

THE TEAM



PAOLO PRESTA



PATRICK THOMASSIE EXECUTIVE PRODUCER

THE STORY

Paolo Presta was born to dream BIG. Growing up in Chicago, his dream was always to be a part of the entertainment business. For years, Paolo wrote to The Oprah Winfrey Show, asking Oprah for help fulfilling that dream. Then, in November 2004, the unimaginable happened—Oprah surprised Paolo with a guest role on NBC's Will & Grace. His exhuberant reaction is regarded as one of the greatest surprise moments in the history of The Oprah Show. Fueled by that life-changing experience, Paolo moved to Los Angeles to pursue his passion, working behind the scenes of The Ellen DeGeneres Show and CBS's The Talk. He utilized all he learned there to fulfill his life-long dream of hosting his own talk show. In 2011, Paolo & his husband Patrick launched A Spoonful of Paolo with his first guest Sharon Osbourne. Spanning 15 incredible seasons, he's been able to sit down with his favorite hosts, performers & beloved pop culture icons. He strives to make his interviews a unique celebration of each guest and a meaningful experience they will treasure. Paolo's greatest mission is to show his audience that anything is possible if they work hard and dream BIG!

AWARDS

눚 9x TELLY Award Winner

2025 2x SILVER WINNER: Online Talk Show 2024 2x SILVER WINNER: Online Talk Show 2023 2x SILVER WINNER: Online Interview 2021 SILVER WINNER: Online Talk Show 2020 BRONZE WINNER: Online Talk Show 2019 SILVER WINNER: Online Talk Show

눚 WEBBY Award Nominee

2022 • Variety Series • FELLOW NOMINEES: Jimmy Kimmel Live, The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon, Variety's Actors on Actors, & Colman Domingo

DAVEY Award Winner 2023 SILVER WINNER: General Trailer

★ WEBBY Award Honoree 2012 · Variety & Reality Video

PRESS

Paolo has been featured on:
The Oprah Winfrey Network
Oprah Daily
People Magazine
The GLAAD Media Awards
CBS's The Talk
NewsNation's Morning in America
The Insider
OUT Magazine
Huffington Post
Buzzfeed
Yahoo! Entertainment
Daily Mail

