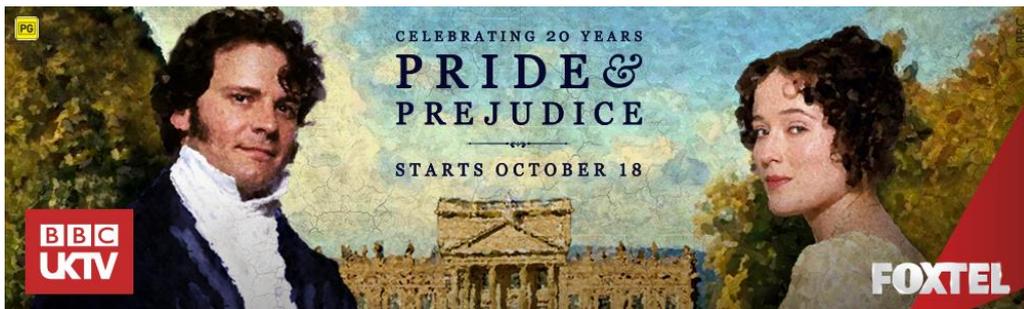


MEDIA ALERT

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RE-LIVE THE MOST MEMORABLE MOMENT IN BRITISH TV DRAMA.

JOIN UKTV FOR AN INDULGENT NIGHT IN TO CELEBRATE 20 YEARS OF THE ICONIC TV SERIES, *PRIDE AND PREJUDICE*.



To celebrate 20 years of the iconic TV series *Pride and Prejudice*, UKTV is offering fans the opportunity to re-live the most memorable moment in British TV drama.

Over six, gratifying Sunday nights, starting from October 18 at 8.30pm, viewers can indulge themselves in **Andrew Davies'** award-winning adaptation that launched **Colin Firth** into international stardom.

Widely acknowledged as the most iconic interpretation of the series ever made, fans still find Jane Austen's classic — a story that tells of the prejudice that occurred between the 19th century classes and the pride which would keep lovers apart — hard to forget.

The iconic image of Colin Firth emerging from the lake in a clingy, white t-shirt was voted in 2013 as the most memorable moment in British TV drama, challenging moments from iconic soaps, children's series and more contemporary programmes.

The mini-series played host to a raft of well-known female actresses including: BAFTA-nominee **Alison Steadman** as Mrs. Bennett; *Absolutely Fabulous* star **Julia Sawalha** as cheeky younger sister Lydia Bennett; well-known British television figure **Joanna David** as Mrs Gardiner and in her debut acting role, *Silent Witness* star **Emilia Fox** as Mr Darcy's younger sister, Georgianna Darcy.

A FEW THINGS YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW ABOUT *PRIDE AND PREJUDICE*

- **Emilia Fox** and **Joanna David** played alongside each other in the 1995 series and are in fact real life mother and daughter.
- **Anna Chancellor**, who plays superficial and selfish girl Caroline Bingley, is related to **Jane Austen**. Chancellor is a direct descendant of Austen's elder brother, Edward.

- The initial plan for the lake scene was for Mr Darcy to be completely naked, but it never went ahead because the BBC felt nudity would be too much for a Jane Austen costume drama.
- The “lake scene” voted as the most memorable moment in British TV drama continues to set hearts aflutter, despite the world-famous scene now confirmed as having been faked using a stunt man.

***Pride and Prejudice* airs on UKTV from October 18 at 8.30pm.**

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