

Reality TV Bites

The networks have released their new Fall lineups, and there's no end in sight to the reality TV phenomenon. Here are just a few of the new reality game shows that will soon be beamed into your living room...

Who Wants to Get Hit in the Head With a Board?

ABC 7

CC TV14

Th 9:00-9:30 PM

In this exciting new game show from ABC, contestants ascend through fifteen levels of getting hit in the head with various objects. Starting with a rolled-up newspaper and concluding with the titular board, host Joy Behar will deliver a single smack upside the head to the contestant with a progressively deadlier object during each round. If the challenger is still deemed conscious, his prize money doubles. Contestants will have three lifelines: phoning a doctor for thirty seconds of medical assistance, splitting the object they are about to be hit with in half, and forcing a randomly-picked audience member to receive the blow in their stead. Intermediate-level objects include a pool cue, the G volume of the *Encyclopædia Britannica*, and an eight-pound trout.



The Racist Life

FOX 5

CC TVM

W 7:00-7:30 PM

In the third edition of Fox's reality hit, Paris Hilton and Nicole Ritchie travel to rural Mississippi to live on the cotton farm of Reginald Wilton, Grand Dragon of the Ku Klux Klan. While Paris is quickly accepted for her "pure Aryan blood," Nicole becomes ostracized because of her legal status as a "quadroon." Will Paris turn against her former best friend after learning that God never intended the races to mix? Is love in the air between Paris and Ezekiel, the studly young Klan novice? Will Nicole be lynched in the season finale? All this and more, Tuesdays at 9 on Fox.



The Bachelor: Lesbian Edition
UPN 9 **CC TVM**

W 8:00-9:00 PM

With twenty-three-year-old Eric Rawlings, heir to the lucrative Rawlings sporting goods fortune, as the latest Bachelor, ABC offers a new twist on an old favorite: this time, all sixteen women vying for his heart are big ol' bull dykes! That's right, not a single "breeder" in the bunch. And the best part of it all—Eric doesn't have a clue! Watch the flannel shirts fly as the ladies fight for "their" man, because the winner not only brings home a million bucks, she also wins two round trip tickets to Massachusetts for herself and her life partner. But wait!!! There's an even bigger twist just around the corner, as Eric is actually Erica, a pre-operative female-to-male transsexual! Who will the winning lesbian choose: Eric/a or her true lady love? You'll only find out by tuning in Wednesdays at 8/7 central.

Survivor: North Korea
CBS 3 **CC TVM**

Th 5:00-5:30 PM

With the permission of President Kim Jong Il and the assistance of the People's Revolutionary Communist Party, CBS has ended decades of economic and political isolation for the wildest Survivor yet! Contestants—or, as they will be referred to this season, "Enemies of the Revolution"—will have to outwit, outplay and out-not-die-of-starvation when they're placed in an actual prison camp and pitted against a battalion of Pyongyang's most brutal guards—all of whom are equipped with live armaments! In a surprise twist, the contestant voted off each week will be sent to a special "interrogation room" to receive his "consolation prize." With one million North Korean *chon* on the line (approximate current value: \$78.14), Survivor: North Korea is going to be hotter than a cylinder of illegally reconstituted weapons-grade uranium!



The Amazing Race to the Lowest Possible Denominator
ABC 2 **CC TVMA**

F 7:00-7:30 PM

In this new "meta-reality show," viewers get an inside peek at how their favorite reality programming is created. In each episode, creative teams from the four major networks compete to assemble a new reality show in under twenty-two minutes. The winning pitch will best combine ideas stolen from last season's successful shows with an extra dose of tastelessness. The program will stay on the air until the public's appetite for televised freak shows finally dries up—in other words, indefinitely.