Entertainment

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Grindhouse gives 1970's nostalgia

CRITIC'S CORNER
By DNA Smith

"Grindhouse"
Running time: 185 minutes
MPAA rating: R

For those who came of age in the late '60s and '70s, the heyday of the grindhouse flick, our moviegoing appetites were sated by a constant buffet of Bad Girls ("Faster, Pussycat! Kill! Kill!), blaxploitation flicks ("Scream, Blackula, Scream!), gore fests ("Dawn of the Dead") and other assorted low-budget, over-the-top schlockers filled with bad acting, bare breasts and high body counts.

Directors Quentin Tarantino and Robert Rodriguez have based their careers on paying homage to those films, and with "Grindhouse" they pull out all the stops to re-create the look and feel of what it was like to stumble into a run-down, sticky-floored 42nd Street theater in the 1970s. From missing reels, to scratched film stock, damaged soundtracks and a passel o' groovy mock trailers, the duo have created a totally immersive, high-octane experience.

Rodriguez directs the first film in the double feature, "Planet Terror," a high-velocity, uber-gory zombie flick featuring a feisty go-go dancer (Rose McGowan) with a machine-gun to replace her leg that was eaten by the undead, a lesbian doctor with a mini-pistol that shoots syringes, a pair of psychotic twin babysitters and the added joy of watching The Black-Eyed Peas' Fergie get ripped apart by brain-eating zombies. (Alas, if life could imitate art.)

The second film (directed by Tarantino), "Death Proof," stars Kurt Russell as Stuntman Mike, a serial killer who uses his deathproofed car as a weapon to kill pretty girls. The film pays homage to both the high-octane chase movies like "Gone in 60 Seconds" and "Vanishing Point," and the Bad Girl, "Faster Pussycat!" genre. The high point of "Death Proof" is watching the greatest stuntwoman of our time, Zoe Bell, hanging onto the hood of a speeding car while Russell's character constantly rams into her. You don't see great old-school stuntwork like that anymore.

I know that a movie like "Grindhouse" isn't going to appeal to a lot of people who are used to the usual watered-down PG-13 fare that passes as entertainment these days. But for those of us who grew up on "Shaft in Africa," "Race With the Devil" and "Omega Man," "Grindhouse" is a love letter reminding us why we loved going to the movies in the first place.

GRADE: A

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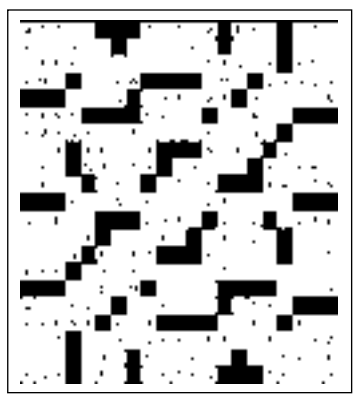
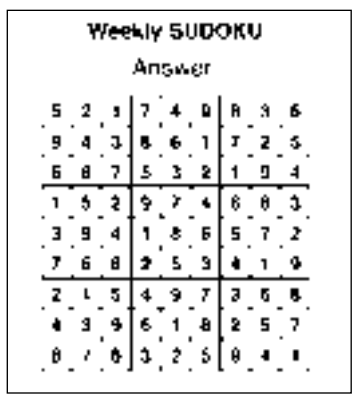
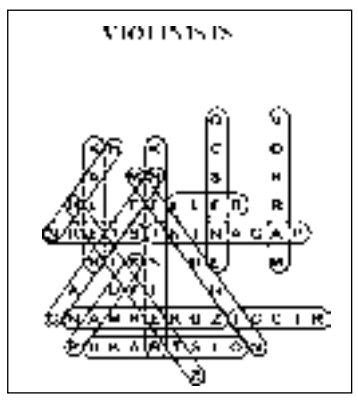
Above: Rose McGowan and Marley Shelton in "Planet Terror." "Grindhouse" is a throwback to the days of low budget and low quality slasher films of the 1960's and 1970's. The movie it self is a double feature with Robert Rodriguez directing "Planet Terror" and Quentin Tarantino directing the second half of the double feature titled "Death Proof."







