



Phylicia Rashad's reputation as one of America's most diversified entertainment talents continues to grow.

Known to millions of fans worldwide as Clair Huxtable from "The Cosby Show," Phylicia earned two Emmy Award nominations and a People's Choice Award for Favorite Television Female Performer during her eight years on the show. She also earned an NAACP Image Award for Best Actress in a Comedy Series for her role as Ruth Lucas on "Cosby." Phylicia has had success on the stage and in television. She recently completed a leading role in the New York production of "Blue" and has starred on Broadway in "Into the Woods," "Jelly's Last Jam," "Dreamgirls," "the Wiz," and "Ain't Supposed to Die a Natural Death."

Ms. Rashad recently made her debut as executive producer, co-producing and co-starring with her sister, Debbie Allen, in "The Old Settler." This production launched the new PBS national television drama series "PBS Hollywood Presents". Rashad's other television credits include guest appearances in the series "Touched By An Angel," "A Different World" and roles in the television films "David's Mother," "Free of Eden," "False Witness," "Jailbirds" and "Polly Comin' Home!" --both directed by her sister, Debbie Allen.

Rashad, who is also an established singer, has shared the stage with Bill Cosby in Las Vegas and performed with the Dallas Symphony and the Oklahoma Symphonic. Rashad recently received a NAACP Image Award Nomination for her role in "Once Upon a Time When We Were Colored." Phylicia is the daughter of a highly creative Houston family—her mother is a Pulitzer prize-nominated poet and scholar and her sister Debbie is a noted Broadway and television choreographer/director/actress. She graduated magna cum laude with a bach...

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