

TV News: FX Comedy 'The League' Expands to Second Season

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CHICAGO – FX has picked up the network's freshman comedy series "The League". The network has decided to expand the next season to 13 episodes, announced Nick Gad, Executive Vice President of Original Programming, FX Networks.

Season two will return in summer 2010. The first season finale of "The League" will air tomorrow, Thursday December 10, at 10:30 pm ET/PT. "We've been very pleased with the creative and ratings trajectory of The League and believe it's an excellent fit with our comedy brand," said Grad. "Jackie and Jeff Schaffer are incredibly talented producers and the ensemble cast is fantastic. The performance of the show this season is reminiscent of Sunny in its first season."



Nick Kroll, Mark Duplass, Stephen Rannazzisi, Katie Aselton, Jon Lajoie
and Paul Scheer.

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"The League" is about friendship, marriage, parenting and growing up... well, refusing to grow up. Set against the backdrop of a fantasy football league, the series was created by husband-and-wife team Jeff Schaffer ("Curb Your Enthusiasm," "Seinfeld") and Jackie Marcus Schaffer ("Disturbia," "Euro Trip") who also serve as executive producers. The ensemble features Mark Duplass, Stephen Rannazzisi, Nick Kroll, Paul Scheer, Katie Aselton and Jon Lajoie.

"This has been a wonderful experience for me and Jeff," said Jackie Marcus Schaffer. "Our cast – Mark, Steve, Nick, Paul, Katie and Jon – is made up of some of the most talented young actor-comedians in the business. So much of the credit goes to them." Jeff Schaffer added, "FX has been like the coolest girlfriend you could ever have. They get us, laugh at our jokes, and love hearing us talk about football. It's a perfect relationship - and we look forward to going steady with them for a long time."

In addition to "The League" and "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia," the network will debut a new animated series, "Archer" on Thursday January 14 at 10 PM ET/PT, and "Louie," starring stand-up comedian Louis C.K. in the spring. The network has ordered 10 episodes of both



series. FX ordered seasons six and seven of “Always Sunny,” with season six set to air next summer.

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