Entertainment CALENDAR

Thursday 5/17
Kooter Borwn's West End
Oriskany Anniversary Celebration, 5 p.m.
Paddy O' Leary's
Traditional Music Session
Paradise Bar & Grill
Tim Spencer, 6 p.m.
Peg Leg Pete's
Mike Quinn, 6 p.m.
Sandshaker Lounge
Gary Hempsey, 7 p.m.

Friday 5/18
Paddy O' Leary's
Fort Morgan Slammers, 8p.m.
Peg Leg Pete's
Richard Bowen, 6 p.m.
Sandshaker Lounge
Karaoke, 8:30 p.m.
Paradise Bar & Grill
Kee Creek, 6 p.m.

Saturday 5/19
Paddy O' Leary's
Bill Dossey, David Glenco & Ricky Lee Phelps, 8p.m.
Peg Leg Pete's
Richard Madden, 6 p.m.
Sandshaker Lounge
Paul Killough, 2-5 p.m., Midnight Confessions, 8:30 p.m.
Paradise Bar & Grill
Kee Creek, 6 p.m.

Sunday 5/20
Sandshaker Lounge
Midnight Confessions, 3:30 p.m.
Peg Leg Pete's
Paul Killough, 6 p.m.
Paradise Bar & Grill
Not Guilty, 4 p.m.

Monday 5/21
Sandshaker Lounge
Bar and restaurant appreciation day, 11 a.m.
Peg Leg Pete's
Ken Smith, 6 p.m.
Paradise Bar & Grill
Motor City Josh, 6 p.m., Texas Holdem 4444 Fun , 7 p.m.

Tuesday 5/22
Bands on the Beach
Not Quite Fab, 7 p.m.
Peg Leg Pete's
Tim Spencer, 6 p.m.
Sandshaker Lounge
Karaoke, 7:30 p.m.
Paradise Bar & Grill
Motor City Josh, 6 p.m.

Wednesday 5/23
Sandshaker Lounge
Open Mic Night, 7:30 p.m.
Peg Leg Pete's
Jim Andrews, 6 p.m.
Paradise Bar & Grill
Songwriter's Night, 6 p.m.

Thursday 5/24
.Paddy O' Leary's
Traditional Music Session
Peg Leg Pete's
Knee Deep, 6 p.m.
Paradise Bar & Grill
Tim Spencer 6 p.m.

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Thursday Evening — MOVIES — May 17, 2007

	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30
ABC	Ugly Betty "East Side Story" (CC)		Grey's Anatomy (Season Finale) (N)		(:15) Lost "The Answers" (N) (CC)		News (N)	(:35) News (N)
CBS	Bob Barker: A Celebration of 50 Years		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation		News (N)	Late Show
PBS	Community	Food for Thought	The This Old House Hour (CC)		Antiques Roadshow "Omaha" (CC)		Supernatural Science (CC)	
FOX	★★ The Day After Tomorrow (2004) Dennis Quaid. Global warming leads to worldwide natural disasters.					News (N)	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond
NBC	The Office "The Job, Parts 1 and 2"		Scrubs (Season Finale) (N) (CC)		(:01) ER "The Honeymoon Is Over"		News (N)	Tonight Show
A&E	CSI: Miami (CC)		Iceman-Psych.		Iceman Confess		Iceman Tapes	
ABCFAM	Like Mike 2: Streetball (2006) (CC)				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club (CC)	
COM	Daily	Colbert	Reno 911	S. Park	S. Park	Spade	Daily	Colbert
DISN	★★ Genius (1999) (CC)			So Raven	Life De	Phil	Suite Life	So Raven
E!	THS Investigates: Mind of a Serial Killer				Katie	Simple	E! News	Daily 10
ESPN	NBA Basketball: Conference Semifinal					NBA Basketball: Conf. Semi.		
HBO	★★ The Break-Up (2006)			Sopranos	Big Love (CC)		Cathouse	Real Sex
LIFE	Reba	Reba	Fantasia Barrino: Life Is Not Fairy Tale				Will	Will
MAX	(:15) ★★★ American Psycho (2000)				★★ X-Men: The Last Stand			Best Sex
MTV	Holly	Holly	Pimp	MTV	Holly	Giant	The Real World	
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scn		TNA Wrestling		The Ultimate Fighter		The Ultimate Fighter	
TBS	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★★ Legally Blonde (2001, Comedy) (CC)			
TNT	★★★ The Negotiator (1998) Samuel L. Jackson. (CC) (DVS)						Without a Trace	
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI		Law Order: CI	

