



TENDERLOIN
Multi-Camera Sitcom
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Can a heterosexual, MAGA hat-wearing drag queen, and his politically-ambitious, flaming liberal, estranged gay younger brother put aside their personal and political differences to save San Francisco's homeless community center from destruction? It's a bloodbath in high heels when this much-decorated, ex-Marine in pumps and his ultra-liberal queer kid brother clash. A satire of both the right and the left, TENDERLOIN also exposes the inherent injustice in the way America treats the least among us.

PILOT STORY

Tenderloin House is a former grand hotel that takes up an entire San Francisco city block. It's run by CHAMPAGNE BRADSHAW, known as "Champ," a drag queen who came of age in the early 2000s. Thrown out by conservative Nob Hill parents, Champ joined the Marines at sixteen (the only lie he's ever told). Although decorated for bravery during a combat, Champ was unable to save his best friend, and overwhelmed by guilt, he left the military, refused his benefits, and wound up one of many homeless vets suffering from PTSD. Champ's life was saved by Tenderloin House, and he eventually worked his way up into the director position. It's all he's ever known that hasn't been suppressed.

Although he left his conservative parents behind, their influence remains. Champ makes no bones about his disdain for people of color, homosexuals, or women who can't pull their weight. His is an equal-opportunity prejudice. He thinks "tough love" is for weaklings. His love is brutal. He is by no means well-liked at the House or by anyone in the city government. He is, however, great at his job and knows what the people he serves need. He gets no thanks for this.

The person in city government who perhaps hates him the most is his younger brother HOMER BRADSHAW. Homer, who is gay but clever enough to hide it until their Nob Hill parents had paid for his college education, is a recently disgraced City Council member who just barely escaped jail through the mercy and goodwill of his connections. Homer bribed an admissions officer to admit his daughter to the best prep school in the Bay Area. In exchange for jail time, Homer has been sentenced to public service at Tenderloin House under the supervision of his estranged brother, who has never forgiven him for being a complete and total liar when push came to shove.
