

ABOUT WENDY WILLIAMS

Media mogul, philanthropist, entrepreneur, performer and best-selling author, Wendy Williams is best known for her nationally syndicated talk show, *The Wendy Williams Show*. The show which is extended through 2020, has been nominated for multiple daytime Emmy awards, has memorabilia in the Smithsonian Museum, and is broadcasted in over 50 countries. *The Wendy Williams Show* is produced and distributed by Debmar-Mercury, and averages more than 1.8 million viewers an episode. The show is currently in its eleventh season.

Taped live in New York City, *The Wendy Williams Show* is a reflection of Wendy's entertaining personality and distinctive sense of humor. The focus on entertainment and pop culture exemplifies Wendy's passion for those topics, and the show's signature segments include "Hot Topics" with Wendy's own "Say It Like You Mean It" take on the celebrity headlines; "Trendy at Wendy," which showcases the hottest brands; and "Ask Wendy," where Wendy offers real advice to audience members looking for answers.

The show also includes a diverse mix of interviews with celebrity guests from television, film, music, and sports. Both Wendy and the show have earned Daytime Emmy nominations for "Best Talk Show Host" and "Best Entertainment Talk Show."

Prior to achieving success in daytime television, Wendy built a devoted fan base throughout a successful 23-year career in radio, with "The Wendy Williams Experience," being a top-rated daily radio show. Syndicated nationally, it aired on WBLS in New York and was listened to by an audience of more than 12 million people. One of the most popular personalities in radio, Wendy was inducted into the National Radio Hall of Fame in November of 2009 – one of only a handful of women with that honor.

Expanding her media footprint, Wendy and her husband Kevin launched the non-fiction television programming company, Wendy Williams Productions (WWP) in 2013. Recent projects include the Lifetime original movie *Aaliyah*:

The Princess of R&B and *Death by Gossip with Wendy Williams*, which premiered on Investigation Discovery.

With TV, Broadway and film performances to her name, Wendy is a seasoned performer, both as herself and in character. Her television credits include appearances on NBC's *30 Rock* as herself, competing on Season 12 of ABC's *Dancing With the Stars*, hosting Game Show Network's original series *Love Triangle*, and appearing as a featured guest on ABC's *One Life to Live* and Lifetime's *Drop Dead Diva*. Wendy also appeared in the major motion picture *Think Like a Man, Think Like A Man Too*, and took center stage as "Mama Morton" in the Tony-winning revival of the musical *Chicago*.

In the spring of 2014, Wendy released her seventh book and first romance novel, *Hold Me in Contempt* (Harper Collins). The book became a *New York Times* Best-Seller the first day of its release and sales continue to thrive among her fans.

The summer of 2015 marked the launch of Wendy's stand-up comedy career with her "Sit Down Tour—Too Real for Stand Up," where Wendy toured more than 15 cities across the country and shared straight talk as only she can.

In recent years, Wendy has also added fashion designer to her resume, becoming a #1 selling brand with HSN through her Wendy Williams collection.
