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2005 Emmy Winners

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The 57th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards have now come and gone. What did you think of the outcome? What were your favorite moments? Let us know!

Missed the Emmys last night or just want to relive them? Click on a tab for some quick highlights or read below for a no-frills play-by-play:

For the show opener, Black Eyed Peas joined Earth, Wind & Fire for a version of the track "September" that touched on some of the many topics within the entertainment industry, including the long-running Michael Jackson trial where he was found not guilty, as well as the Martha Stewart trial where she was found guilty but then came back with two shows. The evening's host, Ellen DeGeneres, gave a backward pep talk to those who might not win, pointing out, "Hey let's be realistic, most of you will not win tonight," and claimed that didn't mean they weren't good people; they were just bad actors. DeGeneres also paid tribute to the victims of Hurricane Katrina and her hometown of New Orleans and family in Mississippi by wearing a magnolia for the victims.

First up, the ladies of *Desperate Housewives* presented the first award of Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Comedy. Winner Brad Garrett dedicated his award to Britney and her baby.

Kyra Sedgwick of *The Closer* and Kiefer Sutherland of *24* awarded the Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Drama Series to William Shatner for his character of Denny Crane in *Boston Legal*.

Next up, DeGeneres introduced a new addition to the Emmys: Emmy Idol. This included performances of four popular television theme songs, which fans at home got to vote for online. Donald Trump and Megan Mullally, who was in character as Karen Walker from *Will & Grace*, gave a hilarious performance to the tune for *Green Acres*.

From *Two and a Half Men*, Jon Cryer and Charlie Sheen (trying to look gracious instead of angry, crestfallen, and embittered for not being nominated) presented the award for Outstanding Individual Performance in a Variety Or Music Program to Hugh Jackman as host for the *58th Annual Tony Awards*.

Then came a quick clip of the ever-talented Michael J. Fox, with shots of his past career moves and Emmy wins.

Blue Man Group then put on an interesting performance to present the award for Reality-Competition Program to winner *The Amazing Race*.

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Felicity Huffman

Felicity Huffman is the youngest of eight children. She graduated high school from the prestigious Interlochen Arts Academy in Interlochen, Michigan. She majored in theater. She studied drama at...



Ellen DeGeneres

Voted Funniest Person In America, in 1982. "Best Female Club Standup:" Comedy Awards 1991 Came out in her show "Ellen" (1994). [April 1997] Sister of Vance DeGeneres (guest... Zach Braff of *Scrubs* and Hugh Laurie of *House* presented the award for Supporting Actress in a Drama Series to Blythe Danner for her role of Isabelle "Izzy" Huffstodt on the Showtime original series *Huff*, making it her first Emmy win.

Jason Lee of the upcoming comedy *My Name is Earl* and Debra Messing of *Will* & *Grace* joined together to present the award for Outstanding Supporting Actor in a Miniseries or Movie to Paul Newman for *Empire Falls*.

Lauren Graham from *Gilmore Girls* and Jennifer Love Hewitt from the upcoming drama *Ghost Whisperer*, presented the award for Supporting Actress in a Miniseries or Movie to Jane Alexander in *Warm Springs*.

Alyson Hannigan and Neil Patrick Harris from *How I Met Your Mother* introduced the second Emmy Idol performance, the theme song for *Fame* performed by Kristen Bell of *Veronica Mars*, complete with leg warmers and backup dancers.

Rachel Bilson of *The O.C.* and Chris O'Donnell of *Head Cases* presented the award for Guest Actor and Guest Actress in a Comedy Series. Bobby Cannavale took home the award for Guest Actor and Kathryn Joosten for Guest Actress. They then presented the award for Outstanding Directing for Variety, Music, or Comedy Program to Bucky Gunts for *The Games of the XXVIII Olympiad*. Last, but not least, the award for Writing for Variety, Music or Comedy Program went to the team from *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart*.

Adrian Grenier from *Entourage* and Mischa Barton from *The O.C.* presented the award for Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Comedy Series to Doris Roberts for *Everybody Loves Raymond*.

David Letterman then appeared to pay tribute to the great Johnny Carson. Letterman remembered that when Carson was asked, "What made you a star?" Carson replied, "I started out in a gaseous state and then I cooled." Letterman then declared that Johnny Carson's star never cooled. This introduction was then followed by clips of the Johnny Carson show through the years, including the ever-touching duet with Bette Midler.

The cast of *Everybody Loves Raymond* then gathered onstage, thankful that they didn't have the pressure to be funny up there due to their show being over. Brad Garrett then held up his just-won Emmy and stated that they should be kind of funny because there might be a spin-off series, in which the star of *Raymond* would be recast, much to Raymond's chagrin. Among other jokes, Doris Roberts laughed giddily and confessed that she's been drunk since the wrap party. They then presented the award for Outstanding Variety, Music or Comedy Series to *The Daily Show with Jon Stewart*. Within his thank-you speech, Stewart made a heartfelt statement about David Letterman, stating that the way David Letterman feels about Johnny Carson is the way that he and most other comedians feel about him (Letterman).

Portia de Rossi of *Arrested Development* introduced the third Emmy Idol performance. The theme song of *The Jeffersons* (which premiered 30 years ago), "Movin' on Up," was performed by *CSI*'s Gary Dourdan and songstress Macy Gray.

DeGeneres then appeared with a giant sparkler and a unicycle to introduce the star of *Medium*, Patricia Arquette. Arquette announced the winners of the award for Outstanding Guest Actor and Actress in a Drama Series (given in the Creative Arts Ceremony last week), Ray Liotta and Amanda Plummer.

