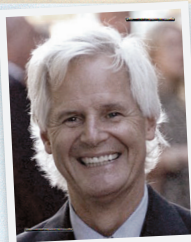


The return of The X-Files

Conspiracy theorists and sci-fi fans are eagerly awaiting a new season of *The X-Files*. Filmed in Vancouver over summer 2015, it airs in six episodes from January 2016 – 14 years after the show was axed

THE X-FILES



Name: Fox Mulder (52)
Occupation: FBI Agent
Actor: David Duchovny

Name: Dana Scully (50)
Occupation: FBI Agent
Actor: Gillian Anderson

■ **Original show:** Mulder and Scully pitted against shady *Syndicate* operating global conspiracy – called *The Project* – to help aliens colonise Earth

Average U.S. viewers per season (number of episodes)

One	(24)	7.1m
Two	(25)	14.5m
Three	(24)	15.4m
Four	(24)	19.2m
Five	(20)	19.8m
Six	(22)	17.2m
Seven	(22)	14.2m
Eight	(21)	13.9m
Nine	(20)	9.1m

Name: Chris Carter (57)
Occupation: Writer, producer, director.
 Commissioned in 1992 by 20th Century Fox to develop three new TV shows, he hit gold with his first attempt, *The X-Files* (1993). It ran for nine years and spawned two movies – *The X-Files: Fight the Future* (1998) and *The X-Files: I Want to Believe* (2008)

■ **Jan 24, 2016:** New six-part mini-series finds Mulder and Scully investigating more aliens

Fan favourites returning:

Walter Skinner (Assistant Director, FBI)
Cigarette Smoking Man (Syndicate operative)
Deep Throat (Syndicate informer)
The Lone Gunmen (conspiracy theorists, government watchdogs and computer hackers)