Thursday

7 p.m. on NBC

The Office: Change is good ... or is it? As Michael, Jim and Karen (Steve Carell, John Krasinski, Rashida Jones) compete for a job at corporate headquarters, Dwight (Rainn Wilson) makes some radical changes in the way things are done at the Scranton office. Jan (Melora Hardin) has some big news for the staff.

Friday

8 p.m. on ABC

National Bingo Night: A bingo game show? It doesn't sound very exciting, but then again, "Wheel of Fortune" and "Jeopardy!" are simply hangman and Trivial Pursuit done up big. This new series does bingo up big, too, pitting contestants against members of the studio audience in a race to score "bingo" and win prizes.

Saturday

8 p.m. on CBS

CSI: NY: It's only a game — yeah, right. Mac, Stella and Flack (Gary Sinise, Melina Kanakaredes, Eddie Cahill) investigate the death of an assistant prosecutor in "Fare Game." They discover he was into a fantasy game involving water guns, and he would do anything to win. Detective Kaile Maka (guest star Kelly Hu) helps Danny and Sheldon (Carmine Giovinazzo, Hill Harper) investigate a death linked to a restaurant with a menu worthy of "Fear Factor."

Sunday

6 p.m. on ABC

Extreme Makeover: Home Edition: All this show's makeover recipients are deserving, but the subject of the two-part season finale is a real hero. Debbie Oatman-Gaitan is a single mom who's adopted three boys with disabilities, and two of them are HIV-positive. The "Extreme" team works its usual magic, replacing her modest, problem-ridden house with a beautiful new one in only seven days.

Monday

7 p.m. on FOX

24: It's down to the final two hours of one of Jack's (Kiefer Sutherland) most harrowing days ever. But that doesn't mean he can relax. He still has to deal with the repercussions of an assassination attempt on the president, some missing nukes and the threat of a world-changing international incident.

Tuesday

8 p.m. on FOX

On the Lot: So you think you can make movies? Competitive reality guru Mark Burnett ("Survivor") teams up with none other than Steven Spielberg for this new series, which seeks the filmmaking equivalent of an American Idol. Like "Idol," this one lets the viewers pick their favorites, with one finalist going home each week until the winner is crowned.

Wednesday

7 p.m. on FOX

American Idol: What a long, strange season it's been. No matter who is crowned the sixth American Idol in the two-hour finale, this will be remembered as the Season of Sanjaya. The teenager with the big smile, big hair and not-so-big singing talent made major waves on the show before getting voted off in seventh place, and he's been far from idle since leaving "Idol." But tonight, it's all about the final two and the big winner.

