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**FOX SAYS “I DO” TO INTERNATIONAL HIT DATING SERIES**

***FARMER WANTS A WIFE*PREMIERING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8**

**SUPERSTAR ENTERTAINER AND GRAMMY AWARD WINNER JENNIFER NETTLES TO HOST**

**AS FOUR FARMERS SEARCH FOR LOVE IN THE HEARTLAND OF AMERICA**

 **Women Leave Their “Big City” Lives**

**To Match with Four Farmers From Across the Country**

**And Experience Life on Their Farms in Hopes of Finding Their Future Spouses**

FOX is putting the heart in heartland with a fresh approach on the international hit dating series***Farmer Wants a Wife***, it was announced today by Allison Wallach, President, Unscripted Programming, FOX Entertainment. Superstar entertainer and Grammy Award winner Jennifer Nettles will host the series premiering Wednesday, March 8 (9:00-10:00 PM ET/PT) on FOX.

“Bringing the world’s most popular dating show to FOX requires a superstar host to match,” said Wallach, “and we found the perfect pairing in Jennifer, a multi-talented entertainer who’s a little country, a little big city and huge on heart and humor, making her the perfect choice for wrangling romance in the heartland.”

***Farmer Wants a Wife*** is the most successful dating show in the world. The Fremantle-owned format has aired in 32 countries and resulted in 180 marriages and 410 children. In a trend that’s been sweeping America over the last few years, there’s been a migration from city-centers to suburban and rural locales, and with that, love follows. In this upcoming series, city meets farm in the search for true romance. Four farmers from across the country embark on an adventure of a lifetime in the hopes of finding their future spouse. Women will leave behind the dating apps and pursuit of love in “the big city” in favor of classic American courtship. The farmers will take their group of daters to their farm and show them what it is really like to live as ranchers do—from tending to the homestead to feeding cattle and baling hay. For the daters, the realities of this lifestyle may beg the question: how much of your life are you willing to change for love?

***Farmer Wants a Wife*** is produced by Eureka Productions.  Paul Franklin (Holey Moley, ***Name That Tune***), Chris Culvenor (The Mole, ***The Real Dirty Dancing***, Dating Around), Eden Gaha (***MasterChef***, The Real Love Boat) and David Tibballs (The Mole, Finding Magic Mike) serve as executive producers, with David Emery as executive producer in post. Lauren Taylor Harding serves as an executive producer and the showrunner of the series.

**About Jennifer Nettles**

Jennifer Nettles is a superstar entertainer on multiple platforms who just expanded her musical versatility with her much-anticipated genre-defying new album of American Songbook classics, “Always Like New.” She most recently appeared as a judge on mega-hit competition series *Go-Big Show*. Nettles portrayed “Aimee-Leigh Gemstone” on cable hit series *The Righteous Gemstones* and delivered a powerful and provocative performance in Focus Features’ Harriet Tubman biopic. In 2019, Jennifer released an EP titled “I Can Do Hard Things.” Previously, she released two solo albums titled “Playing with Fire” and “To Celebrate Christmas,” as well as a Sugarland album, “Bigger.” Sugarland’s song “Stay” was a platinum No. 1 hit which earned two Grammy Awards for Best Country Song and Best Country Performance by a Duo or Group, and Nettles earned another Grammy for her collaboration with Bon Jovi on “Who Says You Can't Go Home.” Her other achievements in music include five ASCAP awards, three ACM Awards, a CMA Award, the Human Rights Campaign’s Ally for Equality Award and the Artist Impact Award from Lincoln Center. Nettles made her Broadway debut in 2015 as “Roxy Hart” in the Tony Award-winning, record-breaking musical “Chicago,” and starred as “Donna” in the Hollywood Bowl’s summer production of “Mamma Mia!,” as well as most recently starring as “Jenna” in the smash hit musical “Waitress.” She also is currently developing a musical about 17th Century Crusading Poisoner Giulia Tofana.

**About Eureka Productions**

Award-winning unscripted entertainment company, Eureka Productions, was founded in 2016 by Co-CEOs Chris Culvenor and Paul Franklin.  Headquartered in Los Angeles and Sydney, the company has since grown a portfolio of over 40 series for network, streaming, cable, and digital platforms in the U.S., Canada, and Australia, becoming one of the TV industry’s fastest growing international producers. Eureka’s U.S. credits include *Holey Moley* (ABC), *Full Bloom* (HBOMax), *TwentySomethings Austin* (Netflix), *Frogger* (Peacock), ***Name That Tune*** (FOX), ***The Real Dirty Dancing*** (FOX), *Finding Magic Mike* (HBO Max), *Dating Around* (Netflix) and *Crikey It’s the Irwins* (Discovery). Most recent productions include the U.S. reboot of *The Mole* for Netflix, the dating competition series *The Real Love Boat* for CBS in the U.S. and Network Ten in Australia, and an all-new U.S. version of Fremantle’s international format ***Farmer Wants a Wife***, coming soon on FOX. In Australia, Eureka’s slate also includes *Luxe Listings* for Amazon, *Byron Baes* for Netflix *Amazing Race Australia* for Network Ten, *Parental Guidance* for Nine Network, and many more. In 2022, Eureka also took on the development and production of all Fremantle’s entertainment, reality, and game show formats in Australia, including *Australia’s Got Talent*, *Australian Idol* and *Farmer Wants a Wife* for Seven Network. Eureka Productions is a Fremantle company. For more information, visit [eurekagroup.tv](http://www.eurekagroup.tv/).

**About FOX Entertainment**

With a legacy spanning more than 35 years, FOX Entertainment is one of the world’s most recognizable media brands and a prolific content producer across its iconic broadcast network and both owned and third-party streaming platforms. Known for its independent, innovative spirit and provocative, groundbreaking storytelling, the company was reinvented in 2019 with the formation of the new FOX Entertainment. While maintaining its leadership in broadcast television (***9-1-1***, ***The Simpsons***, ***The Cleaning Lady, Hell’s Kitchen, LEGO Masters***), the company is actively building a portfolio of businesses and library of owned original content. To date, FOX Entertainment’s long-term growth strategy has included the acquisitions of award-winning powerhouse animation studio Bento Box (***Bob’s Burgers, The Great North, Krapopolis, Grimsburg***), entertainment platform TMZ, and global production studio MarVista Entertainment, as well as the formation of landmark culinary and lifestyle content venture Studio Ramsay Global (***Next Level Chef***) in partnership with the legendary Gordon Ramsay. The company also established its in-house unscripted studio FOX Alternative Entertainment (***The Masked Singer, I Can See Your Voice, Name That Tune***), FOX Entertainment Studios (***Animal Control***) to develop scripted content, worldwide content sales unit FOX Entertainment Global, and Web3 media and creative technology studio Blockchain Creative Labs.

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