**Season 11 of Beloved British Drama**

**CALL THE MIDWIFE Premieres March 20, 2022, on PBS**

ARLINGTON, VA (March 4, 2021) – PBS announced today that the critically-acclaimed British drama [**CALL THE MIDWIFE**](https://www.pbs.org/call-the-midwife/)will return for its 11th season Sundays, March 20-May 8, 2022, at 8:00 p.m. ET on PBS stations (check local listings). Commissioned in partnership with the BBC, the eight-part series, which follows the nurses, midwives and nuns from Nonnatus House in London’s East End, will air as part of PBS’s Sunday night drama lineup and will stream nationally on [PBS.org](http://www.pbs.org/) and the[PBS Video App](https://www.pbs.org/pbs-video-app/).

Following an eventful holiday special, the series picks up in the spring of 1967, where celebrations are underway for a colorful Easter bonnet parade outside Nonnatus House. Sister Monica Joan and Reggie are excited about the Eurovision song contest, while Cyril and Lucille settle into blissful married life. Nancy, having just passed her midwifery examinations, is about to don her red cardigan for the first time, and Sister Frances examines a newly married woman who presents some troubling symptoms. Derek and Audrey Fleming return to Poplar with good news. Builders demolishing a nearby tenement block make a shocking discovery that has a heartbreaking effect on the team.

**CALL THE MIDWIFE** stars Jenny Agutter (“The Railway Children,” “The Eagle Has Landed”) as Sister Julienne; Annabelle Apsion (“Shameless”) as Violet Buckle; Olly Rix (“The Spanish Princess”) as Matthew Aylward; Linda Bassett (“East Is East,” “Lark Rise To Candleford”) as Nurse Phyllis Crane; Ella Bruccoleri (“The Last Kingdom”) as Sister Frances; Megan Cusack (“The Cherry Orchard”) as Pupil Midwife Nancy Corrigan; Leonie Elliott as Nurse Lucille Anderson (“Danny and the Human Zoo”); Helen George (“Hollyoaks,” “Doctors”) as Nurse Trixie Franklin; Georgie Glen (“Waterloo Road”) as Miss Higgins; Daniel Laurie (“The Dark Tower”) as Reggie Jackson; Laura Main (“Monarch of the Glen”) as Nurse Shelagh Turner; Stephen McGann (“Emmerdale”) as Dr. Patrick Turner; Judy Parfitt (“Little Dorrit,” Girl With a Pearl Earring) as Sister Monica Joan; Cliff Parisi (“EastEnders”) as Fred Buckle; Zephryn Taitte (“Brothers With No Game”) as Cyril Robinson; and Fenella Woolgar (“Bright Young Things,” “Home Fires”) as Sister Hilda. Vanessa Redgrave provides the voice of the mature Jennifer Worth.

**CALL THE MIDWIFE** will be available for streaming concurrent with broadcast on all station-branded PBS platforms, including [PBS.org](http://pbs.org/) and the [PBS Video App](https://www.pbs.org/pbs-video-app/), available on iOS, Android, Roku streaming devices, Apple TV, Android TV, Amazon Fire TV, Samsung Smart TV, Chromecast and VIZIO. PBS station members can stream episodes a week early via PBS Passport. Each Sunday (beginning on the night of the premiere), the next week’s episode will be available with PBS Passport. For more information about PBS Passport, visit the [PBS Passport FAQ](https://help.pbs.org/support/solutions/5000121793) website.

**CALL THE MIDWIFE**is created and written by Heidi Thomas. Executive producers are Pippa Harris, Heidi Thomas and Ann Tricklebank. The series is a Neal Street Production for BBC/PBS and is distributed internationally by BBC Studios.

**About PBS**

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**About Neal Street Productions**

Neal Street Productions is run by Sam Mendes, Pippa Harris, Caro Newling, and Nicolas Brown and has been successfully producing award-winning film, TV and theatre for over 15 years. Neal Street’s diverse film and television slate includes the hugely successful *Call the Midwife*for the BBC which has commissioned series 12 and 13 of the hit show. John Logan’s *Penny Dreadful*and *Penny Dreadful: City of Angels*for Showtime; the award-winning *The Hollow Crown*for the BBC; three series of Jez Butterworth’s *Britannia*for Sky/Epix, and the BAFTA-nominated, contemporary thriller *Informer*for BBC/Amazon. Neal Street’s film projects have included *Revolutionary Road*for Paramount and DreamWorks, *Things We Lost in the Fire*for DreamWorks, and *Jarhead*for Universal. More recently, *1917*, Neal Street's First World War epic, directed by Sam Mendes and co-written by Sam Mendes and Krysty Wilson-Cairns for Amblin and Universal, starred George MacKay, Dean-Charles Chapman, Mark Strong, Andrew Scott, Richard Madden, Colin Firth and Benedict Cumberbatch, and won won over 100 awards, including 2 Golden Globes for Best Picture and Best Director, 3 Academy Awards for Best Cinematography, VFX and Sound Mixing, and 7 BAFTAs including Best Film, Best British Film and Best Director.

Neal Street has just started shooting their latest film, *Empire of Light*, starring Olivia Colman, Micheal Ward, Colin Firth and Toby Jones. *Empire of Light* has been written and directed by Sam Mendes and will be released theatrically by Searchlight Pictures.

In theatre, recent productions include Jez Butterworth’s Olivier and Tony award-winning *The Ferryman;* *The Lehman Trilogy* which had sell-out runs in both the West End and on Broadway and will be touring in the US starting in Los Angeles at the Ahmanson Theatre in March 2022; as well as the multi-award winning *A Very Expensive Poison* written by Lucy Prebble, performed at the Old Vic

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