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## **BREAKING AMISH HEADS WEST IN SECOND SEASON**

### **All-new cast leave their communities to explore life in Los Angeles in BREAKING AMISH: LA**

TLC's #1 hit series is back with an all-new season, featuring a brand new cast setting out to explore a life beyond their Amish and Mennonite homes. Trading in the vast fields and strict rules of their rural communities for the endless beaches and blistering sunshine of Los Angeles, these young men and women come together to determine if they're really ready to embark on a new life among the "English," or if they should return to the faiths and families they've left behind.

The 10-part series **BREAKING AMISH: LA premieres Sunday, July 21 at 10/9c.**

"BREAKING AMISH is about the challenges and opportunities anyone faces when at a crossroads in life – deciding which path to take and finding your road to happiness. With an all-new cast and a different, vibrant city, BREAKING AMISH: LA opens the door to these fascinating lives and the journeys they all embark on, as they explore this new world in search of who they want to be – at the risk of everything they've ever had," said Amy Winter, General Manager, TLC.

This season features brighter skies – and darker secrets – as the cast leave their homes and venture west to live together under one roof, experiencing a lot of 'firsts' along the way. Though they share similar backgrounds, they find their lives to be very different, and must not only work to adjust to a new city, but to each other as well. Their entire lives are at stake, as their family, faith, and community may reject them completely based on the decision to venture west.

Some of the Amish and Mennonite men and women in the cast include:

**Betsy:** Amish, 21 years old, from Ohio. Adopted as a baby into an Amish household, she has tried living outside of the faith, but recently married an Amish man. Despite this, Betsy continues to struggle with being a member of the community, and hopes to come to peace with a decision.

**Devon:** Amish, 21, from Indiana. Living at home with his Amish parents, Devon remains conflicted about the Amish lifestyle. He remains unsure of his future and is interested in experiencing life with the English before making a final decision.

**Iva:** Amish, 19 years old, from Pennsylvania. Iva's parents divorced when she was young, and her father left the community, though her mother remained. Iva explored life among the "English" but hasn't been able to make it work and remains unsure of where she belongs.

**Lizzie:** Amish, 21 years old, from Pennsylvania. From a large Amish family, she tried to forge a life outside of the community, much to the disappointment of her parents. Lizzie's harboring a secret that makes her want to set on a new life journey and hopes that this is her opportunity.

**Matt:** Mennonite, 24 years old, from Pennsylvania. Matt's family joined the Mennonite faith when he was 7, changing his life forever. One of his siblings has already left the community, and he wonders if exploring his interest in fashion design will set him on the same path.

BREAKING AMISH: LA is produced by Hot Snakes Media for TLC.

### **About TLC**

TLC is a global brand that celebrates extraordinary people and relatable life moments through innovative nonfiction programming. A top 10 cable network in key female demos, TLC has built successful consumer brands around series including Cake Boss, and has transformed Fridays into "BrideDay" with a lineup of wedding-themed programming anchored by the Say Yes To The Dress franchise. In 2012, TLC had 28 series averaging 1 million P2+ viewers or more, including four series that averaged 2 million P2+ viewers or more: Here Comes Honey Boo Boo, Breaking Amish, Long Island Medium, and Sister Wives.

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