



TALES Returns to BET for Season 2 Featuring an Exclusive, Soon-to-Be-Released Song, “Brothers” by Kanye West Feat. Charlie Wilson, Produced by TALES Creator, Producer and Writer Irv ‘Gotti’ Lorenzo and Seven

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“BROTHERS” WILL DEBUT ON BET AND MTV GLOBALLY AND ON VH1’S INTERNATIONAL CHANNELS ON JULY 2ND WITH CAST INCLUDING ELIJAH KELLEY, DRAYA MICHELE, ISAIAH WASHINGTON, AND THOMAS Q. JONES

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jun. 14, 2019-- BET Networks in conjunction with **Irv ‘Gotti’ Lorenzo** announce the season two global premiere of hit original series, **TALES**. The series will make a global return, with a two-hour premiere. The debut episode, “Brothers,” brings a new and exciting twist for the series, by serving as the launchpad for an unreleased Kanye West song exclusive to the show’s soundtrack. Fans can tune-in to BET and MTV channels globally and on VH1’s international channels on Tuesday, July 2. BET and the international channels will air the first look at 9:00 PM E.T., with MTV airing in a later timeslot.

“I am beyond excited for the return of TALES. Producing this new record with my production partner Seven and working with Kanye for a song exclusively for the TALES series, has been one of the highlights of my music and TV career. I did it for my Hip Hop Culture. I wanted to give the fans something to listen to and enjoy as well as visually enjoy, and “Brothers,” the song in conjunction with this global TV premiere is precisely that moment. TALES IS BACK!!,” the hip-hop mogul announced. Contrary to previous episodes that feature a catalog of previously released music, this season’s premiere will feature a new song, “**Brothers**” by **Kanye West featuring Charlie Wilson**. “Brothers” is produced by Irv “Gotti” Lorenzo and his production partner, Seven.

Each week, **TALES** transforms the lyrics of hip-hop’s greatest hits into captivating visual narratives through the eyes of Irv “Gotti” Lorenzo . To bring the “Brothers” story to life, Lorenzo has cast a variety of TV and Film veterans including **Elijah Kelley** (*The New Edition Story, Star, The Bobby Brown Story*), **Draya Michele** (*Real Husbands of Hollywood*), **Isaiah Washington** (*Grey’s Anatomy, The 100*), **Thomas Q. Jones** (*Being Mary Jane, Luke Cage*), **LisaRaye McCoy** (*All of Us, Single Ladies*), and **Cynthia Bailey** (*Real Housewives of Atlanta, How High 2*).

The scripted anthology series will include nine additional episodes that will feature timeless hits including **Geto Boys’** “Mind Playing Tricks on Me,” **Migos’** “Slippery,” **Nas’** “I Gave You Power,” **Mary J. Blige’s** “My Life,” **Lil Uzi Vert’s** “XO Tour Life,” **Cardi B’s** “Bodak Yellow,” **Dr. Dre and Snoop Dogg’s** “Deep Cover,” **Lauryn Hill’s** “Ex-Factor,” and **XXXtentacion’s** “Moonlight.”

Love, murder and a whole lot of hip-hop will bring new life to songs in this season, created and executive produced by pioneering hip-hop hitmaker, **Irving “Irv Gotti” Lorenzo** and his **Visionary Ideas production company** alongside executive producers **Ron Robinson** and **Robert Munic**, producers **Darcell Lawrence**, **John Bryant**, **James Seppelfrick**, **Keith Neal** and **Eric Tomosunas**, and co-producers **Sonny Lorenzo**, **JJ Lorenzo** and **Darien Baldwin**. The series has enlisted **Tasha Smith** (*Why Did I Get Married, Daddies Little Girls, Star, Power*), **Robert Munic** (*Empire*), **Joshua Butler** (*Pretty Little Liars, The Vampire Diaries, The Magicians, Shadowhunters*), **Erik White** (*Tales S:1*), **Benny Boom** (*NCIS: Los Angeles, Black Lighting, The Quad*), **Bryan Barber** (*Idlewild, Instant Mom*), and first-time directors **Ellie Foubi** and **Nefertite Nguvu** to direct episodes throughout the series. Writers will include **Robert Munic**, **Leah Keith**, **Adam Wiesen**, **Patrick Coker**, **John Barcheski**, **Michael Cobian**, **Leah Benavides**, **Larry “Legend” Spivey**, **Marcus J. Guillory** and **Trevor Vandelac**.

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