

PBS Sets Season Two Premiere Date for FUNNY WOMAN on February 2, 2025



Caption: FUNNY WOMAN SEASON TWO KEY ART Credit: (c) PBS / Potboiler Productions / (© Sky Studios Limited 2024.

Series Promo

LOS ANGELES, CA / ARLINGTON, VA, January 2, 2024 – PBS announces the return of the witty dramedy **FUNNY WOMAN**, set to premiere on February 2, 2025, at 10 p.m. ET (check local listings) on PBS, <u>PBS.org</u>, the <u>PBS App</u> and the <u>PBS Masterpiece</u> Prime Video Channel.

FUNNY WOMAN SEASON TWO promises more laughs and heartwarming connections as we see Gemma Arterton (*The Kings Man, Summerland*) return as Sophie Straw, the nation's favorite TV comedy star. She is navigating her newfound fame and career, has a group of good friends and her romance with Dennis is full of promise. However, with new opportunities come new challenges; will Sophie be able to embrace her real life and challenge outdated cultural conventions?

The returning cast includes Gemma Arterton, Arsher Ali (*Avenue 5, The Fear Index*), Alistair Petrie (*Sex Education, Rogue One: A Star Wars Story*), David Threlfall (*Shameless, Hot Fuzz*), Rosie Cavaliero (*Code 404, Jane Eyre*), Alexa Davies (*The Murders at White House Farm, Dead Pixels*), Matthew Beard (*Vienna Blood, The Imitation Game*), Leo Bill (*Becoming Jane, 28 Days Later*), and Clare-Hope Ashitey (*Top Boy, Children of Men*). New cast joining the series including Steve Zissis (*The Changeling, Togetherness*), Marcus Rutherford (*The Wheel of Time, Obey*), Tim Key (*The Witchfinder, This Time with Alan Partridge*), Gemma Whelan (*Game of Thrones, Cristóbal Balenciaga, The Tower*) and Roisin Conaty (*GameFace, Man Down*).

"Episode 1" Premieres February 2, 2025, 10 p.m. ET

Having established herself as the nation's favorite TV comedy star and with her budding



romance with Dennis on the right path, Sophie Straw's life is going great! But when her new sitcom flops, things start to go south with her family and with Dennis.

"Episode 2" Premieres February 9, 2025, 10 p.m. ET

The highs and lows continue for Sophie, whose first encounter with her mother proves disappointing. Feeling isolated at home, she moves into Pandora's flat, seeking solace in privacy. Edith's interest in Dennis is rekindled, leading Sophie to assume they're back together. With nothing to lose, Sophie agrees to star in a film opposite a French movie star – their chemistry is instant!

"Episode 3" Premieres February 16, 2025, 10 p.m. ET

With a little help from her friends, Sophie gets her life back on track. After mending her friendship with Marj and devising a brilliant new idea for a sitcom, she and Dennis have a heart-to-heart and finally get together! That's when they hear the shocking news; Bill's been arrested. And Sophie's parents are finally ready to talk.

"Episode 4" Premieres February 23, 2025, 10 p.m. ET

Sophie barely has time to digest the truth about her parents before learning that Lynda Jay is looking into her past and preparing a damning exposé. To save her reputation, Sophie enlists Diane to write a piece on her, in Sophie's own words. The feature is a success, inspiring support and admiration of her honesty. Emboldened, she exhibits newfound tenacity and stands her hard-earned ground.

FUNNY WOMAN SEASON TWO premieres February 2, 2025, 10-11 p.m. ET on PBS (check local listings) and will be available to stream on all station-branded PBS platforms including PBS.org, the PBS Passport, available on iOS, Android, Roku streaming devices, Apple TV, Android TV, Amazon Fire TV, Samsung Smart TV, Chromecast, and VIZIO. As well as the PBS MASTERPIECE Prime Video Channel.

Viewers can catch up on **FUNNY WOMAN** Season 1 on <u>PBS.org</u>, the <u>PBS App</u>, <u>PBS</u> Passport and the PBS Masterpiece Prime Video Channel.

For more information about **FUNNY WOMAN**, and other PBS programming, visit <u>pbs.org/pressroom</u>.

FUNNY WOMAN SEASON TWO is produced by Potboiler Television and Rebel Park Productions, in association with Sky Studios and based on the novel "Funny Girl" by Nick Hornby. Creative Director of Comedy Anil Gupta is Executive Producer for Sky Studios and commissioning editor is Tilusha Ghelani. Nick Hornby, Gemma Arterton, Morwenna Banks, Oliver Parker, Gail Egan, Andrea Calderwood, Jessica Parker and Jessica Malik serve as executive producers. Ross Williams is the series producer. The series is written by multi-award-winning writer Morwenna Banks (*Slow Horses*), BAFTA



winning writers Kevin Cecil (*Veep*) and Andy Riley (*Veep*). BAFTA nominee Oliver Parker directs. **FUNNY WOMAN SEASON TWO** is distributed by NBCUniversal Global TV Distribution on behalf of Sky Studios to PBS.

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