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**Jerry Seinfeld**

The iconic comedian continues his residency with "The Homestead Extended." 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$195, Beacon Theatre, 2124 Broadway, beacontheatre.com

**Steven Keslowitz**

The team behind the AMC hit "Better Call Saul" gives a look into Saul Goodman's character with "Why You Better Call Saul." 7 p.m., FREE, B&N, 150 E. 86th St., bn.com

## TODAY ON TV

9 P.M.

**Scandal**

(ABC/7) Season premiere: It's the 100th day of Mellie's (Bellamy Young) presidency and Olivia (Kerry Washington) faces a tough call.

**Will & Grace**

(NBC/4) Will (Eric McCormack) and Jack (Sean Hayes) try to date younger guys.

## Q&amp;A with KYRA SEDGWICK

## Raising the bar higher

Back on TV after five years away

BY VERNE GAY

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After ending a seven-year, Emmy-winning run on "The Closer" in 2012, Kyra Sedgwick has finally returned to prime-time TV.

On ABC's "Ten Days in the Valley," she plays a Type double-A TV producer and writer Jane Sadler, hooked on booze, coke and whatever else gets her through the night. She's a single mom — smart and accomplished but also deeply flawed — and one night her only child is snatched from under her nose. So now has a mission: Find her child while fighting off her demons.

**Five years is long time to be gone from prime time.**

I'm gonna be perfectly honest: I haven't been flooded with offers. Yeah, I could give you the usual 'I've been looking for the right thing,' etcetera, but the truth is, I haven't been flooded with offers. Yes, the idea of doing TV was scary to me for a few years because I was like, 'I'm never going to have a situation as great as ["The



ABC / PAUL SARKIS

Kyra Sedgwick's new series is "Ten Days in the Valley."

Closer']. . . The show was so beloved and was getting nominated every year and it felt like a lot to live up to.

**Do you like working in TV or were you looking more for movie roles?**

I love working in television because it affords you episode after episode to explore character. In a film, you have an hour and a half, two hours, to show everybody a human being.

**I thought this was the greatest of TV times for top female actors, thanks partly**ON  
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"Ten Days in the Valley" airs Sundays at 10 p.m. on ABC/7.

**to the bar you helped raise. What gives?**

There are not a lot of great parts. Even though time and again we proved we can make money and get eyes to watch, they make more shows that are male-dominated, or male-cast. [Time Warner chief] Jeff Bewkes once told me, if only other shows were making as much as "The Closer" was for this company then we'd all be doing our jobs right. . . . The people who are sitting in those decision-making rooms are mostly men.

**Tell me about Jane — she certainly is complex.**

I find her authentic and real. Most of us reach for something — an Adderall, booze, TV, food, shopping, whatever — to try to take the edge off the anxiety and pressure. And she is under a lot of pressure. . . . People also wonder whether she's a good mother, but we never ask whether someone is a 'good father,' or if he's 'flawed' or 'not likable.' That kind of shaming and categorizing is left for women.

## CHEAP\$KATE

BY ROZANNE GELBINOVICH

This week's best FREE events in NYC



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**Summer on the Hudson: Little Red Lighthouse Festival**

In the shadow of the George Washington Bridge stands the small but bright Little Red Lighthouse, the only one remaining in Manhattan. Enjoy a day outdoors with the family as you celebrate this city landmark with fishing clinics, live music, food vendors, family-friendly activities, lighthouse tours led by the NYC Urban Park Rangers, readings of the children's book "The Little Red Lighthouse and the Great Gray Bridge" and more.

Saturday, noon-4 p.m., FREE, Little Red Lighthouse, Fort Washington Park, West 181st Street and Plaza Lafayette, nycgovparks.org

**Film****Movies Under the Stars: Shocktober Fest: 'Carrie'**

Halloween is just around the corner so it's time to bring on "Shocktober Fest." Prepare to be scared at this FREE screening of "Carrie." The horror classic, based on Stephen King's first novel,

stars Sissy Spacek as a bullied high schooler who looks to enact her revenge in truly spooky — or should we say shocking — fashion.

Sunday, 7:15-9:40 p.m., FREE, McCarren Park, North 12th Street to Lorimer Street btwn. Bedford & Driggs avenues, 718-965-8942, nycgovparks.org

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