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Alluring audiences with emotionally tinged performances has been the signature of Angela Bassett, who personifies a sense of dignity and pride whenever she appears on screen. Her talent and abilities as an actress and executive producer in both television and film have time and time again earned the respect and acclaim from her peers and fans, proving her to be one of the industry's premier leading ladies. She is perhaps best known for her intense portrayal of Tina Turner in the biopic *What's Love Got to Do with It*, for which she earned a Golden Globe for Best Actress in a Drama, an NAACP Image Award for Outstanding Lead Actress in a Motion Picture, and an Academy Award nomination for her powerful performance. She has also starred in *How Stella Got Her Groove Back*, *Waiting to Exhale*, *Malcolm X*, and the television movie *The Rosa Parks Story*, among numerous others.

In 2011 Bassett starred opposite Samuel L. Jackson in the Broadway premiere of Katori Hall's Olivier Award-winning play "Mountaintop," a gripping reimagining of events the night before the assassination of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

She had a recurring role since 2013 on the FX horror series *American Horror Story: Coven*, and was nominated for a Primetime Emmy Award for Outstanding Supporting Actress in a Miniseries or a Movie for her performance as Voodoo queen Marie Laveau. She returned for *Freak Show*, *Hotel* and *Roanoke*, the anthology serie...

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