# QUANTUM LEAP





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#### SCOTT BAKULA TO MAKE RARE MUSICAL APPEARANCE AT SPECIAL EVENT TO LAUNCH VIDEOCASSETTE DEBUT AND SOUNDTRACK RELEASE OF "QUANTUM LEAP"

Universal City, CA --- On Tuesday, September 21, Scott Bakula, best known as the star of TV's popular Emmyhonored "Quantum Leap" series and Candice Bergen's latest love interest in this season's "Murphy Brown," will display his musical talents at an exclusive private cocktail event to launch the videocassette debut and soundtrack release of "QUANTUM LEAP." The celebration kicks off at 7 PM in the renowned Wizardz nightclub at the Universal CityWalk.

Bakula, accompanied by his band, will perform several songs from the "QUANTUM LEAP" soundtrack being released through GNP Crescendo Records in October. In addition, video highlights from the five "QUANTUM LEAP" episodes will be screened as well as a spectacular laser show created especially for Wizardz. The five episodes debuting on September 22 from MCA/Universal Home Video for \$14.98 suggested retail each are: "The Quantum Leap Pilot," "The Color of Truth," "Camikazi Kid," "Catch a Falling Star," and "What Price Gloria?"



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### MCA/UNIVERSAL HOME VIDEO LEAPS INTO THE FUTURE WITH FIVE EVENT-FILLED EPISODES OF "OUANTUM LEAP":

"WHAT PRICE GLORIA?," "CATCH A FALLING STAR,"
"THE COLOR OF TRUTH," "PILOT EPISODE" AND "CAMIKAZI KID"

UNIVERSAL CITY, CA -- MCA/Universal Home Video releases five episodes of the popular Emmy-Award winning series QUANTUM LEAP on videocassette on September 22, 1993, at the sell-through price of \$14.98 suggested retail each. Starring Scott Bakula and Dean Stockwell, the five episodes delve into scientific experiments that ultimately reveal lessons about racism, alcoholism, sexual harassment and brutal relationships.

Due to an experiment gone awry, a brilliant scientist, Sam Beckett (Scott Bakula), is fated to quantum leap back and forth through time with only the slightest hope of returning to his own present. His singular contact is Albert (Dean Stockwell), a holographic character, who pops in and out of Sam's adventures, providing time-line data from an unseen source known as Ziggy.

#### QUANTUM LEAP PILOT --1956

Sam wakes up in 1956 as Air Force pilot Capt. Hank Stratton, with a pregnant wife and a little boy. When Sam goes up in a B-52 aircraft with Hank's best friend Capt. "Bird Dog" Birdell and Capt. Tony LaMott, they think he's joking when he insists he doesn't know how to fly! Sam is suffering from amnesia regarding the experiment gone awry and is startled to see a man in a tuxedo who vanishes into thin air. The observer, Albert, is surprised to learn that Sam doesn't know him. Not only must Sam recall Albert and his own real life, he must also convince the Air Force

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that he <u>is</u> Stratton or he'll never be in the right place at the right time -- in the cockpit of an experimental plane at Mach Two speed -- to be retrieved from 1956.

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Selection Number: 80902

Technical Information: VHS/Hi-Fi Dolby Digital/Closed Captioned. Cast: Scott Bakula, Dean Stockwell, Jennifer Runyon, Christia Van Dorn, John Allen Nelson, W.K. Stratton, Bruce McGill.

Executive Producer: Donald P. Bellisario.

Produced by: Deborah Pratt, John Hill.

Directed by: David Hemmings.

Written by: Donald P. Bellisario.

#### THE COLOR OF TRUTH - AUGUST 8, 1955

Sam Beckett confronts racism when he appears as a 70 year-old black man sitting at a lunch counter in Red Dog, Alabama, in 1955. He uses his borrowed identity to alter the life and conscience of the elderly Miz Melny for whom he works, who is the widow of the one-time governor of Alabama. Sam's mission is to save Miz Melny who is predestined to be hit by a train. If Sam falls victim to the racists and remains in jail, Miz Melny will die.

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Selection Number: 81621

<u>Technical Information:</u> VHS/Dolby Hi-Fi Digital/Closed Captioned.

<u>Cast:</u> Scott Bakula, Dean Stockwell, Susan French, Royce D.

Applegate, Michael Kruger, Jeff Tyler, Jim Ingersoll, Jane Abbot.

<u>Executive Producer:</u> Donald P. Bellisario.

<u>Produced by:</u> Harker Wade. <u>Directed by:</u> Mike Vejar. <u>Written by:</u> Deborah Pratt.

#### CATCH A FALLING STAR - MAY 21, 1979

Sam becomes an actor in a Broadway production of "Man of La Mancha." and must save the lead, a brilliant performer with a drinking problem, from falling on stage and ruining his life. Sam is also given the opportunity to court his piano teacher, Nicole, who was his first love when he was 14. A jealous actress

tries to destroy Sam's relationship with Nicole -- as well as the career of the leading man. But Sam and Albert, onstage as Don Quizote and Sancho, pledge to forge on to new adventures.

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<u>Cast:</u> Scott Bakula, Dean Stockwell, John Cullum, Michele Pawk, Janine Turner, Ernie Sabella, Paul Sand.

