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Singer Whitney Houston getting star-spangled reviews from fans

Artist Records reports Whitney Houston's version of "The Star-Spangled Banner" has become the fastest-selling single in the label's history, with about 750,000 copies moving in just eight days.

A one-hour documentary celebrating the life, career and musical legacy of Marian Anderson will premiere on PBS May 8. Celebrating her 89th birthday this year, Anderson reminisces about the people, events and influences that shaped her personal and musical development.

Actors Eli Wallach and Anne Jackson, wed for 43 years, will receive a lifetime achievement award at the Helen Hayes Awards show May 6.

The debut of HBO's *The Josephine Baker Story* outscored all three broadcast networks in the Nielsen's and Showtime's premiere of *Pretty Woman*, too. "I guess our pretty woman was better than theirs," said HBO's senior vice president Robert Cooper, gleefully.

Rapper M.C. Hammer is the subject of a new animated children's series scheduled for ABC this fall. *Hammerman* takes place before he discovers his "magic dancing shoes."



Whitney Houston

Mikhail Baryshnikov launched his new men's fragrance, Baryshnikov Pour Homme, with an 18-city tour that began April 19. Misha and his nine hand-picked dancers opened in Detroit and will continue through the summer.

All My Children heads south to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla., to shoot three special episodes. Nine cast members participate in a storyline involving a serious car crash that impacts each of their lives. Air dates continue Monday and Tuesday, April 29 and 30.

Which film marked debut of classic song 'White Christmas'?

By Steven Alan McGaw

Questions:

1. The song "White Christmas" was first sung in what movie?
2. Identify Manuwalda.
3. Who played the title role in the film *Letter from an Unknown Woman*?
4. Which film opens with Clark Gable catching a bus in Miami?
5. Name the actress who played the title role in *A Countess from Hong Kong*.
6. Woody Allen's first film was...
7. Name the 1960 film based on the novel *The Midwich Cuckoos*.
8. Don Diego Vega is better known as...
9. What nationality was Charlie Allnut?

Answers:

1. *Holiday Inn*
2. Blacula
3. Joan Fontaine
4. *It Happened One Night*
5. Sophia Loren
6. *What's New, Pussycat?*
7. *Village of the Damned*
8. Zorro
9. Canadian (and shame on you if you don't know who Charlie Allnut is! That's Humphrey Bogart's character in *The African Queen*.)



The woman who shot J.R. (Mary Crosby) returns for *Dallas*' two-hour finale, Friday on CBS.



Chevy Chase and Jullianne Phillips are caught in Southern intrigue in *Fletch Lives*, Saturday on CBS.



Frederic Forrest stars in the stunning conclusion of "Die Kinder" on PBS' *Mystery!* on Thursday.