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The Producers Of 'Heated Rivalry' Launch Foundation To Promote Arts And Sports

The Irina Foundation takes its name from the books that inspired the hit TV series.

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Jacob Tierney and Brendan Brady attend the premiere of "Heated Rivalry" at TIFF Lightbox on November 24, 2025 in Toronto, Ontario. **/Harold Feng**

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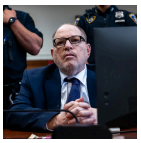
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Jacob Tierney and Brendan Brady, the executive producers behind hit hockey romance series *Heated Rivalry*, have launched the Irina Foundation through their production company, Accent Aigu Entertainment. The private fund will support organizations creating opportunities for LGBTQIA2S+ and underserved communities to participate in sports and the arts, with an emphasis on connection, belonging and mental well-being.

The name comes directly from Rachel Reid's *Game Changers* novels, the books that inspired *Heated Rivalry*. In the series, Shane Hollander and Ilya Rozanov establish their own Irina Foundation, named after Ilya's late mother. The fictional organization supports inclusion and mental health initiatives, including a youth hockey camp.

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The real-life foundation will provide support to existing organizations whose sports and arts programs align with its mission. Kate Spade New York is the foundation’s inaugural donor, while men’s grooming company Harry’s is among its early supporters.

“For many of us, some of life’s most meaningful moments happen on a team, in a studio or on a stage,” Tierney and Brady said in a statement. “The Foundation is our way of giving back.”

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The launch follows a significant fundraising effort surrounding *Heated Rivalry*. According to Accent Aigu, the company, its partners and fans have raised more than $1.5 million USD in recent months for organizations including You Can Play, the New York LGBTQ Center and Rainbow Railroad. The new foundation is intended to continue that philanthropic work.

Accent Aigu president Jayme Alter Wilson said the foundation's name reflects what Irina represents within Reid's story: the idea that people facing difficult circumstances deserve support and connection.

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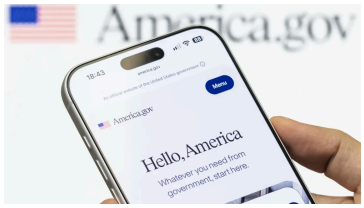
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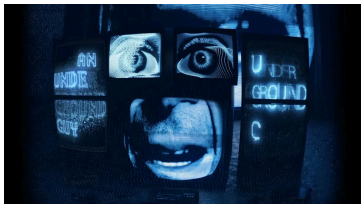
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Michael Bublé and Drew Scott are teaming up for a new documentary series celebrating youth hockey. The pair are at the centre of *Hometown Giants*, a new six-part docuseries following their Western Hockey League team, the Vancouver Giants, through its 2025-26 season. Prime Video unveiled the first look this week, with all six episodes set to premiere October 16.

Bublé has been a minority owner of the Vancouver Giants since 2008, while Scott joined the ownership group in 2023. Now, cameras follow the longtime friends as they navigate the realities of running a major junior hockey franchise, from front-office decisions and roster moves to the much more personal stakes facing the teenage pl

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Matthew Perry's Family Open Up About His $7 Million Addiction Battle in New Doc Trailer

BY JON BLISTEIN Sep 29, 2026

Matthew Perry's family and friends remember the late actor's incredible talent, generosity, and long battle with addiction in the poignant new trailer for the upcoming documentary, *The One About Matthew Perry*.

The clip opens with a montage of archival footage and interviews with Perry discussing his desire to make people laugh and become famous, as well as the phone call that changed his life when he was offered the role of Chandler Bing on *Friends*. "I was extremely happy when I got famous," Perry says in one interview. "Then I was like, 'Uh-oh, this didn't fix what's inside me. This didn't do what I thought it

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Dennis Haskins, Principal Belding on 'Saved by the Bell,' Dead at 75

BY EMILY ZEMLER Sep 29, 2026

Dennis Haskins, the American actor and musician best known for playing the beloved Principal Belding on *Saved by the Bell*, died at 75. His agent, Jay Schachter, confirmed his death, although details were not given.

"It's a tragic loss," Schachter said in a statement to *Rolling Stone*. "Everyone loved Mr. Belding, and those of us who got to know Dennis loved him even more. He was a great person, and he loved, I mean absolutely LOVED his fans. He always had time for them, no matter what. He was my client and dear friend for over 20 years, and I will m

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Armed Intruders Break Into Québec Dating Show's Villa in Panama

BY BILLY EFF Sep 28, 2026

Producers of Québec's most popular dating reality show, *Occupation Double,* have confirmed that masked intruders made their way into on the show's villas this weekend. According to a statement, no one was hurt and the suspects were arrested, but the team is staying tight-lipped about more details.

Streaming nationwide on Crave, the dating show is currently filming its 20th season in the southv

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Ryan Murphy Says 'Glee' Cast is 'Very Enthusiastic' About Planned Reboot

BY EMILY ZEMLER **Sep 24, 2026**

Ryan Murphy has officially completed the script for a potential reboot of *Glee*. Speaking at the premiere of the new season of *American Horror Story*, Murphy told *Entertainment Tonight* that the cast is "very enthusiastic" about a potential reunion for the Fox musical comedy series, which ran for six seasons from 2009 to 2015.

"Well, funny you ask, because I just finished the script an hour ago," Murphy said. "So, we have a script. Brad [Falchuk], Ian [Brennan] and I, who wrote all the first two seasons, have written something. I've been in touch with around 10 of the original cast members. It's very sweet, and they all had a lot of questions, but they all were very enthusiastic

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