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RAMY YOUSSEF

Actor/Writer/Director

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Ramy Youssef is an award-winning Egyptian American creator, actor, producer, director, and comedian who brings his unique voice and perspective to his storytelling. Youssef created, produces, directs and stars in the hit Hulu show “Ramy,” inspired by his own experiences centering around a first-generation Egyptian-American Muslim on a spiritual journey in his politically divided New Jersey neighborhood.

In 2020, Youssef won the Golden Globe for “Best Performance by an Actor in a Television Series – Musical or Comedy” and was nominated for two Emmy Awards in the categories of “Outstanding Lead Actor in a Comedy Series” and “Outstanding Directing for a Comedy Series.” Additionally, the series was honored by the Peabody Awards for Excellence in Storytelling. The third season of Youssef’s widely celebrated “Ramy” premiered in September 2022.

Youssef was also nominated for a Critics’ Choice Award and a Writers Guild Award for his one-hour HBO comedy special “Ramy Youssef: Feelings” produced by A24.

Youssef is a co-creator and executive producer of Netflix’s new series “Mo,” a semi-autobiographical series inspired by Mohammad Amer’s life as a Palestinian refugee growing up in Houston. “Mo” recently debuted to critical acclaim and was produced with A24 and Youssef’s new production company, Cairo Cowboy. The show premiered in August of 2022. The series won the Gotham Award for Best Breakthrough Series Under 40 Minutes, and was recognized by AFI as one of their Top Television Programs of the year.

On the feature front, Youssef will star alongside Emma Stone, Willem Dafoe and Mark Ruffalo in Yorgos Lanthimos’ highly anticipated film POOR THINGS for Searchlight, which will make its debut in 2023.