Ray Liotta stuck around to present the award for Outstanding Directing in a Drama Series to J.J. Abrams for *Lost*.

Liotta then presented the award for Outstanding Writing in a Drama Series to David Shore for *House*. He thanked those who have made him angry and bitter in life, "because the character of *House* would not be the same without them, and they know who they are."

Halle Berry presented the award for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Miniseries or Movie to Geoffrey Rush for *The Life and Death of Peter Sellers*.

DeGeneres then turned up again and went into the ladies bathroom with a monitor to let those in the bathroom know what they were missing (which turned out to just be DeGeneres in the bathroom with the monitor).

Grey's Anatomy Ellen Pompeo and Patrick Dempsey then presented the award for Outstanding Directing for Miniseries, Movie or Dramatic Special to Stephen Hopkins for *The Life and Death of Peter Sellers*. They then presented the award for Outstanding Writing for a Miniseries, Movie or Dramatic Special to



Kiefer Sutherland

Kiefer, along with his twin sister Rachel, was born on December 21, 1966 in the UK. He is the son of famed character actor Donald Sutherland and esteemed stage actress Shirley Douglas, both...

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Christopher Markus and Stephen McFeely for The Life and Death of Peter Sellers

Geena Davis from the upcoming *Commander-In-Chief* and Matthew Fox from *Lost* then presented the award for Lead Actress in Miniseries or Movie to S. Epatha Merkerson, her first nomination and win. She laughingly stated that she had stuck her thank-you notes in her dress earlier and it had since fallen deeper into her dress and out of reach.

Jon Stewart came out afterward and joked that he too had written something down and then motioned to reach into his pants. Stewart was then hilariously edited while he went on a tirade about how the government handled the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. He then presented the Award for Outstanding Directing for a Comedy Series to Charles McDougall for *Desperate Housewives*. Stewart then presented the award for Outstanding Writing for a Comedy Series to Mitchell Hurwitz and Jim Vallely for *Arrested Development*. They stated that they have now been twice awarded for something "you people won't watch." So tune in Monday.

Quentin Tarantino and Marg Helgenberger from *CSI* then presented the award for Outstanding Made for Television Movie to *Warm Springs*.

The host of *Survivor*, Jeff Probst, and the host of *The Amazing Race*, Phil Keoghan, came up to present the next Emmy Idol performance. William Shatner performed the *Star Trek* theme, but thankfully spared us the singing of the various notes—a professional mezzo-soprano was brought in for that.

Mariska Hargitay from *Law & Order: Special Victims Unit* and Jimmy Smits from *The West Wing* then presented the award for Outstanding Miniseries to *The Lost Prince, Masterpiece Theatre*.

Chairman and CEO of the Television Academy, Dick Astin, and Alan Alda then presented a tribute to Tom Brokaw, Dan Rather, and the late Peter Jennings, declaring they were anchors for our country in more ways than one. Tom Brokaw and Dan Rather came out to a more than well-deserved extended standing ovation. They spoke about their personal relationship with Jennings and that he had said, "Yes, we are friends," and then he had laughed, adding, "because we didn't see each other very much."

Not to be outdone by previous Emmy Idol performances, Conan O'Brien came out and began to sing the theme for *Charles in Charge*. Thankfully cutting that short, he then presented the award for Outstanding Lead Actress for a Comedy Series to Felicity Huffman for *Desperate Housewives*.

James Spader then presented the award for Outstanding Lead Actress in a Drama Series to Patricia Arquette for *Medium*, making this her first nomination and win.

The In Memoriam reel was displayed next, and it paid tribute to those in the entertainment industry who had passed away earlier this year.

Sela Ward from *House* and Craig Ferguson from *The Late Late Show* presented the award for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Comedy Series to Tony Shaloub for *Monk*.

Charles S. Dutton of *Threshold* then presented the award for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama Series to James Spader for *Boston Legal*.

Tyler James Williams from the upcoming *Everybody Hates Chris* joined his young friend Charles Evers onstage. Evers was a resident of New Orleans when Hurricane Katrina struck. Evers stated that *Sister, Sister* and *SpongeBob SquarePants* were his favorite television shows. He and Williams called upon America to contact Habitat for Humanity to help those victims in need.

DeGeneres then announced the winner of Emmy Idol: Donald Trump and Megan Mullally. The camera flashed to a shot of William Shatner, pretending to be shocked and disappointed at his loss.

Hugh Jackman and Whoopi Goldberg then presented the award for Outstanding Drama Series to *Lost*, followed by the award for Outstanding Comedy Series to *Everybody Loves Raymond*.

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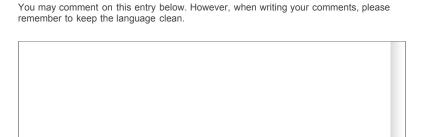
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Giving an Emmy to Everybody Loves Raymond over Arrested Development exposes the sham that this award is.

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I'm so stoked that the Amazing Race won! I have a good friend in LA who worked on this show, and to beat out American Idol, well done!

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Personnaly I wouldn't have given Everybody Loves Raymond an Emmy for anything - especially over the actors from Lost or over Desperate Housewives. And I would've nominated some of the cast of Battlestar Galactica (they better get their due next year!) as well as the writers of South Park.

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Was pleasantly surprised when Felicity Huffman won...then was disappointed when Everybody Loves Raymond won



for Outstanding Comedy. Donald Trump and Megan Mullally were hilarious during their performance of Green Acres. Kristen Bell's performance of Fame was impressive.

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James Spader over Ian McShane? WTF!!!

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