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*Claws Season Three to Premiere Sunday, June 9 at 9 p.m. (ET/PT)*

April 4, 2019 – WarnerMedia Entertainment's TNT has set the premiere date for hit original series **Claws**, which returns **Sunday, June 9 at 9 p.m. ET/PT**. A fan-favorite, the series reached roughly **6.5M viewers per episode across linear, VOD, and digital platforms** and was **one of only three top 40 cable dramas to grow year over year in total viewers for 2018**.

**Claws** reached **33.6M total viewers** last season and ranked among the **top 10 cable dramas with 18-49** and **top 20 with total viewers**.

The hit dramedy currently stars Primetime Emmy® nominee and Daytime Emmy® winner **Niecy Nash**, Primetime Emmy® winner **Carrie Preston**, **Judy Reyes**, **Karrueche Tran**, **Jenn Lyon**, **Jack Kesy**, **Kevin Rankin**, **Jason Antoon**, **Evan Daigle**, **Suleka Mathew**, Screen Actors Guild Award® winner **Harold Perrineau**, and Screen Actors Guild Award® nominee **Dean Norris**.

**Claws** follows the rise of five treacherous manicurists working at the Nail Artisans of Manatee County salon, where there is a lot more going on than silk wraps and pedicures. In last year's epic Season Two finale, Desna (Nash) dodged an ill-fated marriage to the sinister Dr. Ruval (Jimmy Jean-Louis), took out her Russian crime boss, Zlata (Franka Potente), and inherited a new casino. The celebrations ended with a massive cliffhanger when Virginia (Tran) took a bullet for Desna as they were about to survey their new business venture. In Season Three, the ladies will quickly learn that the stakes couldn't be higher in the casino world, and Desna will take a gamble as she enters into business with a sinister couple, Mac (guest star Michael Horse) and Melba (guest star Rebecca Creskoff). This season, Nash and

Preston will each direct an episode.

*Claws* is executive-produced by **Rashida Jones** (*Angie Tribeca, Toy Story 4, Celeste and Jesse Forever, A to Z*), **Will McCormack** (*Toy Story 4, Celeste and Jesse Forever, A to Z*), **Janine Sherman Barrois** (*ER, Criminal Minds*), who also serves as showrunner, and **Eliot Laurence** (*Welcome to Me*), who created the series. *Claws* is produced for TNT by Jones and McCormack's **Le Train Train**, in association with **Warner Horizon Scripted Television**.

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