

JOHN C. REILLY STUNS DRIVER AND CLOSE FRIEND WITH A VINTAGE-INSPIRED LOG CABIN RENOVATION IN HGTV'S 'CELEBRITY IOU'

New York [May 17, 2022] As a surprise for his driver and close friend of 20 years, **John C. Reilly** will infuse a century-old, dilapidated log cabin with quirky, vintage style in HGTV's <u>Celebrity IOU</u> on Monday, May 23, at 9 p.m. ET/PT. The episode, available to stream the same day on <u>discovery+</u>, spotlights Johnny, who is well-known in his community as the owner of a popular junkyard. To breathe new life and funky flair into the rundown property that sits on the junkyard lot, John—the actor, comedian, screenwriter, musician and producer—will work with real estate and renovation experts <u>Drew</u> and <u>Jonathan Scott</u> to create a bright, modernized space where Johnny can relax and entertain.

"Johnny has a very big heart and is a guy who walks the walk in life," said John. "He does so much for other people all the time. So when this project came up, I thought this is the perfect person to do this for. I can't wait to see how he reacts."

With Drew and Jonathan's help, John's goal is to preserve the cabin's rustic vibe but also update the structure with a contemporary design. John, who says he is no stranger to carpentry work, will tear out walls, saw through concrete floors, and hang exterior log veneer boards during the project. The final reveal will be the perfect mix of old and new that incorporates unique items from Johnny's junkyard into the kitchenette, bathroom and living area.

"Johnny lives in a place of gratitude and he's always optimistic," added John. "That's a real blessing to have somebody like that in your life. He's given me a lot and it's hard to quantify. What keeps me excited about wanting to do this project is that I'm giving it to a friend. That is a gift."

Celebrity IOU spotlights Hollywood A-listers who wield sledgehammers and pick up power tools to help an extraordinary person in their lives get the renovation they need. The series features Drew and Jonathan and their celebrity friends as they inspire, entertain and bring fans to happy tears with deeply personal stories of gratitude. Working together with the Brothers, the celebs get their hands dirty to surprise their deserving friends and mentors with the stunning home overhauls. Celebrity IOU is produced by Scott Brothers Entertainment, with Drew and Jonathan as executive producers.

Fans are invited to visit HGTV's digital platforms for additional fresh content from the new season of *Celebrity IOU*. Fans can connect with the series at <u>HGTV.com/Celebrity-IOU</u> and by following @HGTV and <u>#CelebIOU</u> on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>TikTok</u> and <u>Instagram</u> for extra show content and updates. Drew and Jonathan also will share more from the new episodes on their

social channels at @mrdrewscott (<u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u>) and @jonathanscott (<u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u>). In addition, viewers can watch the episodes on HGTV GO the same day and time as the TV premieres—Mondays at 9 p.m.

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