
End of Passions

Posted by momof2gg24 - 2007/01/21 02:44

I was sad to find out this week that Passions is ending to add another hour on to the TODAY show... How sad is that? I love Passions and have been watching it since it first started in 1999 they have decided to let it run through until August... I also found out that they will probably not continue Days of our Lives after 2009... What has happened to NBC? Why don't they value the people who watch their soaps? Guess I will just have to find another one to watch next fall...

Heather

Re:End of Passions

Posted by Nadia - 2007/01/21 06:32

Hi Heather,

This is not good news at all. Where did you hear about this? I haven't heard anything about passions ending. I love passions myself I hope this isn't true cause I would be very disappointed if that's what's going to happen.

Re:End of Passions

Posted by Nadia - 2007/01/21 06:49

BAD NEWS for Passion fans!

I just went and searched the web to get more info and your right Heather the final airdate is sometime in August of this year! I can't believe it. This is my favorite soap!

According to Variety, it is believed that NBC will seek "a way to keep the show alive somewhere other than the network," such as a cable channel or an internet platform

So what does this mean? I'm not understanding... if someone could explain this to me cause the show isn't being renewed for another season...

You can read the story @

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Passions>

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Post edited by: Nadia, at: 2007/01/21 07:02

Re:End of Passions

Posted by momof2gg24 - 2007/01/22 00:01

It means that it will either go to a station like USA or something like that and if that doesn't work then they would put it up on the internet and I am not sure how that platform works either you pay to watch or what have you.

Heather

Re:End of Passions

Posted by Nadia - 2007/01/23 06:11

I guess will have to wait and see what happens. Thanks Heather

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Re:End of Passions

Posted by tudin_girl - 2007/01/23 23:34

I wonder if Sci-Fi would pick it back up? I know last year they had started running it, from the beginning and then for some reason took it back off. But it figures I start watching again and they'll pull it...lol. I heard rumors that SoapNet might pick it up...that'd be nice..especially if they could show episodes from the beginning too. I watched it for a couple of years and then quit...so I missed some.

I had heard that about Days after 2009, but I am hoping with this new head writer it's going to boost the ratings back up. So far I am loving him!!

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Re:End of Passions

Posted by momof2gg24 - 2007/01/26 02:19

I found the article I had read about passions and days of our lives... Here it is....
From TvGuide.com

<http://community.tvguide.com/thread.jspa?threadID=700016983&rssDate=12345678>

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It's Official: NBC Cancels Passions

Cancellation rumors have loomed over NBC's Passions for the past few years, but this time it's for real, suds fans.

The sad news was privately broken to the supernatural soap's cast and crew in L.A. yesterday. Reporters got official confirmation from NBC Entertainment president Kevin Reilly today at the Television Critics Association press tour in Pasadena, Calif.

"Passions will go," Reilly said. "Right now, we contractually have the show through June. We are talking to the producers and the cast about extending it for a couple more months to close the gap through August."

Come fall, Passions will go off NBC's airwaves to make room for a fourth hour of Today. Yeah, you read that right — a fourth hour. Why don't they just call the damn show All Day?! Sorry, I digress....

Reilly chalked up NBC's decision to the fact that daytime soap operas simply aren't as profitable as they once were. "The daypart has just gotten extremely tough financially," he said. "You know, it was a moneymaker for us for so long, and now the margins are just brutal and that's all the way around. That's not unique to NBC. And unfortunately, we do need to make money on these, and we certainly can't lose money.... The economics just mandate that we do this."

Reilly acknowledged that "Days of our Lives will be here until '09," per the Peacock network's deal with the show. His use of until made it quite clear that Days is unlikely to continue on NBC after 2009.

But let's not worry about Days just yet! The silver lining here is that Passions may not be completely doomed. Industry gossip has indicated that Passions could possibly end up on a cabler like SOAPnet or even become an Internet-only sudser. Reilly's comments offered us real hope that this is more than just wishful thinking.

"We are going to be looking very, very seriously at keeping alive," the exec insisted. "The fact is, there are loyal viewers of this show who love it and show up every day. And in a perfect world, we'd like to keep the brand alive. There may be another network. You know, I don't think it's a broadcast network, but there may be another cable network that wants to get in business with us and have some sort of on-air presence for the show. We're certainly looking at online options. That audience is very, very faithful in the online world, and it's not inconceivable that we could see a daily episode of Passions online. And I think it would really succeed and draw advertisers."

Veteran soap scribe James E. Reilly introduced his wacky, tacky, hilariously un-PC Passions on July 5, 1999. Say what you will about this show's mad menagerie of witches, talking dolls and half-naked hotties, but these past eight years have been a helluva ride.

FYI, there's still lots more freaky fun happening in Harmony in the coming months, and TVGuide.com's resident suds

addict will be there to cover it all, rest assured!

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