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AARP Releases Statement on Passing of Don Rickles

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WASHINGTON, DC — On Thursday, AARP released a statement following the death of legendary comic Don Rickles.

Rickles was the star of the upcoming AARP original series "Dinner With Don" produced by AARP Studios, in conjunction with Stamper Lumber Media Group. The 10 episode series will feature the king of comedy dining with friends and fellow comedians he has inspired over the years. The guest list includes Billy Crystal, Robert De Niro, Jimmy Kimmel, Amy Poehler, Vince Vaughn, Paul Rudd, Marisa Tomei and Martin Scorsese.

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"All of us at AARP Studios are immensely saddened with the passing of Don Rickles. We had the distinct pleasure of recently working with Don on our upcoming series "Dinner with Don." Don was known for his biting, acerbic humor and we feel lucky enough to have experienced that first-hand. He was also a thoughtful, kind and generous colleague and friend. Don continued to make audiences laugh throughout his life and career and his legacy will live on. We send our condolences to his family and longtime industry colleagues," said leffrey Eagle who serves as the Vice President of AARP Studios.

The "Dinner with Don" series is slated to be released later this year.

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About AARP

AARP is the nation's largest nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to empowering Americans 50 and older to choose how they live as they age. With nearly 38 million members and offices in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, AARP works to strengthen communities and advocate for what matters most to families with a focus on health security, financial stability and personal fulfillment. AARP also works for individuals in the marketplace by sparking new solutions and allowing carefully chosen, high-quality products and services to carry the AARP name. As a trusted source for news and information, AARP produces the world's largest circulation publications, AARP The Magazine and AARP Bulletin. To learn more, visit www.aarp.org or follow @AARP and @AARPadvocates on social media.

About AARP Studios

AARP Studios is AARP's award-winning in-house production entity committed to telling stories about the passions, challenges and successes of people 50-plus. AARP Studios produces a variety of rich and compelling content that educate, entertain and inspire. From viral videos to short documentaries to virtual reality content and long-form television specials, AARP Studios distributes its content across multiple media platforms including film, television, digital and social media. To learn more, visit: AARP Studios on

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