# Baby Daddy: A Family Business



ABC Family's *Baby Daddy* stars Chelsea Kane as Riley, Derek Theler as Danny, Jean-Luc Bilodeau as Ben, twins Ali and Susanne Hartman as Emma, Melissa Peterman as Bonnie and Tahj Mowry as Tucker.

#### By Marissa Berlin

5:00 PM — It's a Friday evening, and a line of smiling fans shuffles in to Stage 20. Most think they're here to simply see a show, but those colored wristbands they're wearing have just made them an integral part of the larger *Baby Daddy* "Family" – a dedicated group of people who all contribute to the success of the show. And that's not all: in laughing along with a live taping here at CBS Radford, this audience will also join a continuum of sitcom families among the greatest in TV history. What *Baby Daddy* shares with such revered comedies as *Seinfeld*, *Will & Grace*, and *The Mary Tyler Moore Show* goes beyond its multicamera format (or where it's shot!). In its respective decade, each of these shows became a hit because it reflected America through the antics of its on-screen family. Whether it was a group of friends, a herd of workplace colleagues, or an actual family... the on-screen cast was only a part of that larger Family. America might not know it, but being in love with *Baby Daddy*'s Wheeler clan means they also have a lot of love for the *Baby Daddy* Family as a whole.

Created by Executive Producer Dan Berendsen (*The Nine Lives of Chloe King*, *Sabrina the Teenage Witch*) and directed by Michael Lembeck (*Friends, Mad About You*) *Baby Daddy* is the story of Ben Wheeler (Jean-Luc Bilodeau) becoming a surprise father to a baby girl left on his doorstep by an exgirlfriend. When Ben decides to raise his



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Baby Daddy (ProdCo, Inc./ABC Family)

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- 10 National TV Dinner Night at CBS Studio Center
- 14 Yom Kippur
- 19 1st Day of Sukkot
- 22 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Primetime Emmy's on CBS

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little girl with the help of his mother Bonnie (Melissa Peterman), brother Danny (Derek Theler), best buddy Tucker (Tahj Mowry) and close friend, Riley (Chelsea Kane), hijinks, shenanigans, and the occasional pratfall ensue.

6:00 PM — Rolls around and the excited audience of 182 diverse and engaged fans is introduced to the talented and hilarious representatives of the *Baby Daddy* Family... the cast; who always kick off the night's episode with an actual kick, in unison. It's a small act but an important one: it sets in motion the back and forth exchange between performers and audience that keeps Stage 20 alive with energy throughout the evening.

6:30 PM — Baby Daddy's live audience is getting the first taste of the episode that will eventually make its way into the living rooms of families across the country – some conventional, others as unconventional as the Wheelers. But, no matter who is watching, it's easy to root for a guy with an adorable baby strapped to his chest. Of which the show has two – in case one of them didn't get in a good nap before the show.

7:30 PM — The Family working behindthe-scenes is very, very busy. In the same moment that the warm-up guy is balancing a ladder on his chin... set dec is scrambling to turn the elevator landing into a lobby, post is already processing the footage just shot, and hot pizza is being passed out to *Baby Daddy*'s extended Family in the stands.

Fast forward to 8:30 PM. — The writers are huddled together pitching an alternate joke to end a scene – which they refer to as "the blow." They come to an agreement like a team breaking for a play, and within minutes the revised line lands and the audience erupts. It's an electric moment... and whether or not "the blow" eventually passes Standards & Practices, makes it through a director's cut, two producers' cuts and network notes, those who were here to watch it live will always be in on the joke. And, no matter what makes the final cut, what happened on Stage 20 can never be re-run.

10:00 PM — As the audience files out – a lucky few clinging to cast-signed programs –



Tahj Mowry, Jean-Luc Bilodeau, Derek Theler

and the crew covers the set in white sheets, another chapter has been added to CBS Studio Center history. Once again, everyone from the grips to casting, costumes to craft service to electric has come together to keep the sitcom torch burning for a new generation. Hopefully, when they tune in to ABC Family at 8:30 PM on Wednesday nights – or download *Baby Daddy* to their mobile devices – they will realize they're watching more than the characters on-screen. And with any luck, they'll feel like Family, too.

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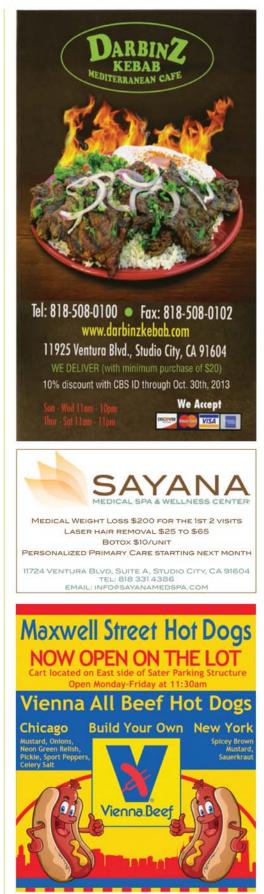


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