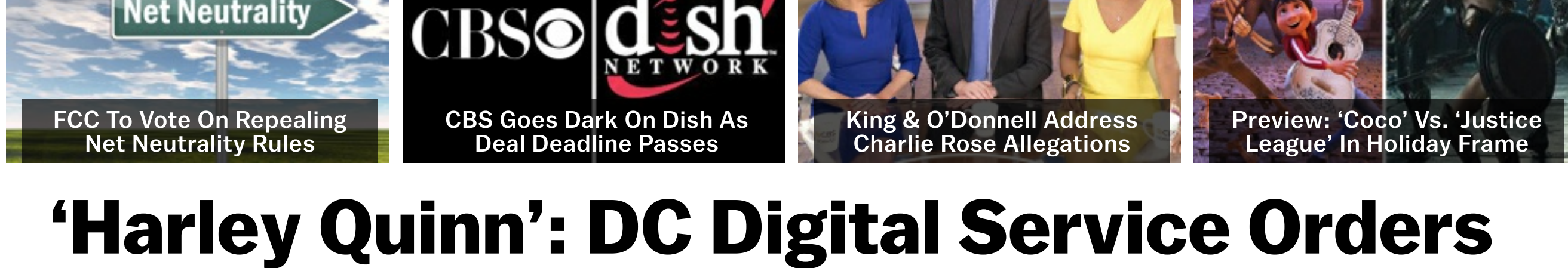


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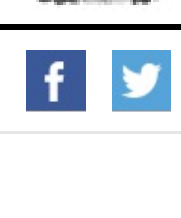


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EXCLUSIVE: [Harley Quinn](#), the breakout character from the Warner Bros./DC film *Suicide Squad* that already is [set up for a spinoff movie](#), is getting her own animated TV series. Warner Bros' upcoming DC-Branded direct-to-consumer digital platform has ordered 26 episodes of half-hour adult animated action-comedy series *Harley Quinn*, from *Powerless* executive producers [Justin Halpern](#) & [Patrick Schumacker](#) and Dean Lorey via [Warner Bros. Animation](#).

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Harley Quinn — which also will feature Poison Ivy and a whole cast of heroes and villains, old and new, from the DC Universe — is the third series to be greenlighted for the new DC digital platform — operated by Warner Bros. Digital Networks Group — joining live-action *Titans*, from Greg Berlanti, Akiva Goldsman, Geoff Johns, Sarah Schechter, and the anticipated revival of cult animated series *Young Justice*.

Written and executive produced by Halpern, Schumacker and Lorey, *Harley Quinn*, based on the DC characters, focuses on Harley Quinn, who finally has broken things off with the Joker once and for all and attempts to make it on her own as the criminal Queenpin of Gotham City.

The project is still in the works, so the featured image above is development art, and the series' eventual look might differ from it.

Sam Register, president of Warner Bros. Animation and Warner Digital Series, also executive produces. Jennifer Coyle (*DC Super Hero Girls: Hero of the Year*) produces with Halpern and Schumacker's Ehsugadee Productions in association with Warner Bros. Animation.

Halpern, Schumacker and Lorey dabbled in the superhero comedy series space with their stint as executive producers on NBC/Warner Bros. TV single-camera comedy *Powerless* last season.

This season, Schumacker and Halpern, who served as showrunners on *Powerless*, have multi-camera school comedy *Suspended*, which has a [put pilot commitment](#) at Fox. The duo, which has been based at WBTV, also teamed with *Veronica Mars* creator Rob Thomas on comedic drama *It's the End of the World as We Know It*, which sold to the CW in a pre-emptive buy. Halpern and Schumacker, repped by ICM Partners and attorney Allison Binder, previously co-created CBS' *S#*! My Dad Says* for WBTV and CBS with Max Mutchnick and David Cohen. It was based on Halpern's bestseller, *Sh*t My Dad Says*.

Lorey also was a writer-co-executive producer on *Arrested Development* from 2006-13 and writer-executive producer for all five seasons of *My Wife & Kids*. He is repped by WME, 3 Arts Entertainment and Felker Toecek.

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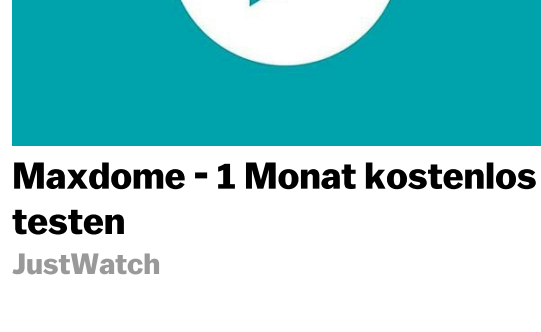
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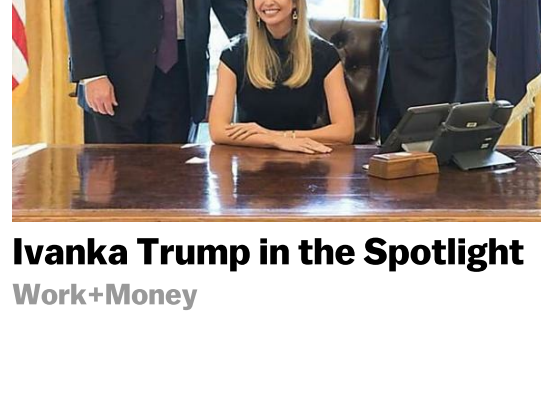
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* on Nov 20, 2017 4:34 pm

A Harley Quinn series by three male writers...none of whom are creator Paul Dini. DC never learns.

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Johnny * on Nov 20, 2017 5:26 pm

Not everything in entertainment culture has to be about checking quotas. And how do you know the show isn't going to have female writers?

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* on Nov 20, 2017 7:53 pm

Agreed. This needs female show runners.

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Ann * on Nov 20, 2017 6:47 pm

Agree! Bring in Paul Dini.

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* on Nov 20, 2017 8:45 pm

paul dini!

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BM * on Nov 20, 2017 4:49 pm

Arleen Sorkin would be a great choice to voice Harley again. Loved her from Batman The Animated Series.

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OverMaster * on Nov 20, 2017 5:45 pm

I think she's said she can't do Harley's voice anymore.

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* on Nov 20, 2017 5:11 pm

Congrats Dean! About time all this hard work paid off.

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* on Nov 20, 2017 7:50 pm

I like that Magpie is there in her Beware the Batman costume though the stockings are missing.

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again with this stuff * on Nov 20, 2017 9:16 pm

HAHAHAH THREE MEN THAT TRACKS

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* 2 hours ago

Paul Dini and Bruce Timm created the character of Harley Quinn. Both are very active in the animation business and one would hope that they will be involved in this new series in significant creative roles.

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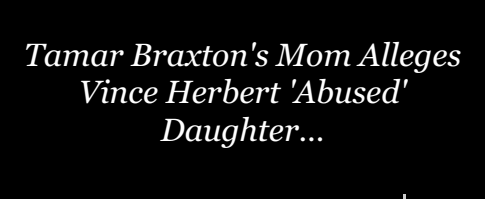
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