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## Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by madrye3 - 2006/04/18 17:57

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I posted this under general information as well. I wrote into Realityblurred.com and asked how the girls paid their bills back at home being gone so long, if they got paid anything to do the show and if there would be another season. Imagine my surprise when they actually emailed me back. Here's their answer.

"Their time spent there seems to vary. No one will confirm anything, but we hear this is the last season, that the show is too costly. And they seem to have canceled the only "casting call" on their site, so hmmm...

It's possible they get a small stipend, but I suspect the women just have to somehow make sure someone can pay their rent/mortgage/bills while they're gone. They either have to use savings or something. Of course, many of them hope to cash in on what little fame they can get from the show, so they figure it will even out.

I'm addicted too, I wish they'd do another season."

I've seen many shows go off the air but never have I thought about trying to do something to stop it from happening.

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by honeyspur - 2006/04/18 18:03

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Well thanks hon-we are all hoping we'll hear better news, but it keeps sounding the same. We can all just continue to write, call and keep the word out.

Also, keeping up the noise even after it has been cancelled is a good idea because sometimes there is only a season break from a show to test the "wanting" waters of an audience.

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by patacake - 2006/04/18 18:24

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You know, honey, you're right. Dr. Laura did it. O'reilly did it. Everybody does it...Where's the SO junk? We need a Save SO t-shirt, etc.B)

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by Tara - 2006/04/18 18:47

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Relatively speaking Starting Over doesn't cost very much to produce. Compared to talks show with Big names is doesn't cost very much. They also get quite a few sponsors and it doesn't cost very much for local stations to pick the show up. If it's canceled it probably doesn't have very much to do with not being able to afford to produce the show.

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by Mystique - 2006/04/18 19:48

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I answered this on your other post .. but you do realize the women get (can't remember which) \$500 or \$600 a week during their stay there. So they DO get paid well and although they use that to buy their own groceries and clothing etc while there, unless given extra \$\$ for an exercise where they spend SO's cash for the exercise.. they can send home some money.. Christina even talked about it with her mom because she wasn't getting it in the bank in time for bills her mom was paying etc. and she told her mom she'd deal with it lol

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by candst - 2006/04/20 18:00

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If I remember correctly, when Josie was there, she was sending her SO money to her boyfriend to pay her car insurance (which he didn't)

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by OhPulease - 2006/04/21 22:33

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I am new to this site, but have been watching and participating in message boards since the first season... That said,lol, I just had one comment..... Every year there is a rumor that SO will not be back on..... I just wish if lyanla does not return they ask Rana.... I love Rana..lol Anyways, don't stress about it..... SO lives on...

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by valtina - 2006/04/21 22:49

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I loved Rana too although I have seen posts that were not so complimentary about her. I never did know why she left although I saw somewhere that it allegedly had to do with her following Josie back home after Josie decided to leave, and persuading her to go back to the Starting Over House which apparently some thought overstepped her bounds as a Life Coach. Anyway I would love to see Rana back too, although I would not want to see Rhonda or lyanla go either.

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Posted by valtina - 2006/04/24 11:56

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Posted by Lil Lisa - 2006/04/26 18:33

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Posted by patacake - 2006/04/26 19:26

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Posted by valtina - 2006/04/26 22:43

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Well Lil Lisa that was probably a good observation, judging at least from the rumors about why Rana left. I didn't notice it mayself - the possibility that she was too close - but maybe she was. I thought she was very caring and smart and seemed closer to the ages of the younger people in the House. Of course, they got a whole lot of oomph in Iyanla, whom many of us knew as Oprah's once-protege, so maybe they thought Iyanla would bring more interest and attention to the show. And at least for awhile, they may have been right!

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I saw that ad too and thought the same thing, that it looked a lot like Rana.... I think it's a cereal bar ad or something....

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by skorped - 2006/04/27 01:38

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I had a response from my local station that carries 'Starting Over' today. They said that they had NOT

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by skorped - 2006/04/27 01:41

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I did not get to finish my statement. MY local station has not heard anything about the show being cancelled. They said to write again in 2 weeks. Why has one station said that it has been cancelled and another station says that they have not heard anything. What is the problem? Thanks.

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by turtle - 2006/04/28 15:13

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Maybe some, but not all, stations have removed SO from their fall schedule. Doesn't necessarily mean there won't be a fourth season. This season, SO wasn't shown anywhere in South Florida. Where Lisa I lives.

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Posted by turtle - 2006/04/28 15:19

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Posted by sullie103 - 2006/04/29 10:17

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Rana was Josie's coach, and it was definitely Rana who said its a girl. Rana has a very distinct voice.