Friday Evening — MOVIES — May 18, 2007

	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30
ABC	America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)		National Bingo Night (CC)		(:01) 20/20 (CC)		News (N)	(:35) News (N)
CBS	Celebrating Cronkite at 90		A Dr. Phil Primetime Special: Caged? (N)		NUMB3RS "The Janus List" (CC)		News (N)	Late Show
PBS	Washington Week	NOW (N) (CC)	PJC Today	Anatomy-Hurr	Bill Moyers Journal (N) (CC)		Tavis Smiley	Greatest Escapes
FOX	House "Safe" (PA) (CC)		Bones "The Skull in the Desert" (CC)		News (N)		Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond
NBC	Dateline NBC A man accused of killing his wife and then shooting himself. (N) (CC)				Law & Order "The Family Hour" (CC)		News (N)	Tonight Show
A&E	CSI: Miami (CC)		CSI: Miami "Legal"		Intervention (CC)		Intervention "Dillon"	
ABCFAM	★★★ The Sixth Sense (1999) Bruce Willis. (CC)					Whose?	The 700 Club (CC)	
COM	Daily	Colbert	Reno 911	Presents	Presents	Presents	Presents	Presents
DISN	Montana	Cory	(:05) ★★ The Lizzie McGuire Movie				Suite Life	So Raven
E!	★★★ Best in Show (2000) Parker Posey				The Soup	Holly	E! News	Daily 10
ESPN	NBA Basketball: Conference Semifinal					NBA Basketball: Conf. Semi.		
HBO	★★★ 16 Blocks (2006) Bruce Willis.				Entou	Entou	Real Time	
LIFE	Reba	Reba	Lying Eyes (1996) Cassidy Rae. (CC)				Housewives	
MAX	(6:30) ★★★ Batman Begins (2005)				★★★ Inside Man (2006) (CC)			
MTV	24 Hours of Human Giant							
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		UFC Fight Night			
TBS	MLB Baseball: Braves at Red Sox				Raymond	Raymond	While-Sleeping	
TNT	★★ Reign of Fire (2002) Christian Bale.				★★★ Sleepy Hollow (1999, Horror) (CC)			
USA	Law SVU	★★ Sweet Home Alabama (2002) Premiere. (CC)					House (CC)	

Saturday Evening — MOVIES — May 19, 2007

	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30
ABC	Extreme Bloopers: Reality Edition (N)		★★ The Pacifier (2005, Comedy) Vin Diesel, Lauren Graham. Premiere. (CC)				News (N)	(:35) Cold Squad
CBS	NCIS "Frame-Up" (CC)		CSI: NY "Fare Game" (CC)		48 Hours Mystery (CC)		News (N)	Without a Trace
PBS	The Lawrence Welk Show		Keeping Up	As Time Goes By	Being Served	Fawlty Towers	Monty Python	Monty Python
FOX	Cops (N) (CC)	Cops (N) (CC)	America's Most Wanted-Fights Back		News (N)	CSI: Miami "Under Suspicion" (CC)		Mad TV (CC)
NBC	Dateline NBC (N) (CC)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order "Bling" (CC)		News (N)	Sat. Night
A&E	24 (CC)		24 (CC)		24 (CC)		24 (CC)	
ABCFAM	(6:30) ★★★ The Sixth Sense (1999) (CC)				The Dukes of Hazzard: The Beginning			
COM	★ Not Another Teen Movie (2001) (CC)				★★ Zoolander (2001) Ben Stiller. (CC)			
DISN	Cory	Suite Life	★★ Pixel Perfect (2004) Ricky Ullman.				Suite Life	So Raven
E!	Hollywd Moms		Dancing-Stars		Saturday Night Live		The Soup	Summer
ESPN	2006 World Series of Poker				Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter (CC)	
HBO	★★★ V for Vendetta (2006, Action) (CC)				Boxing Cory Spinks vs. Jermain Taylor.			
LIFE	The Test of Love		What if God Were the Sun? (2007) (CC)				Medium (CC)	
MAX	Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous				★ Waist Deep (2006) (CC)			Sex Spa
MTV	Once Upon a Prom		MTV Special		The Real World		Real World	
SPIKE	★★★ First Blood (1982) Richard Crenna				The Ultimate Fighter		TNA Wrestling	
TBS	★★★ Erin Brockovich (2000) Julia Roberts, Albert Finney. (CC)						Mr. Holland's Opus	
TNT	★★ Van Helsing (2004) Hugh Jackman. (CC)					★★ Van Helsing (2004) (CC)		
USA	How	★★ Sweet Home Alabama (2002) Josh Lucas (CC)					House (CC)	

