

Go Behind the Scenes With “Downton Abbey Revisited”

The popular PBS series “Downton Abbey” tells the story of the noble Crawley family and the staff who serve them in their sumptuous Yorkshire estate. Filled with love and intrigue, “Downton Abbey” has been embraced by viewers and critics alike, making Season 2 the most-watched “Masterpiece” drama on record. Dame Maggie Smith was recently honored with a Primetime Emmy Award for her portrayal of Violet, the Dowager Countess of Grantham. So what are millions of devoted fans supposed to do while breathlessly awaiting Season 3, which premieres on Sunday, Jan. 6, 2013, on NET1/HD?

A solution is at hand. Join Dame Maggie Smith, Elizabeth McGovern, Hugh Bonneville, Dan Stevens, Michelle Dockery, Siobhan Finneran and many more of the series’ most popular actors for “Downton Abbey Revisited,” a fond recollection of favorite moments from Seasons 1 and 2, plus interviews with the actors and creative team and rare behind-the-scenes footage. Hosted by Angela Lansbury (an unabashed “Downton Abbey” fan), “Downton Abbey Revisited” premieres Sunday, Nov. 25, at 7 p.m. CT on NET1/HD, and repeats on Sunday, Dec. 2, at 8 p.m. CT.

“Downton Abbey Revisited” also offers a tantalizing sneak peek at what’s in store for the characters as they enter the Roaring Twenties in Season 3. Will Bates be released from prison? What new mischief will Thomas, the villainous footman, and O’Brien, his scheming ally, get up to? Will wedding bells finally ring for Matthew and Lady Mary? And how will the formidable Dowager Countess (Dame Maggie Smith) handle the arrival of Lady Grantham’s American mother (Shirley MacLaine)?

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