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X-Men’97 now streaming 2nd season on Disney+, featuring the voices of Ross Marquand as Professor X, Matthew Waterson as Magneto, Ray Chase as Cyclops, & Jennifer Hale as Jean Grey

Marvel Animation’s Emmy®-nominated series “X-Men ’97” returned to Disney+ on July 1 and is currently streaming for a second season. The first season of “X-Men ’97” is one of the most-watched Disney+ Original animated series (based on hours streamed globally), and a hit with fans and critics alike. “X-Men ’97” Season 2 continues with the heroic mutant team of X-Men, divided and thrown across different eras in time as they struggle to navigate their return home. Meanwhile, back in the 1990s, suspicious foes and new strains of mutant intolerance are on the rise in the wake of the X-Men’s absence. The second season of the original animated series features 9 episodes, and the voice cast includes Ross Marquand as Professor X, Matthew Waterson as Magneto, Ray Chase as Cyclops, Jennifer Hale as Jean Grey, Alison Sealy-Smith as Storm, Cal Dodd as Wolverine, Lenore Zann as Rogue, and George Buza as Beast. The series is executive produced by Brad Winderbaum, Kevin Feige, Louis D’Esposito, Dana Vasquez-Eberhardt, Julia Lewald, Eric Lewald, Larry Houston, and Beau DeMayo. The supervising producer is Jake Castorena. Episodes written by JB Ballard, Beau DeMayo, Bailey Moore, Antony Sellitti, Brian Ford Sullivan, and Mariah Wilson. The episodic directors are Emmett Yonemura and Chase Conley.

In March of 2024, season 1 of Marvel Animation’s “X-Men ’97” debuted on Disney+. The animated series revisits the iconic era of the 1990s as the X-Men, a band of mutants who use their uncanny gifts to protect a world that hates and fears them, are challenged like never before, forced to face a dangerous and

unexpected new future. The show was an instant hit with fans and critics alike. In fact, it is one of the most-watched Disney+ Original animated series (based on hours streamed globally), and was nominated for a Primetime Emmy Award® for outstanding animated program, and won a Critics’ Choice Award for best animated series.

WHO’S WHO, AND WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Professor X/Charles Xavier (Ross Marquand), a geneticist with complex telepathic powers and the beloved leader of the X-Men, was stuck in 3,000 B.C. Egypt at the end of season 1.

Magneto (Matthew Waterson), the powerful mutant who can manipulate all forms of magnetism, summon force fields, and shoot electromagnetic pulses that can disable electronic devices, and who has spent most of his mutant life trying to protect the less fortunate, was with Charles in 3,000 B.C. Egypt.

Cyclops/Scott Summers (Ray Chase), who emits concussive beams from his eyes and is fiercely committed to protecting both his family and mutants across the world, was stranded in the future when audiences last saw him.

Jean Grey (Jennifer Hale), who is married to Scott Summers and possesses telepathic and telekinetic powers, was stranded in the future with Scott.

Storm (Alison Sealey-Smith), the Egyptian weather goddess with the ability to control and manipulate the forces of nature, disappeared at the end of season 1.

Wolverine/Logan (Cal Dodd), the powerful and gruff mutant with healing powers and adamantium metal claws, was also mis-



Scenes above are from Marvel's X-MEN '97 SEASON 2, exclusively on Disney+.(Photo courtesy of Marvel).

sing.

Rogue (Lenore Zann), a Southern belle who can absorb another’s powers and memories via touch, was marooned in Egypt in the year 3,000 B.C.

Beast (George Buza), who possesses superhuman strength and agility and a genius-level intellect, which manifests itself in a blue, furry exterior, was also

stranded in 3,000 B.C. Egypt.

Jubilee (Holly Chou), the youngest member of the X-Men who generates explosive pyrotechnic energy plasmoids, was missing when Season 1 ended.

Bishop (Isaac Robinson-Smith), who can absorb and discharge most forms of energy, was last seen at the wreckage of the X-Mansion with Forge.

Morph (JP Karliak), who transforms their voice and body to impersonate anyone and gain their physical abilities, was also missing.

Polaris (Carolina Ravassa), a mutant who is able to manipulate and control magnetic fields, was working for X-Factor.

Cable/Nathan Summers (Chris Potter), the son of Scott Summers and Madelyne Pryor, who is equipped with advanced cybernetics and has the ability to travel through time, was missing when season 1 ended.

Nightcrawler (Adrian Hough), the kind-hearted, blue-skinned, teleporting mutant with pointed ears, fangs, and a tail, was in 300 B.C., Egypt.

TN Titans sign three players and waive three players

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NASHVILLE, August 2, 2026–The Titans have signed defensive back Derrick Canteen, defensive tackle Khalen Saunders and defensive tackle Laki Tasi. The team has released safety Hudson Clark, defensive lineman David Ebuka Agoha and defensive lineman Cam Horsley. Canteen, who played in college at Georgia Southern, Virginia Tech and Cincinnati, joined the 49ers as an undrafted free agent following the 2025 NFL Draft. He spent time on the team's practice squad last year and after signing a futures contract earlier this offseason, was with the team prior to being waived on July 31.



Saunders, a third-round pick of the Chiefs in the 2019 NFL Draft, has spent time with the Chiefs (2019-2022), Saints (2023-2024), Jaguars (2025) and Jets (2025). He's played in 77 career games, with 32 starts, and he's totaled 193 tackles, 7.5 sacks and eight tackles for a loss in his career. Tasi has been added as an Exempt/International Player. Tasi, who was born in Samoa and grew up playing rugby in Australia, signed with the Las Vegas Raiders as an undrafted free agent following the 2025 NFL Draft. He spent time on the practice squad with the Raiders, and after signing futures contract back in January, he was waived on July 27.

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championships in her first season in Tallahassee. In her final collegiate season, Hudson rewrote the record book once again, breaking her own single-season mark with 644 digs while earning her second consecutive SWAC Libero of the Year honor. A native of Houston, Texas, Hudson earned a bachelor’s degree in interdisciplinary studies with a concentration in political science in 2023 and completed her Master of Public Administration in the fall of 2024.

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The 2026 season tickets are now on sale. Season tickets start at \$75 plus fees with general admission chairback and floor seating options available. If you are interested in Libero Row floor seating, please contact the Memphis Athletic Fund at maf@memphis.edu for more information. For complete information on Memphis Tigers Volleyball, visit www.GoTigersGo.com and follow the team's social media channels on Twitter, Instagram and

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