



## CALLING ALL DARING CANADIAN THRILL AND SPILL SEEKERS!

### CONTESTANT SEARCH BEGINS FOR *WIPEOUT* *CANADA* - THE LATEST EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SMASH HIT

**Jonathan Torrens, Ennis Esmer and Jessica Phillips  
Announced as Hosts**

**Contestant Application Form Now Available at  
[www.WipeoutCanada.com](http://www.WipeoutCanada.com)**

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**TORONTO - June 2, 2010 - TVtropolis** and Lone Eagle Entertainment dare Canadians from coast-to-coast to submit their application for a chance to compete on the world's largest obstacle course and become a contestant on the highly-anticipated, *Wipeout Canada*.

Beginning today, eligible Canadians may submit their application form at [www.WipeoutCanada.com](http://www.WipeoutCanada.com). All candidates must complete their application online before the official Canada Day closing deadline at midnight, Thursday, July 1, 2010.

"We're looking for daring, thrill-seeking Canadians who believe they have the skill to compete in *Wipeout's* extremely challenging course," said Karen Gelbart, SVP, Content, Lifestyle Channels, Canwest Broadcasting. "The program is wildly successful worldwide and we're thrilled to have our own Canadian version."

"Game on, Canada! If you think you have what it takes, let us know!" said Michael Geddes, Executive Producer, Lone Eagle Entertainment.

Quick-witted Canadian TV veteran Jonathan Torrens (*TV with TV's Jonathan Torrens*, *Trailer Park Boys*) and Canadian Comedy Award nominee, Ennis Esmer (*Young People Fucking*; *The Listener*) will host the Canadian format of the painfully funny series, offering humorous running commentary. Model and actress, Jessica Phillips (*Deal or No Deal Canada*; *Being Erica*) will be on the front lines of all the wipeout action as co-host, providing additional commentary and contestant reactions direct from the course.

Slated to premiere on TVtropolis in the Spring of 2011, *Wipeout Canada* will give 20 contestants in each episode the chance to conquer the course over four rounds of competition, ultimately leading to the crowning of the winner who will earn a \$50,000 grand prize.

Thirteen one-hour Canadian episodes will be taped on the iconic *Wipeout* set this October, promising to provide the most spectacular and often painfully hilarious spills, face plants and wipeouts.

The *Wipeout* format is licensed to Lone Eagle Entertainment and is distributed in Canada by Disney and internationally by Endemol, a leading producer of television programming specializing in reality and non-scripted genres for network and cable television. The Canadian format will air on TVtropolis – joining an already robust line-up of hit reality shows including *Pit Boss*, *America's Worst Driver*, *The Marriage Ref*, and *Intervention*.

For exclusive news, interviews, contests and behind-the-scenes footage and photos, fans are encouraged to join the Official *Wipeout Canada* Facebook fan page at [www.Facebook/WipeoutCanada.com](http://www.Facebook/WipeoutCanada.com).

Encore presentations of Season 1 and 2 of *Wipeout* air on Mondays at 8pm and 9pm ET/PT on TVtropolis.

**About Canwest Broadcasting:**

Canwest Broadcasting operates Global Television and 18 of the country's most popular specialty channels, including HGTV, Mystery TV, National Geographic Channel, Showcase, History Television, Food Network and TVtropolis. Canwest Broadcasting is a division of Canwest Media Inc.

**About Canwest Originals:**

Canwest is the proud home of the most diverse slate of Canadian Original programs across the Dramatic, Lifestyle and Entertainment genres. As a steadfast supporter of the Canadian production community, Canwest is dedicated to bringing the best of the country to audiences nationwide - including shows such as: *Rookie Blue*, *Family Restaurant*, *Holmes Inspection*, *Ice Pilots: NWT*, *16:9*, *Re-Vamped* and Canada's most trusted entertainment news show *Entertainment Tonight Canada*.

**About Canwest Media Inc.:**

Canwest Media Inc. is a subsidiary of Canwest Global Communications Corp. ([www.canwest.com](http://www.canwest.com)) Canada's largest media company. In addition to owning the Global Television Network, operating 18 industry-leading specialty channels and having ownership in 5 specialty channels, Canwest is Canada's largest publisher of English language paid daily newspapers and owns and operates more than 80 online properties.

**About Lone Eagle Entertainment:**

Lone Eagle Entertainment Ltd. is an independent production company based in Toronto. Founded in 1996 by Michael Geddes, Lone Eagle develops and produces high-concept television such as the smash hit series *Popstars*, the #1 rated Canadian series for three consecutive seasons. Lone Eagle has also brought TV audiences *Inside the Box*, *You Bet Your Ass*, *The Office Temps*, *The Call*, *Supermodels*, *Tribes of the 21st Century* and *Carlawood*. [www.loneeagle.tv](http://www.loneeagle.tv).

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