Sunday Evening — MOVIES — May 20, 2007

	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30
ABC	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition (CC)		Desperate Housewives (CC)		(:02) Brothers & Sisters "Matriarchy"		News (N)	The Law Show
CBS	★★★★ Million Dollar Baby (2004) Clint Eastwood. Premiere. A cantankerous trainer bonds with a female boxer. (CC)						News (N)	Andy Griffith
PBS	Nature "Supersize Crocs"		Masterpiece Theatre "The Secret Life of Mrs. Beeton" (N)			Funny Women	As Time Goes By	Fawlty Towers
FOX	The Simpsons (Season Finale) (N)		Family Guy	American Dad	News (N)	CSI: Miami "Urban Hellraisers" (CC)		Every-Raymond
NBC	★★ National Treasure (2004) Nicolas Cage, Hunter Gomez. A man tries to steal the Declaration of Independence. (CC)						News (N)	Law Call
A&E	Dog	Dog	Simmons	Simmons	Simmons	Simmons	The First 48 (CC)	
ABCFAM	The List (2006) Wayne Brady. Premiere.				The List (2006) Wayne Brady. (CC)			
COM	★★ Office Space (1999) Ron Livingston.				Mencia	Reno 911	S. Park	S. Park
DISN	My Date With the President's Daughter				Phil	Sadie	Suite Life	So Raven
E!	Girls	Girls	Girls	Girls	Girls	50 Most Shock		The Soup
ESPN	MLB Baseball New York Yankees at New York Mets. (CC)						SportsCenter (CC)	
HBO	The Wedding Date		The Sopranos (N)		Entou	★★ The Omen (2006) (CC)		
LIFE	Till Lies Do Us Part (2007) Paula Trickey.				Blood Ties Psychic.		Grey's Anatomy	
MAX	(:15) ★★ Just Like Heaven (2005)				Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire (2005)			
MTV	The Real World		Scarred	Scarred	Holly	Holly	Holly	Holly
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn	
TBS	★★ Deep Impact (1998, Drama) Robert Duvall. (CC)				★★★ Air Force One (1997)			
TNT	★ Mr. Deeds (2002) Adam Sandler. (CC)				★ Mr. Deeds (2002) Adam Sandler. (CC)			
USA	Coyote	★★ Sweet Home Alabama (2002) Josh Lucas (CC)					Law & Order: SVU	

Monday Evening — MOVIES — May 21, 2007

	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30
ABC	Dancing With the Stars (Live) (CC)		(:01) The Bachelor: Officer and a Gentleman (Season Finale) (N) (CC)				News (N)	(:35) News (N)
CBS	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	CSI: Miami "Backstabbers" (CC)		News (N)	Late Show
PBS	Antiques Roadshow "Omaha" (CC)		American Experience (CC) (DVS)		City at War: London Calling (N) (CC)			Raids of WWII
FOX	24 (Season Finale) Jack tries to protect the country from an international incident. (N)				News (N)		Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond
NBC	Deal or No Deal (iTV) (N) (CC)		Heroes (Season Finale) (N) (CC)		(:02) Law & Order: Criminal Intent		News (N)	Tonight Show
A&E	CSI: Miami (CC)		The Sopranos (CC)		(:15) The Sopranos (CC)			TBA
ABCFAM	Kyle XY (CC)		Whose?	Whose?	Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club (CC)	
COM	Daily	Colbert	Reno 911	S. Park	Scrubs	Scrubs	Daily	Colbert
DISN	The Cheetah Girls 2 (2006) Raven. (CC)				Life De	Phil	Suite Life	So Raven
E!	Lindsay Lohan		50 Most Shock		50 Most Shock		E! News	Daily 10
ESPN	MLB Baseball: Red Sox at Yankees				Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter (CC)	
HBO	Real Time		The Sopranos (CC)		★★★ V for Vendetta (2006) (CC)			
LIFE	Reba	Reba	The Bad Son (2007) Catherine Dent. (CC)				Will	Will
MAX	★ Waist Deep (2006) (CC)			Spoken	★★ Rumor Has It ... (2005)			Best Sex
MTV	MTV Special		MTV Special		MTV Special		MTV Special	
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		Ult. Fighting		Crocodile Dundee II	
TBS	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Family	Family	Sex &	Sex &
TNT	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order	
USA	Law & Order: SVU		WWE Monday Night Raw (Live) (CC)				Law & Order: SVU	