Executive Producer: Donald P. Bellisario.

Produced by: Deborah Pratt, Paul M. Belous, Robert Wolterstorff. Directed by: Donald P. Bellisario.

Written by: Paul Brown.

#### WHAT PRICE GLORIA? - OCTOBER 16, 1961

The year is 1961 and Sam Beckett becomes Samantha, a gorgeous woman being sexually harassed on the job by the new Vice President Buddy Wright. Her roommate Gloria is destined to commit suicide because Buddy leads her to believe they will soon wed, when in fact, he is already married.

In the interim, Sam and Gloria are stuck with blind dates arranged by Samantha's mother. Sam's date is a lecherous salesman but Gloria's date is Parker, a shy, attentive gentleman. Gloria sees Buddy with his wife and attempts suicide. Sam saves her and then offers the ultimate humiliation to Buddy Wright -- after vamping him at the office he then reveals that Samantha is really a man!

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Selection Number: 81619
Technical Information: VHS/Digital Dolby Hi-Fi/Closed Captioned.
Cast: Scott Bakula, Dean Stockwell, Jean Sagal, LaReine Chabut.
Executive Producer: Donald P. Bellisario.
Produced by: Harker Wade.
Directed by: Alan Levi.
Written by: Deborah Pratt.

#### CAMIKAZI KID - JUNE 6, 1961

In the body of Cameron Wilson, a Van Nuys, California teenager, Sam asks not what he can do for the guy's woeful acne problem, but what he can do for the teen's idealistic sister Cheryl, who is about to marry a brutish hot-rodder. Because Sam's sister was an abused wife, he is determined to protect Cheryl from her fate. After convincing Cheryl to pursue a life of value in the Peace Corps, Sam manages to court a sweet teen

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tomboy. He even finds time to teach a young Michael Jackson the Moonwalk!

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Selection Number: 81618
Technical Information: VHS/Digital Dolby Hi-Fi/Closed Captioned.
Cast: Scott Bakula, Dean Stockwell, Romy Windsor, Kevin Blair,
Robert Costanzo, Holly Fields, Jason Priestley.
Executive Producer: Donald P. Bellisario.
Produced by: John Hill, Harker Wade, Deborah Pratt.
Directed by: Alan Levi.
Written by: Paul Brown.

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## QUARTUM

#### SCOTT BAKULA

Scott Bakula has lived every actor's dream for the past five seasons on the critically acclaimed NBC drama "Quantum Leap." The New York Times stated, "Scott Bakula has the most demanding and rewarding job on weekly television. Mr. Bakula jumps from one character to another with thoroughly impressive and charming aplomb...this actor seems to revel in versatility."

Currently, Bakula has joined the cast of "Murphy Brown" in a guest starring role. He will play an aggressive, but charming hot-shot international reporter, a gonzo journalist whose self-assuredness and good looks often belie the truth that he is, in fact, an excellent reporter.

As soon as he wrapped the final episode of "Quantum Leap," Bakula segued into the filming the NBC Movie of the Week, "Mercy Mission: The Rescue of Flight 771," shot entirely on location in Australia. Based on a true story, he portrays Jay Parkins, a young ex-Navy pilot who faces a life and death emergency which eventually helps him mature and face his personal obligations. The telefilm is scheduled to air Christmas 1993. After working on this project Bakula filmed Hollywood Pictures' "Color of Night," with Bruce Willis. He portrays Dr. Bob Moore, a Los Angeles

psychologist who is receiving death threats from a suspected patient in one of his therapy groups. The film, distributed by Buena Vista Pictures, is scheduled for release in early February, 1994.

For his "Quantum Leap" performance, Bakula has received Golden Globe nominations for the past four years by the Hollywood Foreign Press Association, and he received the 1992 Golden Globe for Best Performance by an Actor in a Television Series (Drama). In addition, he has received four Emmy nominations and has been honored with the Viewers For Quality Television Award for Best Actor in a Drama for the past four years.

Bakula's feature film credits include a starring role in the Paramount comedy, "Necessary Roughness," portraying a 34-year old freshman quarterback to a group of outlandish and unconventional college athletes. The Los Angeles Times states in their review of the film, "Scott Bakula scores...Bakula has a laid-back quality that makes him a welcome, easy-to-take presence on the big screen." He made his feature film debut in 1990 starring opposite Kirstie Alley in "Sibling Rivalry," a Castle Rock Entertainment project directed by Carl Reiner.

Before making his mark on television and film, he was already a well-known theatre actor who was acknowledged with a 1988 Tany Nomination for his starring role in the Broadway musical, "Romance/Romance."

Born in St. Louis, Bakula originally planned to follow in his father's footsteps as a lawyer, before deciding on an acting career. Moving to New York in 1976, he made his Broadway debut as Joe DiMaggio in "Marilyn: An American Fable." He later went on to appear in the critically-acclaimed Off-Broadway production of "3 Guys Naked From the Waist Down," which he later performed at the Pasadena Playhouse. Before his return to Broadway in "Romance/Romance," Bakula appeared in both the Los Angeles and Boston productions of "Nite Club Confidential."

Bakula has just completed the "Quantum Leap" album which will be released in October, 1993.

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