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**Cartoon Network Announces New Programming Initiatives For 2003  
(See "New York Upfront Press Breakfast '03" Press Kit for Complete Details)**

Cartoon Network announced several major programming initiatives for 2003 today at a press conference in New York. Speakers at the event included Cartoon Network executive vice president and general manager Jim Samples, senior vice president and creative director Michael Ouweleen, senior vice president of original animation Linda Simensky and senior vice president of original animation Sam Register.

Major announcements included:

**New Series:**

- *Duck Dodgers*, a new series starring Daffy Duck as an inept space hero, is produced by Warner Bros. Animation and will premiere in July 2003.
- *Teen Titans*, an action-adventure series about a group of teen-age superheroes led by Robin The Boy Wonder, will premiere in August 2003.
- *LowBrow*, an action-comedy series in which a 20-something slacker with a customized 80-foot robot from the future must defend all of humanity from evil aliens, debuts in December 2003.

**All New Episodes of Top-Rated Originals:**

- 20 new half-hour episodes of *Samurai Jack*, starting in May.
- 26 new half-hour episodes of *Justice League* beginning in October.
- 19 episodes of *Codename: Kids Next Door*.
- 4 new episodes of *The Powerpuff Girls*, starting in September, plus an all-new one-hour holiday special.
- 5 new episodes of *Ed, Edd n Eddy* begin in November.
- 11 new episodes of *Dexter's Laboratory*, beginning in April.
- 5 new episodes of *Time Squad*, debuting in March.
- 10 new episodes of *Grim & Evil*, debuting in June.
- 11 new half-hour episodes of *Whatever Happened to Robot Jones?* debut, starting in September.

**Acquisitions:**

- *What's New Scooby-Doo?*, a 21<sup>st</sup> century update of the classic comedy-mystery series starring the crime-solving Great Dane and pals Shaggy, Velma, Daphne and Fred. *What's New Scooby-Doo?*, debuts on March 28.
- 15 new episodes of *Dragonball Z*, starting on March 17, 2003. *Dragonball Z* airs exclusively on *Toonami*, Cartoon Network's action-adventure franchise.
- Cartoon Network presents the U.S. television debut of *Rorouni Kenshin*. 95 episodes of the Japanese series will premiere on *Toonami*, beginning in March 2003.
- 52 new episodes of *Dragon Ball*, to air on *Toonami* this year.
- 26 episodes of *SD Gundam*.

- 13 new episodes of *He-Man and the Masters of the Universe*.
- 26 new episodes of *Transformers: Armada*.
- 26 episode of *.hack//SIGN*.
- 12 episodes of *Kikaider*.
- 26 episodes of *Blue Gender*.
- 52 additional episodes of *Hamtaro*.
- 13 new episodes of *Big O*.
- 50 episodes of *Yu-Gi-Oh!*.
- 52 episodes of *Jackie Chan Adventures*.
- 43 episodes of *X-Men: Evolution*.
- 100 episodes of *Pokémon*.

**Adult Swim:**

- *Aqua Teen Hunger Force* has been given the greenlight for 26 new episodes, which will begin airing in 2003.
- 13 new episodes of *The Brak Show* have been ordered and will air in 2003.
- 13 new episodes of *Sealab 2021* will debut in 2003.
- 26 episodes of animé series *Trigun* will debut starting in March.
- New episodes of *Harvey Birdman, Attorney-at-Law* will debut starting in April 2003.
- 13 brand new half-hour episodes of *Home Movies*, created for Cartoon Network, will debut in Fall 2003.

News releases detailing the above projects are available upon request.

Cartoon Network currently seen in 82.1 million U.S. homes and 145 countries around the world, is Turner Broadcasting System, Inc.'s 24-hour, ad-supported cable service offering the best in animated entertainment. Drawing from the world's largest cartoon library, Cartoon Network also showcases unique original ventures such as *The Powerpuff Girls*, *Dexter's Laboratory*, *Samurai Jack*, *Courage the Cowardly Dog*, *Ed, Edd n Eddy* and other *Cartoon Cartoons*. Since its launch in 1992, Cartoon Network has remained one of ad-supported cable's highest-rated networks. Cartoon Network's Web site is located at <http://CartoonNetwork.com> (AOL Keyword: Cartoon Network).

Turner Broadcasting System, Inc., an AOL Time Warner company, is a major producer of news and entertainment product around the world and the leading provider of programming for the basic cable industry.