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“She arrived in Asia not just as a former First Lady and senator, or the wife of Bill Clinton and a woman who had reinvented herself over the years. She now came in a new, even bigger role: as America’s chief diplomat, the emissary of Barack Obama, the new, promising face of America.”

—Kim Ghattas

Tuesday, March 5

**POWER TRIP** Finally, a way to fill the Texts From Hillary void: *The Secretary: A Journey With Hillary Clinton From Beirut to the Heart of American Power*, by BBC correspondent Kim Ghattas, who had four years of unfettered access to the venerated former secretary of state.

Tuesday, March 5

**MAKERS: THE WOMEN WHO MAKE AMERICA** Tonight at New York’s 92nd Street Y, Gloria Steinem, author Amy Richards, and producer Dyllan McGee discuss the new PBS documentary celebrating women who run the world.

Tuesday, March 12

**ISLES** The debut album from Chicago-based duo Wild Belle combines husky female vocals with reggae-flavored grooves for an unorthodox (yet totally danceable) pop album. **Download now:** “Another Girl,” a hip-swivelling single-lady anthem.



Saturday, March 16-Sunday, March 17

**C2C: Country to Country** Tim McGraw, LeAnn Rimes, and Carrie Underwood headline London’s newest country-music festival. [axs.com/c2c](http://axs.com/c2c)

Friday, March 29

HAPPY 32<sup>ND</sup> BIRTHDAY, JESSICA CHASTAIN



Thursday, March 7

**CHARACTER STUDY** To get ready to portray Texas’ fiery former governor Ann Richards in the one-woman play *Ann*, opening tonight in NYC, star and scribe Holland Taylor spent four years researching the indomitable Democrat and gay rights champion.



Friday, March 8

**WIZ KIDS** James Franco costars alongside Michelle Williams, Mila Kunis, and Rachel Weisz in Disney’s *Oz: The Great and Powerful*, a retina overload of fantastical CGI effects that tells the story of a small-time Kansas magician who gets swept away to the merry old land of, well, you know.

Monday, March 18, 10 P.M. EST

**MOMMY DEAREST** Until *American Horror Story* returns this fall, feed your craving for TV terror with *Bates Motel*, A&E’s chilling 10-part prequel to the classic *Psycho* that finally explains how Norman Bates (played here by Freddie Highmore) goes from angsty adolescent to disturbed innkeeper, and how his mother, Norma (Vera Farmiga), ends up a skeleton.



Saturday, March 23

**HEROES WORSHIP** Geek out over 300 items from glam rocker David Bowie’s personal archive—including costumes spanning his five-decade career (such as this Union Jack coat, which he codesigned with Alexander McQueen)—at the Gucci-sponsored *David Bowie Is*, opening today at London’s Victoria and Albert Museum. [www.vam.ac.uk](http://www.vam.ac.uk)

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