

'Cosby' and 'The Cosby Show' Reruns Yanked From Networks

In the wake of the latest news regarding comedian Bill Cosby's rape allegations, African-American-skewing network Bounce TV has announced that it will immediately cease airing reruns of television series *Cosby*, while the BET-owned Centric Network has pulled *The Cosby Show*.

Cosby came under more scrutiny yesterday after news broke that he admitted to drugging women for sex. Since last year, he has been openly battling multiple allegations of rape. A competitor of BET, Bounce TV is an African-American focused, advertiser-supported digital multicast channel carried by broadcast TV stations around the country. It was co-founded by Martin Luther King III and Georgia politician Andrew Young.

Cosby was a CBS sitcom that aired from 1996 to 2000. It starred Bill Cosby and his *Cosby Show* co-star Phylicia Rashad, as well as Madeline Kahn, Jurnee Smollett and others. Meanwhile, Centric TV, which is geared toward African-American women, is pulling all episodes of *The Cosby Show* indefinitely, beginning Wednesday. *The Cosby Show* aired from 1984 to 1992.