

Lifetime

GIVING HOPE: THE NI'COLA MITCHELL STORY
STARS TATYANA ALI, NADINE WHITEMAN RODEN,
MIKALAH REID-BECKETTE AND KUDAKWASHE RUTENDO
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On Easter Sunday, April 9, **Tatyana Ali** (*Fresh Prince of Bel Air*) stars in the biopic ***Giving Hope: The Ni'Cola Mitchell Story***, premiering April 9 at 8pm ET/PT on Lifetime, telling the inspirational story of Mitchell who created the influential Black youth program Girls Who Brunch.

Tatyana Ali stars in ***Giving Hope: The Ni'Cola Mitchell Story***, the emotional true story of best-selling author and inspirational speaker Ni'Cola Mitchell, who after experiencing sexual violence as a young girl, founded an organization dedicated to saving at risk girls from abuse and exploitation.

Ni'Cola Mitchell (Tatyana Ali), successful author, publisher and speaker, realizes at a book signing that her calling is to help disadvantaged girls. Ni'Cola understands what it is like to overcome huge hurdles in life including a difficult childhood and a cancer diagnosis, and after putting her own writing career on hold, she launches Girls Who Brunch, events designed to make young women feel seen and empowered. With the support of her sister Nene (Nadine Whiteman Roden) and daughters Diamond (Kudakwashe Rutendo) and Destani (Mikalah Reid-Beckette), she pours everything she has into the organization, including her own money and mobilizes volunteers, coaches and community leaders to help host events. Ni'Cola is named A Woman of Worth by L'Oréal and sponsorship opportunities begin to come in, helping Girls Who Brunch expand nationally and travel to dozens of cities across the country, reaching tens of thousands of girls in the process.

Giving Hope: The Ni'Cola Mitchell Story is produced by Champlin Media. Executive producers are Barbara Fisher, Tom Berry, Suzanne Chapman and Ni'Cola Mitchell. Producers are Adam Gowland, Jordana Aarons and Cassandra Keenan. Alpha Nicky directs from a script written by Adam Rockoff.