Tuesday Evening — MOVIES — May 22, 2007

	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30
ABC	Dancing With the Stars (Season Finale) (Live) (CC)				(:01) Boston Legal (Season Finale) (N)		News (N)	(:35) News (N)
CBS	NCIS "Angel of Death" (CC)		Jesse Stone: Sea Change (2007) Tom Selleck, Kathy Baker. Premiere. (CC)				News (N)	Late Show
PBS	Nova "The Great Robot Race"		Supernatural Science "Buried Alive"		Frontline "A Hidden Life" (CC) (DVS)		Independent Lens "Knocking" (N)	
FOX	American Idol (Live) (CC)		On the Lot (Series Premiere) (N) (CC)		News (N)		Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond
NBC	Dateline NBC (N) (CC)		Law & Order: Criminal Intent (CC)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		News (N)	Tonight Show
A&E	CSI: Miami (CC)		Bounty Hunter		Angel	Angel	Angel	Angel
ABCFAM	★★★ Beetlejuice (1988) Michael Keaton.				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club (CC)	
COM	Daily	Colbert	Reno 911	S. Park	Live at Gotham		Daily	Colbert
DISN	Kim Possible: So the Drama			Kim	Life De	Phil	Suite Life	So Raven
E!	50 Most Shock		50 Most Shock		50 Most Shock		E! News	Daily 10
ESPN	NBA	Lottery	NBA Basketball: Conference Final					SportsCtr
HBO	★★ The Family Stone (2005)			Making	The Sopranos (CC)		Entou	Break-Up
LIFE	Reba	Reba	Nora Roberts' Blue Smoke (2007) (CC)				Will	Will
MAX	(:15) ★★ X-Men: The Last Stand (2006)				★★ Ali G Indahouse (2002)			Erotic
MTV	MTV Special		MTV Special		MTV Special		MTV Special	
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scn		★★★ House of Flying Daggers (2004) Premiere.					Fighter
TBS	MLB Baseball New York Mets at Atlanta Braves.					Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
TNT	Law & Order		The Closer (CC)		The Closer (CC)		Cold Case (CC)	
USA	Law & Order: SVU		★★ Kiss the Girls (1997) Morgan Freeman. (CC)					Law CI

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	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30
ABC	Lost "The Answers" (CC)		Lost The castaways begin efforts to make contact with Naomi's rescue ship. (CC)				News (N)	(:35) News (N)
CBS	NCIS "Probie" (CC)		Criminal Minds "Distress" (CC)		CSI: NY "Obsession" (CC)		News (N)	Late Show
PBS	Secrets of the Dead (CC)		The Blair Decade British Prime Minister Tony Blair. (N) (CC)				Austin City Limits "The Dixie Chicks"	
FOX	American Idol (Season Finale) Viewers determine the next American Idol; reunion.				News (N)		Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond
NBC	Saturday Night Live in the '90s: Pop Culture Nation (PA) (CC)				Dateline NBC (N) (CC)		News (N)	Tonight Show
A&E	CSI: Miami (CC)		★★★ A Few Good Men (1992, Drama) Tom Cruise. (CC)					
ABCFAM	The List (2006) Wayne Brady. (CC)				Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club (CC)	
COM	Daily	Colbert	Reno 911	S. Park	S. Park	Mencia	Daily	Colbert
DISN	Life Is Ruff (2005) Kyle Massey.			So Raven	Life De	Phil	Suite Life	So Raven
E!	50 Most Shock		50 Most Shock		50 Most Shock		E! News	Daily 10
ESPN	MLB Baseball: Red Sox at Yankees				Baseball Tonight		SportsCenter (CC)	
HBO	★★★ Wide Awake (2006)			Entou	Real Time		The Sopranos (CC)	
LIFE	Reba	Reba	★★ A Perfect Murder (1998) (CC)				Will	Will
MAX	(:15) ★★★ Analyze This (1999) (CC)				★ Waist Deep (2006) (CC)			Bikini
MTV	MTV Special		MTV Special		MTV Special		MTV Special	
SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: Crime Scn		CSI: NY (CC)	
TBS	MLB Baseball New York Mets at Atlanta Braves.					Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
TNT	Pregame	NBA Basketball Conference Final -- Teams TBA.					Inside the NBA	
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law Order: CI	