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In the last half-century, women have fought their way into nearly every sphere of American life, from the battlefield to the comedy club, to the soundstage to the Senate. Expanding on the the critically acclaimed three-hour PBS documentary series *MAKERS: Women Who Make America*, each new episode examines the impact of the women's movement on six fields once largely closed to women: comedy, Hollywood, space, politics, business, and war.

MAKERS: Women in Comedy tracks the rise of women in the world of comedy, from the 1970s sitcoms like *Maude* to the groundbreaking women of the 1980s American comedy club boom, and today's multifaceted landscape in which movies like *Bridesmaids* break box office records and the women of *Saturday Night Live* are often more famous than their male counterparts. Contemporary comics, including Chelsea Handler, Mo'Nique, Sarah Silverman, Joan Rivers, Ellen DeGeneres, Jane Lynch, and Kathy Griffin, talk about where women started in this competitive, male-dominated profession and where they are determined to go.

MAKERS: Women in Hollywood showcases the women of showbiz as they influence the creation of one of the world's biggest commodities: entertainment. Audiences hear from actress-producer-activist Jane Fonda of *The Newsroom*; television powerhouse Shonda Rhimes, known for *Grey's Anatomy* and *Scandal*; screenwriter Linda Woolverton from *Beauty and the Beast*; director Ava DuVernay of *Middle of Nowhere*; writer-director-actress Lena Dunham from *Girls*; and Academy Award®-winner Geena Davis.

MAKERS: Women in Space traces the history of women pioneers in the U.S. space program. The program includes interviews with Eileen Collins, the first woman to pilot a spacecraft, as well as Sally Ride's classmates Shannon Lucid, Rhea Seddon, and Kathryn Sullivan, and features Mae Jemison, the first woman of color astronaut, and Peggy Whitson, the first female commander of the International Space Station.

MAKERS: Women in Politics profiles women in public office who were "firsts" in their fields. From the first woman elected to Congress in 1916 to a young woman running for Detroit City Council in 2013, the documentary explores the challenges confronting American women in politics. This episode includes trailblazing leaders like Hillary Clinton, Senators Barbara Mikulski and Lisa Murkowski, along with Patricia Schroeder, Olympia Snowe, Rashida Tlaib, Raquel Castaneda-Lopez, Elizabeth Warren, Susan Collins, and Rep. Tulsi Gabbard.

MAKERS: Women in Business tells the story of the exceptional women who have taken the world of business by storm. Told by female business leaders themselves, this is a candid exploration of what it takes to make it in business and a celebration of the extraordinary individuals who, over the course of 50 years, have proven—on Wall Street, in corporate America, or in business empires of their own—that a woman's place is wherever she believes it to be. Some of the featured business leaders include Ursula Burns, the CEO of Xerox; Sallie Krawcheck, Wall Street powerhouse; Cathy Hughes, radio and television personality; lifestyle mogul and business magnate Martha Stewart; and Sheryl Sandberg, COO of Facebook.

MAKERS: Women in War looks at the increasing participation of women in war—from Vietnam to the present—as nurses, soldiers, journalists, diplomats, and spies. Among those featured are Linda Bray, the first woman to lead troops into battle; Valerie Plame Wilson, whose career was sabotaged after she was "outed" as a high-level spy; General Angela Salinas, at her retirement the highest ranking woman serving in the USMC; and Vice Admiral Michelle Howard, the highest-ranking woman in the history of the U.S. Navy.

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