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Posted by kwall - 2006/05/09 13:07

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Isn't that a Saturday? Oh, well. Thanks for the news!

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by KPW1956 - 2006/05/09 19:30

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I think that date may just coincide with when the new fall season kicks in.

Summertime has typically entailed reruns for the show... and even then, that it is at each stations discretion. If they think they can compete for part of the market share by airing something else, they will. At least that is how our local station operates. Especially in that it won't be anything but a gap filler for something else that replaces it in the fall.

The 10th of Sept. is actually a Sunday and the fall season debuts usually kicks in around mid September on a Sunday or Monday. Heck, we'll be starting to see promotions for the new shows in June most likely to start building an interest in new programming.

I wonder if those cable channels that already bought SO1 and SO2 (TV1) will also air SO3? Unfortunately we don't get tvone. Is that the only other cable network airing the older SO series?

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by nycitygal - 2006/05/27 02:50

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Was that the finale? Niambi just goes off not to return to a new house of women? I hope not! I really enjoy this show and I pray it will stay on. Does anyone know for sure if it is going off the air? Please let me know.

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## Re:Last show

Posted by sunngreen - 2006/05/28 11:26

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My vcr failed on the last show. Could someone please tell me what happened? I am very upset that it sounds like SO is over. How would we go about contactin Oxygen or WE or some other cable about carrying it? They are all about women and this show has taught me a lot about myself! Thanks, Margaret

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by tayken - 2006/06/04 02:55

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I cant belive it's gunna end!! I joined this site when I thought something might be going bad after i watched the last episode on 5/24 and it wasnt like "farewell c u next season!!" it was like "ok..it's been great..good bye..FOREVER!!" I mean the only one who has been there through it all is Rhonda..she switched partners before and although i LOVE lyala..she can find some one to replace her..not fill her shoes maybe but..a replacement should be found if thats the issue..this show is soooo real & meaningful..I know for me & sooo many other women Starting Over has changed our lifes without even being @ the house...I wish there was something I could do as well:dry:

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by allie.2001 - 2006/06/19 23:52

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About rana....how many of you are really dedicated SO fans???

Rana had been asked to step in bc lylana's daughter had died of cancer that year, and she was not in the place to start with the show. So Rana just did the first season. She knew it would be one season only from the beginning.

I think it is dirty to say there was maybe something there between Rana and Josie. Josie needed so much love and so much guidance that Rana threw herself in head first to save Josie and ultimately her child from the bad road they were headed down. I think she (Rana) was great was upset to see her leave, tho I eventually grew to love lyanla. If lyanla doesnt want to return, I hope that SO continues anyways and asks Rana back, or goes just Rhonda and Dr. Stan or something!!

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Posted by sonshine - 2006/06/20 13:16

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Hi sonshine, I was really happy to read your message about contacting Oprah!:) I don't know if you read my message from yesterday (6/19) regarding emailing Oprah, but if not, it can be found under the "General Show Talk" category ("Re: I emailed Oprah!"). I'm grateful that someone else also sees the potential of having as many people as possible email Oprah! Maybe now that it's not just me, more members will consider emailing her as well!? I can only hope... Heather

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Posted by heatherw - 2006/06/20 17:57

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Posted by stagedtosell - 2006/06/29 01:46

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THIS IS GREAT!! I just read your message about writing Oprah too!

I've been saying the same thing - if we all write her and flood her email box, I'm sure we will get her attention! I'm so glad to see more people supporting the idea! I truly believe it's worth a shot - especially since it would only take a few minutes to send Oprah an email! (A small price to pay, I think, if it works and keeps our show on the air!) THANK YOU for your message! :) Heather

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Posted by piper - 2006/06/30 08:15

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Posted by Debby - 2006/06/30 12:28

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I think that the casting call she was referring to was some time ago. If it is a recent one, I would love to hear about it. That would be news!

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by startovernut - 2006/07/10 05:53

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there is a site that tells about the coaches and Dr Stan. I went to the one about Rana, she will not come back...some kind of difference of opinion somewhere up the chain of command. Anyway she has her own thing she is working on to "better people"....sorry if this post makes no sense. It is only 5 AM...\*yawn\*:dry:

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## Re:Answers to upcoming season.

Posted by loo - 2007/05/17 15:15

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I also like Rana infact because I am having sleeping issues & I E-mailed Rana on thisand her assignment was to write in my journal at bedtime but the bad thing about doing it at bed time is because I am a light sleeper by nature I have to have a morning nap to pull myself together & I usually don't get up until anywhere between 11:00 A.M..to1:00 P.M. This is after I take let my dog out to take care of business & bring her bsck in due to the heat wave.

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