Lawson's character Darla. Todd plays Mother Olivia Brown, a beloved and respected matriarchal activist living in the 9th Ward.

DuVernay's all-female directing team includes Julie Dash,

Sundance Award-winning director Garrett Bradley and Christina Voros who is the acclaimed cinematographer of *Child Of God* and directed *The Ladies*.

Media Questions Of The Week

Just had a very fruitful call with Alex Ljung. [@SoundCloud](#) is here to stay.

– Chance The Rapper (@chancetherapper) [July 14, 2017](#)

Did Chance The Rapper save Soundcloud?



Why didn't *Insecure* or *Queen Sugar* receive Emmy nominations?



What happened to Sammy Sosa's original complexion?

OWN Releases 2nd Official Trailer For Season 2 Of Queen Sugar

[youtube id="GRn23eG6X9I"] OWN has released the second trailer for season two of *Queen Sugar* and the images are just as absorbing as the first trailer. The Bordelon family's battle to become the first Black family to own a sugar mill is the main story but the trailer also has plenty of scenes pertaining to the other plots within the dominant one. The show has a two-night premiere on June 20th and 21st.

Queen Sugar Season 2 Official Trailer

[youtube id="jzCBm-fE2es"] OWN has released the official trailer for season 2 of *Queen Sugar*. The new season will have a two-night launch on June 20th and 21st at 10PM ET. On June 19th The [LA Film Festival](#) will host show creator Ava DuVernay with season 2's all women directors for a discussion and a screening of the first episode. In the trailer, the Bordelon family is battling with the establishment over their desire to have the first Black-owned sugar mill.